IS THE COMING TRIBULATION PERIOD REALLY THAT BAD? (Revelation 6)

I. THE HAPPENINGS IN HEAVEN. (Revelation 4 & 5)

II. THE TRIBULATION ON EARTH. (Revelation 6)

A. An INTRODUCTION to the Tribulation.

* What are some words and references for this period of time?

1. Its *beginning* starts with the signing of a ______ by the Anti-Christ and Israel. (Daniel 9:27)

* How does this relate to the Rapture?

2. It's *duration* is for ______ years. (Daniel 9:24-27)

3. It's *purpose* centers in...

- a. chastening and redeeming _____. (Jeremiah 30:7-11)
- b. judging the unbelieving ______. (Isaiah 26:20-21)
- c. evicting and reclaiming the ______by Jesus Christ. (Revelation 5)

B. The SIX SEALS of the Tribulation. (Revelation 6)

- * It is important to note that it is ______ who is the opener or breaker of the 7 seals (6:1), and that this transpires during the first ______ of the Tribulation.
- 1. Seal #1: There will be initially temporary _____. (6:2)
 - * Who is the rider of this horse?
 - * What is missing from his battle array?
- 2. Seal #2: This will be followed by open _____. (6:34)
 - * What is symbolic of war?

3. Seal #3: There will be economic ______ and _____. (6:5-6)

* What percentage of the normal food supply will be available?

4. Seal #4: There will be widespread _____. (6:7-8)

* What follows death? Why?

* How much of the world dies at this point of the Tribulation? How much later?

* Is this the wrath of man, Satan, or God?

5. Seal #5: There will be numerous _____. (6:9-11)

- * Who are these martyrs?
- * Why did they die?
- * What do they long for?
- * How is their request answered?

6. Seal #6: There will be _____. (6:12-14)

- * How are these events different than the previous ones?
- * What are the reactions of the earth-dwellers after all of this occurs?
- * How does this relate to Matthew 24:3-14?

C. Some INITIAL CONCLUSIONS About the Tribulation.

- 1. The One who is sovereign and in control of all this is ______.
- 3. The grace of God is manifested during the Tribulation through numerous people being ______ during the Tribulation, along with the Church being ______ before it begins.
 - * How does this apply to you?