



# The Canadian *Lord's Day* Association

## Bible Course

## Acts to Revelation

## Lesson 77

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Recall that Revelation 1 – 3 is the first vision and addresses the church on earth. Revelation 4 – 6 is vision two of the throne of God. This vision reminds us that everything in this world is under the control of a sovereign God who is working through the Lamb. Christ is in control and will make all things well for His church even if this means through persecution. In this passage, the opening of the seals continues. Seals 5 and 6 show a persecuted church.

*Read Revelation 6:9-17*

1. And when he had opened the \_\_\_\_\_ seal, I saw under the \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of them that were \_\_\_\_\_ for the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_, and for the \_\_\_\_\_ which they held. (v. 9). The battle of all ages between Satan and God continues. More martyrs have been killed in the last 100 years than throughout all history. Christianity is against the law in 24 countries. Do we deny ourselves at all for the cause of Christ? (Matthew 16:24)
2. And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, Holy and true, dost thou not \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ our \_\_\_\_\_ on them that dwell on earth? (v. 10). This is a plea for vindication of God's name like when the blood of Abel cried from the ground to God.
3. And \_\_\_\_\_ were given unto every one of them (undeserved washing in Christ's blood that is good for eternity, justification).
4. And it was said unto them, that they should \_\_\_\_\_ yet for a \_\_\_\_\_ (wait until God makes the number complete, suffering will not stop, but the timetable is perfect, it will be made well).

5. ...until their fellow servants also and their brethren, that should be \_\_\_\_\_ as they were, should be \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Persecution will not end until time ends, so be informed, pray for, and speak of the persecuted Christians around the world.)
6. The answer to the question in the 5<sup>th</sup> seal (How long, O Lord?) is the opening of the 6<sup>th</sup> seal (v. 12-17). A startling series of events is revealed, ...there was a great \_\_\_\_\_; and the \_\_\_\_\_ became \_\_\_\_\_ as sackcloth of hair, and the \_\_\_\_\_ became as \_\_\_\_\_; and the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ fell unto the earth, ... and the \_\_\_\_\_ departed as a \_\_\_\_\_ when it is rolled together; and every \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ were moved out of their places.
7. This is terrifying for those apart from God. And the \_\_\_\_\_ of the earth, and the \_\_\_\_\_, and the \_\_\_\_\_, ...and every free \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains; and said to the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of \_\_\_\_\_ that sitteth on the \_\_\_\_\_, and from the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_.
8. What makes it so terrifying? \_\_\_\_\_  
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\_\_\_\_\_

Revelation 7 is an interlude between the opening of the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> seals. The 6<sup>th</sup> seal has been opened and we are still left with the question, “Who shall be able to stand at the judgment day?” The unsaved at the end of chapter 6 are asking the rocks to fall on them to hide them from the wrath of the Lamb. Chapter seven answers the question with two quick glimpses, one at the church militant and one at the church triumphant.

### *Read Revelation 7*

9. Chapter seven begins with a look at the earth with four \_\_\_\_\_ standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four \_\_\_\_\_ of the earth,

that the \_\_\_\_\_ should not blow ...to whom it was given to \_\_\_\_\_ the earth, and the sea (v. 1,2). These angels are holding back the judgment for a time.

10. Another angel gives direction to the four angels, “\_\_\_\_\_ not the \_\_\_\_\_, neither the \_\_\_\_\_, nor the \_\_\_\_\_, till we have \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of our \_\_\_\_\_ in their foreheads (v. 3). This angel of the covenant is Christ who speaks with authority. This passage reminds the Jews of the Old Testament Passover where the blood had to be on the doorpost so the angel would pass over their home. Here the seal had to be on the forehead and the judgment is withheld until God’s people are sealed.

11. How many were sealed (v. 4)? \_\_\_\_\_  
The Jehovah Witnesses take this as an actual number. It is actually a symbolic number and signifies that all of spiritual Israel will be sealed by God’s grace, none will be missing.

12. John now looks upward and sees a great \_\_\_\_\_ which no man could \_\_\_\_\_, or all \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ who stood before the throne, and before the \_\_\_\_\_, clothed with \_\_\_\_\_, and palms in their hands. This is a view of the multitude of the church triumphant.

13. The church triumphant is worshipping God, “\_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.

14. One of the elders asked John who these people were. John replied, “\_\_\_\_\_.”

15. The elder had asked the question, not because he did not know, but to explain who these people were. He then explains, “these are they which came out of great

\_\_\_\_\_, and have washed their \_\_\_\_\_,  
and made them \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ of  
the \_\_\_\_\_.” They are there because of the Lamb’s cleansing  
blood.

16. Revelation continues with great comfort for God’s people, “Therefore are they before the  
throne of God, and \_\_\_\_\_ Him \_\_\_\_\_  
and \_\_\_\_\_ in His temple: and he that sitteth on the throne shall  
\_\_\_\_\_ among them. They shall \_\_\_\_\_  
no more, neither \_\_\_\_\_ anymore; neither shall the  
\_\_\_\_\_ light on them, nor any \_\_\_\_\_ for  
the \_\_\_\_\_ which is in the midst of the throne shall  
\_\_\_\_\_ them, and shall \_\_\_\_\_ them unto  
living fountains of \_\_\_\_\_: and God shall  
\_\_\_\_\_ away all \_\_\_\_\_ from their eyes.”

17. So, who shall be able to stand at the judgment day?

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### **Meditation**

Where will you go? Die you must. Your breath must cease. These eyes that look on us this  
day must close in death; that heart you feel beating in your bosom must cease to beat. And  
what will you do with your soul? To whom will you commend it, a naked, guilty, shivering  
thing, with the wrath of God abiding on it? Nor rocks, or cave, or mountains, can hide it. Hell  
itself will not be a hiding place from the just wrath of God.

*Gems of R.M. Cheyne*