

COVID-19: Are We Nearing the Apocalypse?



Dr. Rikki Lane, an emergency room doctor at the Elmhurst Hospital Center in Queens, New York, said, “Our hospital has never, ever seen anything like this.” According to an [NBC News article](#) co-written by Daniella Silva and Jareem Imam on March 26, 2020, Lane said that the emergency department has been “overwhelmed” for about three weeks. Again, according to the

article, “Overfilled waiting rooms packed with people who are contagious. Patients waiting six hours to be seen. Others on stretchers waiting 50 to 60 hours for a bed. Doctors desperately trying to get more ventilators.”

If there is one good thing coming out of COVID-19, it is that [many Americans think God is sending a serious message with coronavirus](#). That is good. Americans need a “wake-up” call from God to get serious about living for Him, and not just for themselves. But are we on the verge of the end of this age as we know it?

An article by Omri Ron in the [Jerusalem Post](#) on March 26, 2020 was headlined, “Why do some Christians believe coronavirus is an apocalyptic prophecy?” The byline reads, “According to some in social media the coronavirus is part of the biblical prophecy of the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse.” The author proceeds to tell us that the book of Revelation “describes a series of catastrophic events which will ravage the world, some perpetrated by the titular Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse. Though the roles of these riders have multiple interpretations, they are often recognized as: War, Plague, Famine, and Death.”

For a variety of reasons, I do not believe we are in the time framework of the events described in Revelation chapters 6 to 18. But, in the words of the movie industry, perhaps God is giving us a “trailer” of how it may one day begin to look.

If you read through the Book of Revelation, there are some terrifying scenes. In [Revelation 6:7-8](#), the fourth seal of the scroll is broken by the Lamb, representing Jesus Christ, and a fourth rider rides forth on an ashen, or pale-colored horse:

⁷ When the Lamb broke the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature saying, “Come.” ⁸ I looked, and behold, an ashen horse; and he who sat on it had the name Death; and Hades was following with him. Authority was given to them over a fourth of the earth, to kill with sword and with famine and with pestilence and by the wild beasts of the earth.

What is stunning is to realize that in this breaking of a single seal, the fourth one, a full quarter of the world's population will die. Presently there are [7.8 billion people](#) living on planet Earth. That means that with one seal broken, nearly 2 billion people will die over a short period of time. That kind of carnage is utterly incomprehensible to the human mind.

I believe that will happen one day. But today is not that day. And as bad as COVID-19 is, it is not a Biblical plague. But one day the Biblical plagues will begin, as surely as the sun will rise tomorrow. Are you ready?

It is not by accident that the one who breaks the seals on this scroll is designated as "The Lamb." After all, it is He who died to pay for the sins of all humanity. If humanity collectively thumbs its nose at the Lamb, the Lamb has no choice but to begin to destroy the human rebels.

Mercy spurned is judgment earned.

Have you submitted to Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world ([John 1:29](#))?

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