

Outline – October 18, 2020
Revelation 1:19-20
What's Next: The Four Horsemen
Revelation 6:1-8

So What's Next?

Will Things Improve? Will Things Get Better? The Bible Gives The Answer

I. Why God gives us His prophetic word

- A. God does not want His people to be ignorant of what He is doing
- B. God doesn't want us in the dark
- C. To demonstrate that He alone has the power to consistently predict the future
- D. To warn us of what is to come
- E. To help people prepare their hearts, homes, family and faith
- F. To have hope
- G. To be watchful, to warn, to wait with anticipation
 - 1. Jesus gives warning in Matthew 24
 - 2. John gives (same) warning in the book of Revelation
 - 3. Both give a coming series of events

II. Why things will get worse (initially)

- A. The world is being prepared for one world leader
- B. One world government
- C. One world ecosystem
- D. One world religious system

III. The Apostle John declares the approaching hoof beats that are riding on the horizon of world history

- A. 1st rider – white horse
 - 1. Deception
 - 2. Deceiving the world
 - 3. Bringing doubt, disobedience, division and denial of God
 - 4. Devotion to ungodliness and to Antichrist
- B. 2nd rider – red horse
 - 1. Takes away peace
 - 2. "Red" associates with terror and conflict
 - 3. Peace vanishes due to hate
 - a. Jesus said "Love will grow cold"
 - b. People will hate one another
 - c. Spills over into our families, churches and communities
 - d. Going national and international
 - 4. Jesus said "If He did not return no life will be saved"
 - a. Threat of nuclear outbreak

- C. 3rd horse – black horse
 - 1. Famine
 - 2. Hunger kills
 - 3. War, weather patterns, and depleting resources contribute to famine
 - 4. The exponential growth of human population
 - 5. Concern – can resources keep up
- D. 4th horse - pale (green) horse
 - 1. Death and hell riding along
 - 2. 25% of population destroyed – (2 billion people)
 - 3. War, hunger, pestilence, beasts

IV. The pattern and the point

- A. The pattern (Jesus gives)
 - 1. Deception
 - 2. War
 - 3. Famine
 - 4. Destruction
- B. The point
 - 1. This is real
 - 2. Things are headed this way (hoofbeats are approaching)
 - 3. Antichrist brings war, Jesus brings peace
Antichrist brings deception, Jesus brings truth
Antichrist brings famine, Jesus brings bread of life
Antichrist brings death, Jesus brings life
 - 4. We have a choice to make

V. Things get better

- A. He returns to make all things new
- B. To be in His Kingdom
- C. He brings the promise of life and hope forever

**Let Us Be Aware Of Approaching Hoofbeats
Looking Up For Our Redemption Draws Near**