## The Seven Seals

1	White horse and rider	Symbolises conquest and empires	Carries a crown	Do the first five represent events that have happened, are happening or will happen?
2	Red horse and rider	Symbolises war and the end of peace	Carries a sword	Are these an image of the Tribulation?
3	Black horse and rider	Symbolises famine and suffering Maybe injustice?	Carries scales	How might these images give HOPE to the readers?
4	Pale horse and rider	Symbolises death by war, plague, famine and wild animals	Hades follows him. Takes 1/4 of world	Is this happening in the world today?
5	Souls of martyrs	Symbolises those who have died for Jesus as a result of suffering	Given white robes. They wait patiently for justice	
6	Massive natural turmoil. 144000 The Multitude	Earth and worldly systems in turmoil.	Faithful Jews and the Church are rescued	
7	Silence Trumpets Golden censer	Silence may represent the idea that no one is worthy	The trumpets herald the next phase. God is at work on Earth	

#### Revelation 6:12-17

I watched as he opened the sixth seal. There was a great earthquake. The sun turned black like sackcloth made of goat hair, the whole moon turned blood red, and the stars in the sky fell to earth, as figs drop from a fig tree when shaken by a strong wind. The heavens receded like a scroll being rolled up, and every mountain and island was removed from its place.

Then the kings of the earth, the princes, the generals, the rich, the mighty, and everyone else, both slave and free, hid in caves and among the rocks of the mountains. They called to the mountains and the rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb! For the great day of their wrath has come, and who can withstand it?"

#### 2 Peter 3:10—13

But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything done in it will be laid bare.

Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives as you look forward to the day of God and speed its coming. That day will bring about the destruction of the heavens by fire, and the elements will melt in the heat. But in keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, where righteousness dwells.

# The Sixth Seal

What happens when the sixth Seal is broken?
Compare the passages. What event is being described?

### Matthew 24:29-31

"Immediately after the distress of those days

"the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from the sky, and the heavenly bodies will be shaken."

"Then will appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven. And then all the peoples of the earth will mourn when they see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven, with power and great glory. And he will send his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of the heavens to the other.