

**QUESTIONS**

**Day 1: Read Commentary Notes**

1. What did you gain from reading the Commentary Notes?
  
2. How did listening to the lecture help you understand last week's lesson better?

**Day 2: Read Revelation 6** [\[Open NIV\]](#) [\[Open NKJV\]](#)

(Note: Henry Morris writes in *The Revelation Record*: “The time of singing has finally ceased, for the hour of judgment has come. The Lamb has received the earth’s title deed and now must begin to take possession of His kingdom. The scroll whose writing is within had been rolled and sealed with seven seals. Before the great claim can be verified officially, the seals must be broken and the writing openly displayed. The opening of the seals coincides with the judgments on the earth. As each successive seal is broken, the wrath of God takes successive toll on the earth and its inhabitants. Thus begins a seven year period of the most severe trouble the world will ever know.”)

3. Describe what John saw/heard after the Lamb opened the 1st seal in verses 1 and 2.
  
4. Describe what John saw/heard after the Lamb opened the 2nd seal in verses 3 and 4.
  
5. Describe what John saw/heard after the Lamb opened the 3rd seal in verses 5 and 6.
  
6. Describe what John saw/heard after the Lamb opened the 4th seal in verses 7 and 8.
  
7. Describe what John saw/heard after the Lamb opened the 5th seal in verses 9-11.
  
8. Describe what John saw/heard after the Lamb opened the 6th seal in verses 12-17. (Note: Much more will be explained in your group discussion, Commentary Notes, and lecture. For now, be satisfied with the revelation of what John saw/heard as recorded in Revelation 6.)

**Day 3: Read Revelation 7, 2 Corinthians 1:22, Ephesians 1:13, Ephesians 4:30, Psalm 51:2-7, Isaiah 1:18, Hebrews 9:14** [\[Open NIV\]](#) [\[Open NKJV\]](#)

(Note: Revelation 7 is a parenthetical between the six seals mentioned in chapter 6 and the final seventh seal opening mentioned in chapter 8.)

9. In verses 1-8, summarize what John saw. How many people were sealed by God's angel and who were these people?

10. What do you learn about God sealing people in the following cross references?

2 Corinthians 1:22 –

Ephesians 1:13 –

Ephesians 4:30 –

11. Summarize what John saw/heard in verses 9-14. (Note: Pay close attention to what one of the elders told John in verse 14 about the multitudes of people.)

12. Write down something you learn about God's washing of His people from the following cross references.

Psalm 51:2 & 7 –

Isaiah 1:18 –

Hebrews 9:14 –

13. Using verses 15-17, describe what eternity will be like for those washed in the blood of the Lamb?

**Day 4: Read Revelation 8:1-5, Psalm 37:7, Psalm 46:10, Zechariah 2:13** [\[Open NIV\]](#) [\[Open NKJV\]](#)

14. What happened immediately after the Lamb opened the 7th seal? Why is this significant?

15. Why is it important to be still or silent before God, using the following cross references?

Psalm 37:7 –

Psalm 46:10 –

Zechariah 2:13 –

16. **Personal Question:** How might you benefit from more quiet time before God?
17. After the ½ hour of silence, what did John see/hear recorded in verses 2-5?
18. **Thought Question:** What might the “prayers of the saints” mentioned in verse 4 represent? (Note: The burning of incense was a picture of intercession and prayer. The fragrance of incense had symbolic importance to Jewish worshippers. Remember not to be consumed with the symbol, but by what the symbol represents.)

**Day 5: Read Revelation 8:6-8:13** [\[Open NIV\]](#) [\[Open NKJV\]](#)

(Note: Henry Morris writes about verse 6, “The angels had apparently been waiting in readiness with their trumpets for half an hour, as John had watched. But suddenly there was activity. They prepared themselves. The sound of their trumpets would not be an uncertain sound. No doubt, these angels had been waiting for this particular ministry for a long time. The sounding of their trumpets would signal into action a vast host of heaven to set about the task of purging and purifying the earth.”)

19. Write down what John saw/heard at the sounding of the first 4 trumpets:

1st Trumpet: Revelation 8:7 –

2nd Trumpet: Revelation 8:8-9 –

3rd Trumpet: Revelation 8:10-11 –

4th Trumpet: Revelation 8:12-13 –

20. What is similar in each of the first 4 trumpet blasts?
21. What is implied by the eagle’s warning in v. 13?

**Day 6: Read Revelation 9, Isaiah 14:12-15, Luke 10:18** [\[Open NIV\]](#) [\[Open NKJV\]](#)

(Note: Revelation scholar, Dr. Wilbur M. Smith, wrote: “It is probable that, apart from the exact identification of Babylon in Revelation 17 and 18, the meaning of the two judgments in this chapter (9) represents the most difficult major problem in the Revelation.” God uses two frightening armies to exact his judgment on the earth in Revelation 9. John MacArthur states, “Each of the first four trumpet judgements affect the physical universe in some way, but with the sounding of the fifth trumpet the focus will shift from the physical to the spiritual realm.”

22. Who did John see in verse 1 and who was it, according to Isaiah 14:12-15 and Luke 10:18?

23. The word “abyss” is Greek for “pit” and is used 8 times in the Book of Revelation. This is the abode of demons, the place where Satan is temporarily “jailed.” The “abyss” is not to be confused with the “lake of fire,” which is Satan's final destiny. From Revelation 1:18 and Matthew 28:18, who gave Satan permission (the key) to open the abyss and unleash these terrible events?

24. Who is in control of all that is taking place in Revelation 9, as revealed in verses 4, 5, 13-15?

25. **Personal Question:** Does the fact God is in control of these judgment events comfort you or trouble you? Explain your answer.

26. Summarize what John saw/heard in verses 13-21 after the 6th trumpet blast.

27. What is revealed about the human heart in verses 20 and 21?

28. **Personal Question:** What do you learn about God’s justice and God’s grace from chapter 9? How will you respond?