

RACING TOWARD JUDGMENT

I. A unique time of trouble

A. Jer. 30:7

B. Dan. 12:1

C. Matt. 24:21

II. Three series of judgments

A. The seven **seal** judgments Rev. 6; 8:1

B. The seven **trumpet** judgments Rev. 8; 9; 11:15

C. The seven **vial** or bowl judgments Rev. 16.

D. Length of the tribulation – 7 yrs Dan. 9:27;

E. Great Tribulation 3 ½ yrs. Matt. 24:21, 22; 1,260 days Rev. 12:6, 14;
a short time Rev.12:12; 42 months Rev. 11:2; 13:5

III. Grace in the midst of judgment

A. Rev. 7:14 people saved

B. Matt. 24:37-41 Noah found grace and went through the judgment

JUDGMENTS DURING THE TRIBULATION

SEALS

First Seal: **Antichrist** goes forth to conqueror riding on a **white horse**. (6:1-2)

Second Seal: A rider on a **red horse** brings **war**. (6:3-4)

Third Seal: A rider on a **black horse** brings **famine**. (6:5-6)

Fourth Seal: A rider on a **pale horse** brings **death and hell**. (6:7-8)

Fifth Seal: The souls of the **martyrs** "under the altar" cry out for vengeance. (6:9-11)

Sixth Seal: **Earthquake, sun is darkened, moon becomes as blood, stars fall to earth** (6:12-17)

Seventh Seal: **½ hour silence; begins another series of 7 Trumpet Judgments** (8:1-5)

TRUMPETS

First Trumpet: **Hail, fire mingled with blood** destroy a third of the trees and grass. (8:6-7)

Second Trumpet: **A third of oceans become blood, third of sea creatures die, third of ships are destroyed**. (8:8-9)

Third Trumpet: **Fiery star called Wormwood** hits **third of the rivers/springs are poisoned and many die** (8:10-11)

Fourth Trumpet: **Sun, moon, and stars are smitten** and a **third part of daylight is darkened**. (8:12-13)

Fifth Trumpet: demons from bottomless pit power **locusts torment for five months men who will not be able to die**. (9:1-12)

Sixth Trumpet: **An army of 200 million kills a third of Earth's population**. (9:13-21)

Seventh Trumpet: After 7th Trumpet sounds (Rev.11:15-19) angels begin to pour out **7 Viol (bowl) Judgments** (Rev.15:1-8)

VIALS

First Vial: A "**foul and loathsome sore**" afflicts the followers of the beast. (16:1-2)

Second Vial: The **sea turns to blood** and **everything within it dies**. (16:3)

Third Vial: **All fresh water turns to blood**. (16:4-7)

Fourth Vial: The **sun scorches the men with fire** and **intense heat**. (16:8-9)

Fifth Vial: There is **total darkness and great pain** in the Beast's kingdom. (16:10-11)

Sixth Vial: **Euphrates River dries up** making way for **kings of the east to join whole earth for Armageddon**. (16:12-16)

Seventh Vial: **A great earthquake** destroying every island and mountain and **hail upon men**(16:17-21)