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- **Revelation 6:8:** And I looked, and behold, a pale horse! And its rider's name was Death, and Hades followed him. And they were given authority over a fourth of the earth, to kill with sword and with famine and with pestilence and by wild beasts of the earth.

The expression to kill by wild beasts can refer to the following two periods of time:

1. The period of Rome during which many of its Emperors were aggressively hostile tyrants toward Christianity. These rulers of Rome appointed commanders of their armies to destroy Christianity from the land. During the period of Rome's ten most renowned Emperors who raged against those who proclaimed Christ as their King, churches were destroyed and those who held fast their faith were treated with the most inhuman persecution and brutal cruelty, that had never been seen on earth before Rome's rise to power or after its fall. By these ten historic Emperors many Christians were thrown into the Olympic area to be eaten by wild animals.
2. From this time, onward to the return of Christ. To be killed by wild beasts is one of the consequences of widespread war, pestilence, famine, and of natural disasters that leave masses of people severely crippled and injured and multitudes of dead bodies lying on the surface of the earth. During such vast devastation and destruction there is not enough doctors and medical staff to attend to the injured or enough people to bury the dead bodies and therefore hungry wild animals and birds naturally gather to eat them. During war, famine, and pestilence not only is the human population reduced, while wild animals increase, but also the food supply for man and animals is greatly diminished, and as a consequences wild animals and birds gather to eat the multitudes of bodies dying and dead lying on the earth. In Revelation chapter nineteen John (in a vision) sees Christ returning on a white horse as King of kings and Lord of lords (Rev. 19:12-16) to judge the nations and make war, after which John says:

- I saw an angel standing in the sun, and with a loud voice he called to all the birds that fly directly overhead, "Come, gather for the great supper of God, ¹⁸to eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and their riders, and the flesh of all men, free and slave, both small and great." (Rev. 19:17-18).
- The rest were slain by the sword that came from the mouth of him who was sitting on the horse, and all the birds were gorged with their flesh. (Rev. 19:21).

Nothing is better suited to produce pestilence and disease than multitudes of widespread unburied bodies of the dead, either by war, famine or by natural disasters. The widespread pollution and filth left after such devastation and destruction often kills more than the actual war, famine and disaster does. This would be especially true with chemical weapons of mass destruction we have today. Such a vast mass of decaying bodies would become a banquet for wild animals and birds since their natural food supply would be greatly diminished.

As the founder of Bible House of Grace, I would like to thank the many Christian scholars, commentators and theologians who have gone before me, and the many today, who have freely made available their works to enhance the knowledge of the Bible to all people worldwide. It is only with the help of these faithful writers that much of Bible House of Grace exists as it does today.
