

The Silence of the Seventh Seal

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1. Intense Silence

Revelation 8:1

And when he had opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour.

1st Seal – White Horse of False Peace

2nd Seal – Red Horse of War

3rd Seal – Black Horse of Famine

4th Seal – Pale Horse of Death

5th Seal – Martyrs Cry Acknowledged

6th Seal – Mountains and Islands Moved; Sun Darkened; Blood Moon

Luke 1:9-10

According to the custom of the priest's office, his lot was to burn incense when he went into the temple of the Lord. ¹⁰ And the whole multitude of the people were praying without at the time of incense.

Hebrews 1:1-2

God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, ²Hath in these last days spoken unto us by *his* Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;

Psalms 2:5

Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath, and vex them in his sore displeasure.

2. Intense Sound

Revelation 8:2

And I saw the seven angels which stood before God; and to them were given seven trumpets.

These judgments were...predicted by Enoch:

Jude 1:14-15

And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints, ¹⁵To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard *speeches* which ungodly sinners have spoken against him.

These judgments were...anticipated by the Psalmist:

Psalms 96:13

Before the LORD: for he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth: he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with his truth.

These judgments were...substantiated by the Apostle Paul:

Acts 17:31

Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by *that* man whom he hath ordained; *whereof* he hath given assurance unto all *men*, in that he hath raised him from the dead.

Romans 1:18

For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness;

3. Ascending Prayers

Revelation 8:3-4

And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer *it* with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne. ⁴And the smoke of the incense, *which came* with the prayers of the saints, ascended up before God out of the angel's hand.

4. Descending Coals

Revelation 8:5-6

And the angel took the censer, and filled it with fire of the altar, and cast *it* into the earth: and there were voices, and thunderings, and lightnings, and an earthquake. ⁶And the seven angels which had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound.