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# **Four Judgments of God**

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## Four Judgments of God.

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The following verses speak of God's four judgments.

- **Revelation 6:1-8:** <sup>1</sup> Now I watched when the Lamb opened one of the seven seals, and I heard one of the four living creatures say with a voice like thunder, "Come!" <sup>2</sup> And I looked, and behold, a white horse! And its rider had a bow, and a crown was given to him, and he came out conquering, and to conquer. <sup>3</sup> When he opened the second seal, I heard the second living creature say, "Come!" <sup>4</sup> And out came another horse, bright red. Its rider was permitted to take peace from the earth, so that people should slay one another, and he was given a great sword. <sup>5</sup> When he opened the third seal, I heard the third living creature say, "Come!" And I looked, and behold, a black horse! And its rider had a pair of scales in his hand. <sup>6</sup> And I heard what seemed to be a voice in the midst of the four living creatures, saying, "A quart of wheat for a denarius, and three quarts of barley for a denarius, and do not harm the oil and wine!" <sup>7</sup> When he opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature say, "Come!" <sup>8</sup> 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 four judgments of God:

1. **A white horse:** signifying conquest.
2. **A bright red horse:** signifying war.
3. **A black horse:** signifying famine.
4. **A pale horse:** signifying death.

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**A principal of Bible prophecy:** we are not told who the rider of these four horses is, which leaves the prophetic vision open to apply to various kings and different periods of time. This principal is often seen in biblical prophecies. Often the names of places, town's, countries, and people are left out of a prophecy allowing the message to transcend the era of the prophet to a future age or a future person.

Due to the lack of detail in the language, many prophecies can carry a partial and local fulfilment to settle upon a local period, and then take up wings and soar through history to its ultimate, perfect, and complete fulfilment.

**The LORD itemises His four disastrous acts of judgment in the following verse:**

- For thus says the Lord GOD: How much more when I send upon Jerusalem my four disastrous acts of judgment, sword, famine, wild beasts, and pestilence, to cut off from it man and beast! (Ezekiel 14:21).
1. Sword (symbolising weapons of war).
  2. Famine.
  3. Wild beasts.
  4. Pestilence or plague.

From these verses we see that God uses, war, famine, wild beasts, pestilence, to bring judgment upon nations. Wild and savage animals (beasts) not only killed men, woman, and children, but also killed their livestock, and destroyed their crops. Following are some of the wild animals (beasts) that existed during the Old Testament generations.

- Antelopes, the addax (a species of antelope), bears, bison (buffalo), and wild boars.

- Camels, cattle, crocodiles, deer of all types, and the hippopotamuses.
- The ibex also called a 'rock goat' or 'wild goat' a large species of wild goat, and gazelles (a type of antelope).
- Foxes, jackals, leopards, lions, mountain sheep, ostriches, and oryx a type of gazelle known for its two straight horns.
- Wildcats, wolves, wild oxen, bulls, goats, pigs, horses, panthers, and snakes without number.

**NOTE:** wild beasts often symbolise powerful and fierce armies that go up against Israel, especially the latter-day armies' ungodly nations of the world will send against Christ when he is ruling and reigning from Jerusalem as King of kings and Lord of lords to establish God's Kingdom of righteousness, justice, and peace on earth.

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