

Lesson 13 – Revelation 6:1-17
The _____ of the Tribulation – Part 2

1. The Fifth Seal (v9-11): The Souls under the Altar.

a. Who are they?

1) Those who get _____ and are _____ because of their faith during the _____ of the tribulation.

2) Three Options:

a) Option 1: Based on Rev 7:9, any _____ or _____ left behind who puts his/her faith in Christ.

b) Option 2: Based on Rom 11:25, only _____ who put their faith in Christ.

c) Option 3: Based on 2 Thes 2:10-12, any _____ or _____ left behind who had not previously _____ the truth and who now puts his/her faith in Christ.

3) “Martyrdom in those days will be as common as it is uncommon today. ... Those who trust in Christ in that day will be forced to stand the acid test of being faithful even unto death” (Walvoord, p134).

a) **Read** Matt 10:28-33, 10:38-39, and 16:24-26.

b) **Read** John 12:24-26.

b. Why are they under the altar? See Ex 29:12 and Lev 4:7.

c. What do they want?

1) They want _____.

a) At least they _____ and _____ who is the One responsible for seeking and obtaining vengeance for their deaths – Rom 12:19.

b) According to Gen 4:10, all _____ cries out to God for _____, so that means that the blood of every unborn child _____ in the womb of its mother is crying out to God for _____.

2) They want to know why God is _____ in His _____ of their persecutors. Two reasons for His _____ can be surmised from the reply given in verse 11:

a) He is _____ because their persecutors are serving His _____ of giving those left behind a _____ to make.

- b) He is _____ because even now His grace, love, and compassion is _____ – v11 and 2 Pet 3:9.
- d. What do they get instead?
- 1) _____, which is a beautiful picture of _____ – see Matt 22:1-14.
 - 2) _____, which is the literal fulfillment of the _____ recorded in Matt 11:28-29.
 - 3) _____, that _____ would be done and _____ would be punished.

2. The Sixth Seal (v12-17):

- a. The opening of the sixth seal marks the beginning of the _____ of the God.
- 1) v12: The sun becoming black happened once before. When and why did it happen the first time? See Luke 23:44-45.
 - 2) v14: The first heaven (the _____) and second heaven (_____) rolled back to expose the source of this and future judgments as being the third heaven (i.e., the _____ room of _____).
 - 3) “The judgments of war, famine, and death, and the martyrdom of the saints have largely originated in _____ decision and in the evil heart of _____. The judgment described here, however, originates in _____ as a divine punishment inflicted upon a blasphemous world” (Walvoord, p136).
- b. Three Characteristics of God’s _____:
- 1) It will be _____ in its nature (v12-14).
 - 2) It will affect _____ men _____ (v15).
 - a) _____ and _____ will be the theme of the day.
 - b) Notice that not many _____ men got through the _____ of the _____.
 - 3) It will be _____ by _____ means (v16).

3. Conclusion: What is the answer to the profound question asked in verse 17?

- a. *Read* Matt 21:44.
- b. *Read* Ps 34:18 and 51:17.