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The Seven Seals is a phrase in the Book of Revelation that refers to seven symbolic seals (Greek: ἑπτὰ σφραγίδες, sphragida) that secure the book/scroll that John of Patmos saw in his Revelation of Jesus Christ.

Quick Search the thousands of Bible studies on this website. Just type in topic words or a question. They are a lengthy preview, a warning to us, of the many spectacular events that are coming upon the world at some time in the future. References to the very same events can be found in numerous places in the writings of the Old Testament prophets, as well as other books of the New Testament. See *By The Book*. The knowledge found in the Book of Revelation was written by The Apostle John while he was exiled on the island of Patmos. It is important to note that it is not the revelation of any man, in this case John, but the revelation of The Father as given to Jesus Christ Himself - He does the revealing. What are the Seven Seals? Although the opening of each seal in turn has a spectacular result, the seventh seal is far greater because it is divided into seven trumpets, and its seventh trumpet is further divided into seven bowls or vials. The first four seals are commonly known as the "four horsemen of the apocalypse. Then I heard one of the four living creatures say in a voice like thunder, "Come! Its rider held a bow, and he was given a crown, and he rode out as a conqueror bent on conquest. Its rider was given power to take peace from the earth and to make men slay each other. To him was given a large sword. Its rider was holding a pair of scales in his hand. Its rider was named Death, and Hades was following close behind him. They were given power over a fourth of the earth to kill by sword, famine and plague, and by the wild beasts of the earth. They called out in a loud voice, "How long, Sovereign Lord, holy and true, until You judge the inhabitants of the earth and avenge our blood? There was a great Earthquake. The sun turned black like sackcloth made of goat hair, the whole moon turned blood red, and the stars in the sky fell to earth, as late figs drop from a fig tree when shaken by a strong wind. The sky receded like a scroll, rolling up, and every mountain and island was removed from its place. Then the kings of the earth, the princes, the generals, the rich, the mighty, and every slave and every free man hid in caves and among the rocks of the mountains. They called to the mountains and the rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from The Face of Him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of The Lamb! For the great day of Their wrath has come, and who can stand? The last three trumpets are known as the "three woes. And I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and to them were given seven trumpets. A third of the earth was burned up, a third of the trees were burned up, and all the green grass was burned up. A third of the sea turned into blood, a third of the living creatures in the sea died, and a third of the ships were destroyed. A third of the waters turned bitter, and many people died from the waters that had become bitter. A third of the day was without light, and also a third of the night. The star was given the key to the shaft of the Abyss. When he opened the Abyss, smoke rose from it like the smoke from a gigantic furnace. The sun and sky were darkened by the smoke from the Abyss. And out of the smoke locusts came down upon the earth and were given power like that of scorpions of the earth. They were told not to harm the grass of the earth or any plant or tree, but only those people who did not have the seal of God on their foreheads. They were not given power to kill them, but only to torture them for five months. And the agony they suffered was like that of the sting of a scorpion when it strikes a man. During those days men will seek death, but will not find it; they will long to die, but death will elude them. The locusts looked like horses prepared for battle. On their heads they wore something like crowns of gold, and their faces resembled human faces. They had breastplates like breastplates of iron, and the sound of their wings was like the thundering of many horses and Chariots rushing into battle. They had tails and stings like scorpions, and in their tails they had power to torment people for five months. They had as king over them the angel of the Abyss, whose name in Hebrew is Abaddon, and in Greek, Apollyon. It said to the sixth angel who had the trumpet, "Release the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates. The number of the mounted troops was two hundred million. I heard their number. The horses and riders I saw in my vision looked like this: Their breast plates were fiery red, dark blue, and yellow as sulfur. The heads of the horses resembled the heads of lions, and out of their mouths came fire, smoke and sulfur. A third of mankind was killed by the three plagues of fire, smoke and sulfur that came out of their mouths. The power of the horses

was in their mouths and in their tails; for their tails were like snakes, having heads with which they inflict injury. The rest of mankind that were not killed by these plagues still did not repent of the work of their hands; they did not stop worshiping demons, and idols of gold, silver, bronze, stone and wood -idols that cannot see or hear or walk. Nor did they repent of their murders, their magic arts see Witches And Sorcerers , their sexual immorality or their thefts. Then I heard the angel in charge of the waters say: They were seared by the intense heat and they cursed The Name of God, Who had control over these plagues, but they refused to repent and glorify Him. Men gnawed their tongues in agony and cursed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, but they refused to repent of what they had done. Then I saw three evil spirits that looked like frogs; they came out of the mouth of the dragon, out of the mouth of the beast and out of the mouth of the false prophet see articles in our Prophecy section. They are spirits of demons performing miraculous signs, and they go out to the kings of the whole world, to gather them for the battle on the great day of God Almighty. Blessed is he who stays awake and keeps his clothes with him, so that he may not go naked and be shamefully exposed. No earthquake like it has ever occurred since man has been on earth, so tremendous was the quake. The great city split into three parts, and the cities of the nations collapsed. God remembered Babylon the Great and gave her the cup filled with the wine of the fury of His wrath. Every island fled away and the mountains could not be found. From the sky huge hailstones of about a hundred pounds each fell upon men. And they cursed God on account of the plague of hail, because the plague was so terrible. Did Jesus Christ also prophesy many of the same end-time events during His human lifetime?

2: Book of Revelation Overview - ensign

The seven seals include the appearance of the Antichrist (Revelation), great warfare (Revelation), famine (Revelation), plague (Revelation), the martyrdom of believers in Christ (Revelation), a devastating earthquake causing terrible devastation, and astronomical upheaval (Revelation).

The oratorio is arranged in two main parts, with a prologue in heaven. The voice of God bass announces that He is the Alpha and Omega , and will show what must come. John then paints the vision of the throne in heaven, the rainbow, [2] the 24 elders, the seven spirits , the sea of glass and the four living creatures. In turn the creatures and the elders sing praises. Angels then ask, who is worthy to open the book with seven seals which is in the hand of Him who sits on the Throne. John observes that no-one is found worthy, but then sees the Lamb that was slain, standing before the throne, that redeemed men with its blood, and John leads and the Chorus repeats and develops the phrases as the Lamb takes the book Chorus: Die Vision des Lammes. John describes how everything falls down and worships, and introduces the chorus of worship to the Lamb. So ends the prologue. Part One[edit] The first part concerns the opening of the first six seals, and tells the history of Mankind and The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse. After a great organ passage the first seal is broken, and John describes the appearance of the white horse and its crowned rider. The rider, whom Schmidt interprets as Jesus Christ, announces the Antichrist. John tells how the Lamb opens the second seal, and the fire-red horse and rider War emerges, followed by his hellish hosts, who shall drive all peace from the world, so that men shall all be driven into war against one another. He is given a great sword. Der Krieg The third and fourth riders signify what follows upon the world plunged into war. John tells of the third seal, and of the black horse and its rider, with scales in his hand. The rider announces a small portion of wheat and barley for all, and the mother and daughter sing a piteous lament Duoszene: Mutter und Tochter to the father in heaven as they starve from famine. John then describes the pale horse and rider, and the kingdom of death and pestilence which follows him. Tenor and bass soloist, survivors on the corpse-field Duoszene: Der Aufruhr im Himmel. The voice of God bids them wait a little while until their brothers and fellow warriors shall join them. Part Two[edit] The second part opens in a climactic organ passage introducing a long narrative for John with orchestra. At the opening of the seventh seal, he describes a great silence in heaven. The ensuing narrative is an allegory for the history of the true believers and their Church, from the birth of Jesus Christ , of their struggle against the followers of the Devil and his false teachers, and of the ultimate victory of the righteous. John describes signs in the heavens, the appearance of a woman, sun and moon at her feet and crowned with twelve stars around her head, and also of a great dragon with seven crowned heads. The woman bears a child, a son, who is drawn up to the throne of God. The woman flees to a wilderness where a place is appointed for her. Then there is war in heaven, and Michael and his angels fight with the dragon signifying Satan and his angels, and the dragon is cast down onto the earth, and has no more place in heaven. An angel came down from heaven, and bound the dragon for a thousand years, and cast him into the eternal pit and closed it up so that he should never more trouble the people of the earth. Each sounding signifies great sorrows upon the world and its people. The soloists announce the woes, building from alto through to quartet: Great God, your judgements are righteous ; the star named Wormwood falls to earth, and poisons all waters, and whoever drinks it, dies Response: Lord, your punishment is truly righteous ; Woe to you, sun moon and stars are lost! The fifth and sixth blasts and their woes are given entirely to the chorus: John then narrates that earth and heaven disappear before the face of Him that sits on the throne, and the sea and hell give up their dead, and all the dead stand before the throne, and another book, the Book of Life , is opened. Those whose names are not found written there, shall be thrown into the sea of fire. John sees a new heaven and a new earth, and all those whose names are written in the Book of Life go there to have eternal life. The voice of God speaks, saying that He is the Alpha and the Omega and will give to them that thirst the water of life, and they will become His people, and He will wipe away their tears, and there shall be no more death nor sorrow. Behold, He makes all things new. Whoever shall overcome shall be taken up as an Heir soll es zum Erbe empfangen , and He shall be his God, and he will become His son. Then follows an ecstatic Hallelujah chorus Chorus: Hallelujah , in

which the choir sings praises to God, followed by a subdued male chorus of thanksgiving on three notes, in the manner of plainchant. Introduced by a light fanfare as at the opening, John makes his final declaration, that all this was the revelation given to him, and was the sacred exposition of the prophets.

3: The Book of Revelation: The Seven Seals: Second Seal (A Red Horse)

This is an outstanding recording of Schmidt's last masterpiece. The Amazon reviewer who cites the lack of melody might have missed some of the "big tunes"--they are there, but one cannot really incorporate "haunting melodies" in a fugue or in some of the faster movements of the piece.

What are the seven seals of Revelation? The seven seals are one of a series of end-times judgments from God. The seals are described in Revelation 6: Following the seal judgments are the trumpet judgments and the bowl or vial judgments. This scroll contains the judgments of God; the fact that it is written on both sides indicates the extensive nature of the judgment pending. No one was found worthy of breaking the seals and opening the scroll, a fact that causes John to mourn verse 3â€”4. If the scroll could not be opened, then wickedness would not be judged and evil would continue to infect the earth. As John is weeping over the unopened scroll and its unbroken seven seals, he receives good news: This is a picture of Jesus Christ, the Lamb who was slain who is also the Lion of judgment. Jesus is the only one worthy to judge the world cf. As He takes the scroll to open the seals and pronounce judgment on the unbelieving world, the beings in heaven glorify Him with a new song: Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise! Amid the worship due to Him, the Lamb begins to open the seals Revelation 6: With each seal opened, the scroll is able to be unrolled a little more, revealing bit by bit the judgments God has in store during the tribulation period. The first four of the seven seals release what are known as the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse , because the judgments appear symbolically as a horse and rider bringing devastation in their wake. The first seal introduces the Antichrist Revelation 6: From the biblical description, we gather several details: He is given a crown, which indicates that the Antichrist will exercise great authority cf. When the Lamb opens the second seal, great warfare breaks out on the earth Revelation 6: This is symbolized by a rider with a large sword on a fiery red horse. The breaking of the third of the seven seals causes famine Revelation 6: The fourth seal is opened, and John sees a pale horse. The souls of these martyrs are pictured as dwelling under the altar in heaven. God hears their cries for justice, and He gives each of them a white robe. When the Lamb of God opens the sixth seal, a devastating earthquake occurs, causing massive upheaval and terrible devastationâ€”along with unusual astronomical phenomena: For the great day of their wrath has come, and who can stand? After the opening of the sixth of the seven seals is an interlude in the book of Revelation. John describes the , Jews who will be protected during the tribulation Revelation 7: These people wear white robes, hold palm branches, and shout: John is told who this white-clad multitude is: The judgments that lead up to the close of the tribulation are now visible in the scroll and are so severe that a solemn silence falls upon all of heaven. The seventh seal obviously introduces the next series of judgments, for John immediately sees seven angels who are handed seven trumpets ready to sound verse 2. Once the seven seal judgments are finished, the next part of the tribulation, featuring the seven trumpet judgments, is ready to begin.

4: Revelation 5 Who is Worthy to Open the Seals?

What Are the Seven Seals of Revelation? The seven seals form the story flow of the book of Revelation. Here is the overview: The first seal reveals false prophets; the second, war; the third, famine; the fourth, pestilence; the fifth, tribulation; the sixth, heavenly signs; and the seventh, seven trumpets.

Subscribe to the CompellingTruth. How should we understand the seven seals, seven trumpets, and seven bowls in the Book of Revelation? The seven seals, trumpets, and bowls depicted in the book of Revelation represent the final judgments of God that are poured out on an unbelieving world in the end times. Some have tried to argue that the judgments spoken of in the book are things that either took place during the destruction of Jerusalem in A. These arguments, however, do not hold up under the biblical and historical evidence, which points to a future fulfillment. Irenaeus, who lived in the second century, writes in his work *Against Heresies* 5. These things being true, the case for what is called the "futurist" interpretation of the book of Revelation rests on solid ground. The seal, trumpet, and bowl judgments are introduced in chapters 6, 8, and 15 of Revelation. Each judgment is broken up into seven distinct acts that bring destruction to the earth and those who are alive at that time. The judgments begin with the seal judgments, first introduced in chapter 5 of Revelation: God the Father holds in His right hand the right hand symbolizing authority a book, which in the first century would have actually been a scroll made of some sort of papyrus rolled from both sides and held shut with seven seals. The scroll has writing on both the inside and outside, which was typical of contracts in the Middle East. The inside of these scrolls contained the details of the contract, and on the outside was written a summary of the contract. Only the owner of the property or valuables was legally authorized to break the seals affixed to the scroll. This is what is being communicated in Revelation 5. Jesus Christ, the Lion from the tribe of Judah, is presented with His inheritance, which is the earth and all it contains: His property has been usurped and stolen by Satan, and the contents of the document contain not what the inheritance is, but how Christ will regain what is rightfully His. The first six seal judgments are unleashed in chapter 6 of Revelation and are comprised of the following: The first four are mentioned in vv. The breaking of the seventh seal occurs in Revelation 8 and marks the second wave of judgments, the trumpet judgments: Then I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and seven trumpets were given to them. The first six trumpets are comprised of the following judgments: Whereas many of the trumpet judgments affect one third of their target, the bowl judgments are more comprehensive in their effect: The end times cannot be stopped by anyone or anything: Paul writes in Romans: Believers will not face judgment, because their sins were judged when Jesus died in their place on the cross cf. This being the case, everyone today would do well to listen and act upon what John says to his readers as he begins to write the book of Revelation:

5: What Are The Seven Seals In The Book Of Revelation?

Seven Seals, Seven Angels The first angel's trumpet blast of the seventh seal contained "hail and fire, mixed with blood, and these were thrown upon the earth. And a third of the earth was burned up, and a third of the trees were burned up, and all green grass was burned up" (Rev).

Two Witnesses in Jerusalem Rev. During that same period two witnesses of the Lord testify with great power. The period ends with an earthquake. The voices in heaven announce the coming triumph of the kingdom of God. This kingdom and its great Satanic counterpart are shown to John in some detail. John sees a woman, the church the ecclesiastical aspect of the kingdom, bring forth the kingdom over which Christ reigns as king the political aspect of the kingdom. John sees that the church and kingdom of God are opposed by the great dragon Satan and are taken away for many years. John sees that this opposition actually began in the premortal existence and caused war in heaven. John sees that the church of his time would not bring forth the kingdom but would be driven into the wilderness apostasy by the dragon. The Church and Kingdom of Satan 1. He is shown that Satan has power over earthly kingdoms the political aspects of his kingdom and that this beast made war with the Saints and overcame them, referring to the events of the Great Apostasy. John sees another beast, one that exercises great evil through religious power the ecclesiastical aspects of his kingdom. The followers of this beast are sealed in their foreheads to mark their allegiance. Satan works many miracles and deceives much of mankind. He sees the Lamb on Mount Zion with, special ministers of the gospel. John sees the Son of Man in heaven with the sickle and winepress. The great harvest judgment of the wicked is soon to begin. An angel describes a great whore, with whom people of the earth have committed spiritual fornication. This whore is the Satanic counterpart of the woman in chapter 12, which is the church of Christ. John learns that this great whore sits on many waters, which represent the peoples of the earth see Rev. Nephi had a similar vision. Babylon is to be destroyed by plagues, famine, and fire; her wicked supporters will mourn her loss. The earth passes away, and there is a new heaven and a new earth. A celestial city descends from heaven to be on earth. The righteous dwell forever in peace and joy. What might be some of the reasons the Lord tells us of the future events? How does that information help us in our lives? In chapters 12 through 14, John gives an overview of the great opposition between the kingdom of God and the kingdom of Satan. What evidences of that opposition can we see in the world today? What role must each Latter-day Saint play in building the kingdom of God? The chapters of Revelation record a number of judgments that will come upon the inhabitants of earth. What are the purposes of these judgments? How will judgments help the people of the earth make a stronger commitment to God, if they choose to repent? With the knowledge the Lord has given us about the difficult events to come, how can we prepare ourselves temporally and spiritually? What guidance have latter-day prophets given us about preparedness?

6: Daily Bible Study - The Seven Seals

The book of Revelation speaks of seven seals being opened prior to the return of Jesus Christ to earth. What are the meanings of these seals? Revelation portrays a scroll with seven seals to be opened before Christ's second coming.

The Mystery Unveiled Prepare yourselves for you have been given the knowledge of the Seven Seals, and the doors of mystery have been opened so that you may contemplate the path of your salvation. Behold the word of God fulfilled, pronounced since remote times by His prophets. Be it known that there is joy in the celestial mansions and that it is the Divine Master, the Sacrificed Lamb, whom John beheld in his revelation, who has opened the Sixth Seal with his most powerful and perfect hand, and with it, the Third and last of the eras. Preface In the beginning of time, I, as the Father, inspired in man the practice of righteousness. However, men departed from the Divine mandates, falling into idolatry and abominable acts before Me. The strong triumphed, the weak perished, and man took woman as a slave. In that Law were also the norms and precepts by which the people of Israel should be guided, and in these they were told: He who steals will make restitution to his brother. He who causes harm shall pay an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth. The Book that was sealed in the Heavens, has been opened in the Sixth Chapter; it is the Book of the Seven Seals which men call Book of Revelation or Apocalypse, which contains wisdom and justice, and which was unsealed by My love for you, to reveal to you its profound lessons. It is I who have come to tell you, that today you live in the period that pertains to the Sixth Seal. Man has lived five stages on Earth, encouraged by the divine breath of the spirit, even though he has not understood the spiritual meaning of life, the objective of his existence, his destiny, and his essence. All was an inaccessible Arcanum, as much for his mind, as well as for his spirit. A sealed book, whose contents he was unable to interpret. He vaguely perceived the spiritual life, but without truly knowing the ladder of ascension that draws all beings closer to God. He ignored his highest mission on Earth, and the virtues and gifts that form a part of his spirit, in order to triumph over the struggles, to rise above human miseries, and perfect himself spiritually to dwell in the eternal light. The Spiritual History of Mankind Today I come to speak to your spirit and to reveal to you the content of the Seven Seals, the book of your history, of prophecy, of revelation, and justice. Your spirit has written his history and his journey in the book of the Seven Seals. There, noted down by Me, are all your actions, each one of your footsteps, thoughts, and words. The great deeds of your spirit, the great vicissitudes and journeys, his great trials, his chalice of bitterness, all is written there in truth. Each one of the Seven Seals represents one of the seven stages of the spiritual path through which all the spirits must travel to reach their destination, which is God. Your spirit will be learning what those seven steps are, which form part of the infinite number of steps of the ladder that Jacob contemplated in his dreams: The ladder of spiritual perfection which leads the spirits into the bosom of God, has an infinite number of steps, but those seven are the most important ones, of major significance; those seven stages which the spirit must cross along his journey of struggle, of evolution, of trials and a crucible toward perfection. They are a reflection and very clear example of the human life of incarnated spirits. Here, within your own planet, without regard to race or culture, all men are governed by periods of time of seven days, and in your human history you have also had a journey and a spiritual existence of seven stages, from the first which had the knowledge of the true God, the living God, God the Creator, to the end of time. Your spirit has lived long, but your flesh does not know it. If your body has forgotten the first years of your infancy, how can it recognize the evolution of your spirit along the lengthy journey? The symbolic signification of number seven In all periods, in all eras, in all the ages of Humanity, there has always been the signification, the meaning of the Seven Seals, although in symbolic form. In the First Era, Israel experienced a great lesson in Egypt: In the far-advanced First Era, the people of Israel had seven great prophets. When the Master was among you, He delivered the seven great parables of the Kingdom, and when He was hanging from the cross on which the incomprehension crucified Him, He bequeathed, as His last divine testament, the seven words. Behold that always, from the First of the Eras to the last, the symbol of the Seven Seals has been present and latent in the spirit of Humanity. When the eleven disciples were left without their Master, they extended, across the face of the Earth, the seed that He had entrusted to them: In that same period, one of the twelve

disciples of Jesus, permitted to reach an old age by divine will, was deported to an island and, in his loneliness, his spirit drew close to the Father. Great was the spirituality that he attained and there, far away from the materialism of the world, he was able to hear the voices of the Arcanum and look into the Great Beyond. In front of him also stood an angel, who spoke to him saying that neither in the Heavens nor on Earth was there a being worthy of untying those Seals or opening that book, and John, on hearing these words, cried with great distress. But then he saw that a Lamb drew near, and was the one opening that book, untying its Seals from the first to the last. He wrote what he saw and heard, and what he saw and heard were symbols and figures. The sealed book with the Seven Seals is the wisdom of the Holy Spirit, and within it is found written the destiny of all the spirits, and the destiny of the people of God, Israel. That book was closed, its content was a mystery; not even the great prophets, nor the theologians, nor the just of the first eras, knew the existence of that book, nor its name and much less its content. Who, then, could open that book which is the wisdom of God Himself, and is the beginning and the end, the origin of all the spirits, and within which is written the lifetime of evolution, struggle, and perfection of all the spirits? Who would have the spiritual capacity to open that book and show it as the light of the Universe? That is how He brought close to man the kingdom of the Heavens, so as to make them feel their Father more intimately, nearer and accessible. In this manner, God showed man that the love of the Father is before anything else; that the divine Spirit is the Universal Love, the same that governs and gives life to all things. Man and mystery The spiritual disciple should always seek the essence of My deeds, so that he may discover the truth in My Divine messages. You will then see how simple it is to find the meaning of all that which some enshroud in mystery, and others complicate with their theology. Why then complicate what is simple, clear, and translucent as the light? He who truly knows, is humble of spirit. He is not proud with the knowledge of the Earth, aspiring only to know it all and denying all that he has not been able to understand. He who carries within him the light of the inspired knowledge, knows how to receive the revelations at the proper time, as well as being able to wait for them. Many have called themselves wisemen, and it has been a mystery to them that the sun shines day by day in broad daylight. Many have believed to know it all, and truly I say to you, that the ant, which imperceptibly crosses their path, holds for them a very profound mystery. Men may be able to investigate many of the marvels of Nature, but while they do not do it through the path of the Divine love, they will not attain the true wisdom; that which is contained in the immortal life of the spirit. Men, come close to Me; you need not upset your mind trying to discover secrets and mysteries. You only need to open your heart with the key of faith. Past, present and future The time will come when the human heart and mind, purified and tested in spirituality, will be able to receive, through intuition, the voice of their own spirit, when they will know how to receive with clarity and purity all the revelations that the spirit will transmit to the flesh. At this time you still cannot contemplate the past of your spirit through your human life; nevertheless, the Father comes to say to you: How very long has your journey been! How very much has your spirit struggled to hold himself up along the way! How very much has he been hurt by the thorns of life and how many stretches along your path have been marked by the blood of your footsteps! It was necessary for the Divine book to be opened, for man to behold its contents, so that they would be able to save themselves from the darkness of ignorance, which is the origin of all the evils existing in the world. Who could open that Book? By chance would it be the theologian, the scientist, or the philosopher? No, no one; not even the just spirits could reveal to you its contents, because what the book contained, was the wisdom of God. However, even then, it was necessary to wait for men to be fit to receive the Divine revelation, without becoming blind with the splendor of My spiritual presence. Humanity had to live five stages of trials, of lessons, of experience, and evolution, to reach the right development that would permit it to know the mysteries that the Arcanum of God held for Mankind. This is the awaited era for the great revelation, the one through which you will understand all that I have manifested to you throughout the eras and for you to learn who your Father is, who you are, and what is the reason for your existence. This period, whose dawn you admire in the infinite, is the sixth stage which begins in the spiritual life of Humanity; an era of light, of revelations, of fulfillment of ancient prophecies and forgotten promises. It is the Sixth Seal, which on being unsealed, overflows its contents of wisdom upon your spirit, in a message filled with justice, of enlightenment, and of revelations. For you it is the sixth stage; it is the Third Era, in which I have spoken

closer to you as I did during that First Era, when I materialized in many forms, My presence and My word, as in the Second Era, in which I humanized My Word to speak to your heart. Behold that the light of the Sixth Seal is illuminating your spirit. The book is opened, because from the First to the Sixth, the Seals have been uncovered. I am uniting those who will bear My mark, to entrust them with a very delicate mission. At the end of this phase, I shall receive those who have fulfilled it, and, to those who have disobeyed or altered My mandates, I will make very grave charges, and My word will deal with them severely. You shall see false communications attributed to Me, rumors of divine envoys who bring messages to the world, sects with the name of the Seven Seals, and many confusing and undefined sects. All of that will be the product of the great spiritual confusion which Humanity has been preparing, but do not be alarmed; and you shall not succumb in the confusion, because My word in the moments of greater darkness, shall be the light that will make you contemplate My truth, transparent and everlasting. Do not be confused, because before the conclusion of the now opened Sixth Seal, great happenings will occur. The heavenly bodies will give great signs; the nations of the Earth will bemoan, and three parts of this planet will disappear and only one shall be spared, in which the seed of the Holy Spirit will emerge like a new life. Humanity will begin a new existence, united in only one Doctrine, only one language, and one same bond of peace and fraternity. The last part of the Book is still missing; the Seventh Chapter, which still remains sealed. When that seal is broken, you will receive the last lesson from Spirit to spirit. The light of the Sixth Candlestand illuminates all men of this period, but the five previously untied Seals, already passed, also left behind their light in all spirits. I come in spirit during this era. My light descends upon man like tongues of fire, so that they will be able to speak of My law in all languages. I am bequeathing a new Book to humanity, a new Testament: The , chosen ones One hundred and forty-four thousand incarnated and discarnated spirits will open the way during this period. They will be forerunners, prophets, and messengers. They are the ones marked by Me to go before the multitudes. To these chosen ones has been revealed the name of the tribe to which they belonged during the First Era, so that they may realize that since then, they made a covenant with their God, and have followed the path of the Father long ago; but during this period all names of the tribes have disappeared, for it is not the Lord who sets boundaries to divide men. Your presence before this manifestation has not been by chance. My voice summoned you along the pathways and guided you here. Now you know that you have come to recognize the mission that you have to fulfill on Earth. In My word you have learned what is your beginning and what is your ending. You have had the revelation that you are a part of the people who have received the manna of the spirit during three eras. The Book of Life When the Seventh Seal has been closed along with the other six, that book which has been the judgment of God over the deeds of men from the first to the last, shall remain closed. Then God will open a book with blank pages to note therein the resurrection of the dead, the liberation of the oppressed, the regeneration of the sinners, and the triumph of good over evil. The light of the Sixth Seal illuminates at this time, and all the incarnate and discarnate spirits, while some on Earth take this law for the progress and salvation of the spirit, others take it to penetrate into the mysteries of science to discover new material marvels; those are the profane and disobedient hands who even cut the fruits from the tree of science to poison the heart of humanity. You are living in the Sixth Seal which humanity is journeying on Earth as an image of the path it must travel in eternity. The Envoys In the first stage I was represented on Earth by Abel, Noah in the Second, in the third Jacob, Moses in the fourth, Jesus in the fifth, in the sixth, which is the present, Elijah, and in the seventh the Holy Spirit will reign.

7: The Seven Seals (Daughters of Eve, #3) by Danielle Bourdon

The Book with Seven Seals (Das Buch mit sieben Siegeln) is an oratorio in German by the Austrian composer Franz Schmidt, on themes from the biblical Book of Revelation of Saint John. It was completed in and first presented in in Vienna.

Part I The seven seals contained secret information known only to God until the Lamb was found worthy to open the scrolls and to look on the contents. What is contained therein was only for the eyes of the Lamb. However, through his kindness and willingness to share this information with the saints, we find the conditions and circumstances that would take place in the time frame of each seal. First Four Seals The first four seals describe how the four horses doctrines of the early church time periods changed from white to red, then to black and finally to pale. This doctrinal deterioration was brought about by the influence of antichrist. The most commonly held view usually describes these four horses of the Apocalypse as an end-time Armageddon scene. Nothing could be further from the truth. Four horses doctrines represent four time periods of the early church. These four horses describe the first four stages of the church. It is not an end time vision at all. It makes nice magazine covers to picture death and hell riding dramatically forth into the world. However, the truth be told, the first horse and horsemen refer to the historical situation in the Ephesus period of the church. The next three horses and horsemen pertain to Smyrna, Pergamos and Thyatira, respectively. The story of these first four seals is the decline of pure doctrine and the ascent of false teachings. Notice that Jesus does not try to head off the apostasy as it thunders forth. Rather, he strengthens the faithful and encourages them with wonderful promises. The evidence seems quite clear that Jesus, the Lamb, opened the seven seals before he wrote to the angels of the seven churches. Jesus said in Revelation 1: Notice the change of metaphor. It is not the Lion that opens the seals. It is the Lamb who receives the book or scroll. The Lamb opens all the seals. The Lamb Just because the messages to the seven messengers appear first in Revelation is no proof that Jesus sent his message to each angel before he opened the seals that covered the events of each church. Revelation was written to conceal from most people its message, as well as to reveal to those living near to him. Hence, the "seven Spirits of God" are first described in Revelation 4. But in Revelation 1: At the time of sending his message to the "angel" of Sardis, Jesus says that he "hath the seven Spirits of God. They are sent through the Lamb who was declared "worthy. He would prepare each stage of the church against the dangers facing it through its "angel. That is how they are all sent forth into "all the earth. Warnings are given to the apostates and marvelous promises to the faithful, to encourage and strengthen them. Click to go to the following:

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The book of Revelation speaks of seven seals being opened prior to the return of Jesus Christ to earth. The fifth chapter of the book of Revelation shows a scroll being presented to Christ in heaven. This section of Scripture pictures Jesus being honored as the One worthy to open these seals. While this event clearly occurs prior to the opening of the seals, other events in this chapter seem to be more of an overview of events, including things that will happen later. For example, Revelation 5: Instead of indicating a rapture of the saints prior to the opening of the seals, these verses show what will happen after the seals have been opened and the plan of God fulfilled. After giving this overview, chapter 6 and successive chapters explain with greater detail how this will occur—how there will eventually be only righteous people remaining, people who will certainly praise God. Will There Be a Secret Rapture? First seal—a white horse As the first seal was opened, the apostle John wrote: Comparing the seals to the events Christ said would happen in His famous Olivet Prophecy, this seal represents religious deception see Matthew Second seal—a red horse When the second seal opened, John noted: Fourth seal—a pale horse Describing the fourth horse, John penned: And the name of him who sat on it was Death, and Hades followed with him. The events pictured by the first four seals—religious deception, war, famine and pestilences—have already been occurring. Because John is seeing faithful martyrs down through the ages and asking God how long it will be before their wrongful deaths are avenged, some have mistakenly assumed that this means these saints are alive in heaven waiting for God to judge those who killed them. We have to remember that this is a vision—not necessarily reality—to illustrate what is going to happen. Sometimes the Bible uses metaphors to symbolize events past, present or future. These metaphors are not to be understood literally. The blood was figuratively crying out. Warning people of these end-time actions by Satan, Revelation For the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, because he knows that he has a short time. And the stars of heaven fell to the earth, as a fig tree drops its late figs when it is shaken by a mighty wind. For the great day of His wrath has come, and who is able to stand? The seventh seal—the wrath and mercy of God The seventh seal, which includes seven trumpets, begins in Revelation 8. This seal, which is also called the Day of the Lord, is the predominant theme of the book of Revelation. Prior to the beginning of the seventh seal, God is going to seal a group of , people, representing the 12 tribes of Israel, and a great multitude Revelation 7: This same word is used by Paul in Ephesians 1: As the seventh seal begins, seven trumpets, representing a series of punishments, prepare to sound Revelation 8: During the sixth trumpet, a third of mankind will be killed verse When Christ returns as King of Kings and Lord of Lords , the Kingdom of God will be established and 1, years of peace and prosperity will begin.

9: The Book of Revelation: The Seven Seals: First Seal (A White Horse)

p. The Seven Seals FIRST SEAL. (A White Horse.) Rev. "And I saw when the LAMB opened one of the SEALS, and I heard, as it were the noise of thunder, one of the 'Four Beasts' saying, Come and see.

And being turned, I saw seven golden candlesticks; And in the midst of the seven candlesticks one like unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle. His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow; and his eyes were as a flame of fire; And his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and his voice as the sound of many waters. And he had in his right hand seven stars: And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not; I am the first and the last: I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for ever-more, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death. In perfect harmony with its plain and obvious symbolic meaning taught throughout His Word, God completed the Bible with a climaxing flourish of sevens seen nowhere else in all Scripture. Indeed, the Last Book is sometimes called the "Book of Sevens" because of its unique emphasis upon that number. The table shows many of its surface level appearances, but there also are subtle patterns of seven running throughout its text, such as the seven blessings given to the saints and sevenfold praise of the Lamb that was slain: And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne and the beasts and the elders: It is here in the Last Book that God simultaneously applied the Number Seven as the seal of the whole Bible even as He explicitly united its symbolic meaning "completion and perfection" with the idea of a seal in the image of His Word as a book sealed with seven seals Rev 5: These ideas are, of course, naturally coherent and once again we witness Divine Wisdom in action; God compounding and compacting multiple symbols into a single blazing Sign of the Divine Perfection of His Holy Word, all the while teaching everything to us with simple examples any child could understand. In precise analogy with the Cross, the Number Seven is actually a double seal upon the Bible. In the section called "Sealed with the Sign of the Cross" Bible Wheel book, pg 37 it was noted that the Cross seals the Bible in two fundamental ways; once in the tri-radiant cruciform symmetry of the whole and again on Spoke 22 corresponding to the Last Letter Tav Cross. The tri-radiant cruciform symmetry is formed by the seven canonical divisions, and the Last Book on the Last Spoke is itself sealed throughout with the Number Seven. This means that the Cross and the Number Seven unite to form a double double sealing of the whole Bible! It is truly infinite! If only I had ten thousand tongues to declare the true depth of wonder of His Holy Revelation! I stand in awe with our Christian brother, the Apostle Paul: O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God!

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