

	7 Seals	7 Trumpets	Apocalyptic Interlude	7 Bowls	Apocalyptic Interlude
1	white horse (conquest = beastly kingdom in opposition to Christ) (6.1-2)	1/3 of the earth (inc. trees and grass) burned up from hail, fire, and blood (8.7)	(an apocalyptic vision of the church's spiritual conflict)	poured on the earth; sores on idolatrous humanity (16.2)	(an apocalyptic vision of God's judgment on Babylon/Rome/anti-Christ kingdom)
2	red horse (war – followers of the Lamb are slain) (6.3-4)	1/3 of the sea turned to blood (1/3 of creatures died and 1/3 of ships destroyed) by great mountain on fire (8.8-9)	<i>Spiritual warfare:</i> A great sign appeared: a woman and dragon and male child; war in heaven and the fall of Satan; wilderness and warfare between the woman and the dragon (12.1-17)	poured on the sea; every living thing in the sea dies (16.3)	<i>Anti-Christ kingdoms:</i> the global economic and religious alliance with Babylon will be conquered by the Lamb (17.1-18)
3	black horse (famine) (6.5-6)	1/3 of rivers and springs became wormwood by great falling star (named Wormwood) (8.10-11)		poured into rivers and streams, which are turned into blood (angel and altar rejoice) (16.4-7)	
4	pale horse (Death and Hades: sword, famine, pestilence, and wild beasts – 1/4 of the earth) (6.7-8)	1/3 of light in day and night is darkened (sun, moon, and stars) (8.12) 1 st eagle cries: “woe, woe, woe” to those who dwell on the earth (8.13)	<i>How the dragon makes war on the church:</i> deceptive rule and false worship of anti-Trinity (dragon, a beast from the sea, and a beast from the earth); anti-church (those sealed by the beast) (13.1-18)	poured on the sun; scorching heat; idolatrous humanity curses and refuses to repent and give God glory (16.8-9)	<i>Fall of Babylon and Wedding Feast of the Lamb:</i>
5	prayer of the martyrs under the altar (how long? wait) (6.9-11)	army from the bottomless pit led by Abaddon/Apollyon (smoke, locusts who torment but don't kill the unsealed for 5 months); 1 st Woe has passed (9.1-12)		poured on the throne of the beast; more cursing and refusal to repent (16.10-11)	announcement and execution of divine judgment; response to divine judgment (praise and lament) (18.1-19.10)
6	final judgment (day of wrath; earthquake and cosmic cataclysm); “fall on us and hide us, the day of wrath has come; who can stand?” (6.12-17)	Four angels from Euphrates released to kill 1/3 of mankind (cavalry 200 000 kill 1/3 of mankind with fire, smoke, and sulfur); remaining humanity does not repent of idolatry, murders, sorceries, sexual immorality, or thefts (9.13-21)	<i>The church's victory and God's Justice:</i> 144 000 on mt. Zion; final announcement and meting out of divine justice; seven angels with seven plagues; the Song of Moses and the Song of the Lamb; transition to seven bowls of God's wrath (14.1-15.8)	Euphrates is dried up to allow kings of East to cross; final attack from anti-Trinity (dragon, beast, and false prophet) in battle of Armageddon (16.12-14, 16)	<i>He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead:</i> Christ appears as divine judge and executes judgement (19.11-21)
Apocalyptic Interlude (further revelation of previous visions)	sealing and salvation of the 144 000 (word of comfort to the church experiencing tribulation: God's tabernacling presence) (7.1-17)	John commissioned to prophesy by the mighty angel, who gives him a little scroll (10.1-11); measuring the temple, altar, and people and the preaching (which torments), death, resurrection, and ascension of the two witnesses; 2 nd woe has passed (11.1-14)		exhortation to stay awake (16.15)	
7	silence; 7 angels given trumpets; prayers of the saints and the altar; “peals of thunder, rumblings, flashes of lightning, and an earthquake” (8.1-5)	Consummation: loud voices in heaven: “thy kingdom come!” – “there were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake, and heavy hail” (11.15-19)		Consummation: “It is finished!” – “and there were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, and a great earthquake”; Babylon destroyed; great hailstones; final response – cursing (16.17-21)	