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## The Forth Seal Pestilence and Death



### The **Pale Horse**

#### **Death and Hell**

(Matthew 24:6-8)



#### **The Olivet discourse corresponding prophecy:**

Matthew 24:7-8, "... and pestilences, and earthquakes in divers places. All these are the beginning of sorrows."

Revelation 6:7-8, “And when He had opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth beast say, Come and see. 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 the **sword**, and with **hunger**, and with death, and with the **beast** of the field.



It is worthy to note that the riders of the first three horses are not named but here they are.

Notice Hell follows behind Death for they are inseparable companions. Death here no doubt refers to a great pestilence following the wars, famines and plagues of the first three seals. One fourth of the earth, over which the pestilence shall sweep will leave so great a death toll that the beast of the field will gather to eat them (Mt 24:28, Lk.17:34-37, Rev. 17:17, Ezek. 39:17-21), Hell will have to enlarge its self and open her mouth without measure as it did in Isaiah. 5:13-16.

The word used to describe the color of the “pale” horse is the Greek word “*chloros*” or green. It is meant to convey the sickly green tinge of the deathly ill or recently dead. Since the literal translation “green” does not carry these connotations in English the word was rendered “pale” in most English translations.

### ...All these are the beginning of sorrows...

#### Horses and their riders

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In summary, the horses and their riders as described in the Bible are as follows:

Horse	Horse Represents	Rider	Power	Rider Represents
White	False peace/God's war	Carries bow; wears crown	Conquers	Antichrist, The False Christ, False Religion/Christ
Red	Blood spilt on the battlefield	Carries sword	Brings war	War, Destruction
Black	Black, barren fields	Carries scales	Scarcity of food	Famine, Unfair Trade
Pale	Paleness of skin in death, decay	Death	Kills by war, hunger, etc.	Death

Again as a reminder, that according to Revelation 6:8, these riders were given authority over only (¼) a fourth of the earth, not all the earth. That is coming.