

COVID-19 & The 4th Seal - Video Sharing

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Text

Rev 4:7 *And the first beast was like a lion, and the second beast like a calf, and the third beast had a face as a man, and the fourth beast was like a flying eagle.*

Rev 6:7 *And when he had opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth beast say, Come and see.*

Rev 6:8 *And I looked and behold a pale horse: and his name that sat on him was Death, and Hell followed with him. And power was given unto them over the fourth part of the earth, to kill with sword, and with hunger, and with death, and with the beasts of the earth.*

I. Yahshua on the 4 Horses of Revelation 6:1-8

Mat 24:4 *And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you.*

Mat 24:5 *For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.*

Mat 24:6 *And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet.*

Mat 24:7 *For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.*

Mat 24:8 *All these are the beginning of sorrows.*

- a. **Horse #1 [white]: deception, including false Christs,**
 1. e.g. the Korean Cult leader, Mr Lee Man-hee of the Shincheonji Church of Jesus the Temple of the Tabernacle of the Testimony, which he founded in 1984, proclaimed himself as Jesus Christ who has returned to prepare and take to Heaven the 144,000 of the Book of Revelation.
 2. There are several others, including one in the Philippines who calls himself the son of god and lives luxuriously.
 3. Deceivers lead millions in mega-churches by teaching a false prosperity/hyper-faith gospel
- b. **Horse #2 [red]: Wars & ethnic conflict**
- c. **Horse #3 [black]: famine & great inflation**
- d. **Horse #4 [pale]: Pestilences**

II. Question

Is COVID-19 linked to the 4th horse of the Book of Revelation?

III. Pale Horse

TLB: Rev 6:8 *Behold, I saw a horse, pale greenish gray. The name of the one riding on it was Death, and Sheol was following with him. Authority was given to*

them over a fourth of the earth, to kill by sword and by famine and by plague and by the wild beasts of the earth.

"The Phillips translation renders chlooros as "sickly green in color"; the New English and the Revised English Bibles, as "sickly pale"; the New Jerusalem Bible, as "deathly pale"; and the New Living Translation, as "pale green like a corpse.""
[The Four Horsemen (Part Five): The Pale Horse by Richard T. Ritenbaugh]

Note: corpses, especially of those who die of the plague, have a pale greenish color.

IV. Death: Greek 'Thanatos'

'In several places, the Septuagint translators rendered the Hebrew word deber, meaning "pestilence" or "disease," as thánatos. For instance, in Exodus 5:3, Moses and Aaron tell Pharaoh, "Please let us go three days' journey into the desert and sacrifice to the Lord our God, lest He fall upon us with pestilence [Hebrew deber; Greek thánatos] or with the sword.'" [The Four Horsemen (Part Five): The Pale Horse by Richard T. Ritenbaugh]

Note: Sheol [Hades] followed.

V. One Quarter of the World Affected

- a. Of the current world population of 7.7 billion, this means 1.9 billion will be affected.
- b. Already COVID-19 has infected 1,537,954 worldwide with 90,000 deaths [9 April 2020]
- c. Certainly, at the rate it is spreading, COVID-19 has the potential to afflict 1.9 billion of the world's population

VI. Hunger

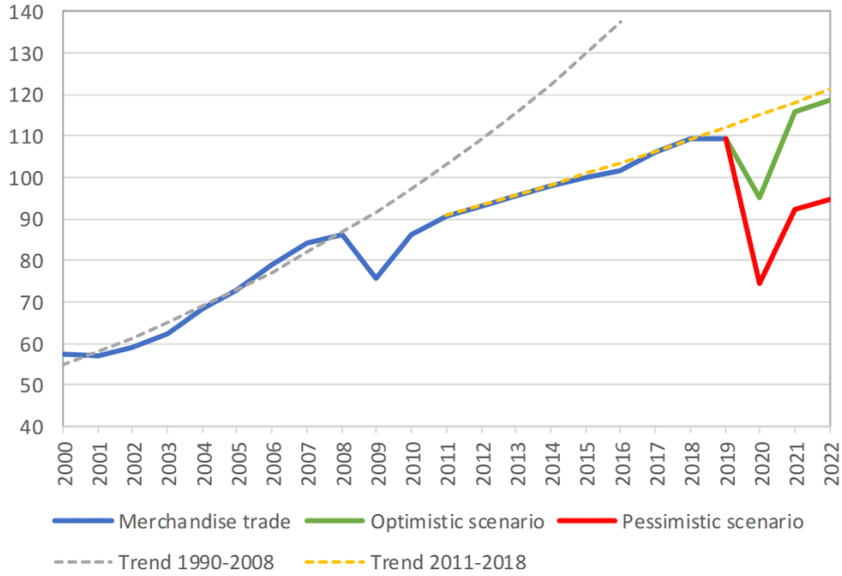
- a. Daily reports suggest that the poor, especially in densely populated countries like India, are impacted greatly by loss of jobs, proper shelter and lack of food.
- b. Food supply chains are being disrupted by the lockdowns: shortages will arise and prices will rise, causing further problems for the poor.
- c. Massive unemployment will lead to soup kitchens and bread lines and utter misery

VII. The Sword

- a. **Will competition for health equipment supplies and food lead to war?**
- b. **President Trump has angered China with all kinds of accusations about its responsibility for not stopping the spread of COVID-19**
- c. **He has also ordered American firms producing in China and elsewhere to ship medical supplies to the US instead of other countries. Leaders of other countries are very upset. Watch for retaliation.**
- d. **Countries across the world are in recession and the prospect is of a deep and long recession, perhaps slipping into another Great Depression.**



e. Economic difficulties will lead to protectionism: tariffs and quotas on imports and quotas/banning of exports.



VIII. Wild Beasts

Interestingly, there have been several reports of wild animals and rats roaming the cities that are emptied by lockdowns and restrictions on assembly and movement of people.

- a. Will these animals start attacking people soon?
- b. Will the proliferation of wild animals lead to new pandemics like the plagues of old?

IX. The Fifth Seal

a. Persecution:

Rev 6:9 When the Lamb opened the fifth seal, I saw **under the altar the souls of those slaughtered for the sake of the word of God and for the witness they had.**

Rev 6:10 And they cried out with a loud voice, saying, “O Sovereign Master, holy and true, how long before You judge those who dwell on the earth and avenge our blood?”

Rev 6:11 Then a white robe was given to each of them, and they were told to rest a little while longer, until the number of their fellow servants was complete—their brothers and sisters who were to be killed as they had been.

b. This is exactly what Yahshua foretold:

Mat 24:8 But all these things are **only the beginning of birth pains.**

Mat 24:9 Then they will hand you over to persecution and will kill you. You will be hated by all the nations because of My name.

Mat 24:10 And then many will fall away and will betray one another and hate one other.

Mat 24:11 Many false prophets will arise and lead many astray.

Mat 24:12 Because lawlessness will multiply, the love of many will grow cold.

c. The 4 Horses of the Book of Revelation precede the 5th Seal, which is terrible persecution.