## Scripture of the Quarter

And I said to him, "Sir, you know."

So, he said to me, "These are the ones who come out of the great tribulation, and washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Revelation 7:14 NKJV

## Are We in The Tribulation?

A lot of people are teaching that with all the strange and scary things that are happening in the world we are in the Tribulation. Now take a deep breath and calm down I will prove to you by The Scriptures this is a False Statement. Something very important must take place before the Tribulation can start. Many people are teaching that we are in the Tribulation but this is misinformation and it is causing unnecessary fear in some people. Let's go to the book of Revelation for absolute proof we are not in the Tribulation starting in Revelation 5:1-14 ESV.

## The Scroll and the Lamb

<sup>1</sup>Then I saw in the right hand of him who was seated on the throne a scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals. <sup>2</sup>And I saw a mighty angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its

seals?" <sup>3</sup>And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it, <sup>4</sup>and I began to weep loudly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. <sup>5</sup>And one of the elders said to me, "Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals."

<sup>6</sup>And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. <sup>7</sup>And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne. <sup>8</sup>And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four

elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. <sup>9</sup>And they sang a new song, saying,

"Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, 10 and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."

<sup>11</sup>Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, <sup>12</sup>saying with a loud voice,

"Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"

13And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"

<sup>14</sup>And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elders fell down and worshiped.

The next chapter is very important and will prove the four horses of the Apocalypse have not started their ride. Revelation 6:1-2 ESV.

## The Seven Seals

<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.

So, the scriptures reveal that before the four horses of the Apocalypse begin their ride Jesus, must open the seven sealed scroll, which has not happened yet. We also know the rider on this white horse is the Antichrist, who has not yet been revealed.

So, the question that must be answered is why are some teaching we are in the Tribulation. For the answer we must go to the book of **Matthew** 24:4-14 ESV.

<sup>4</sup>And Jesus answered them, "See that no one leads you astray. <sup>5</sup>For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and they will lead many astray. <sup>6</sup>And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not alarmed, for this must take place, but the end is not yet. <sup>7</sup>For

nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be famines and earthquakes in various places. <sup>8</sup>All these are but the beginning of the birth pains.

<sup>9</sup>"Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and put you to death, and you will be hated by all nations for my name's sake. 10 And then many will fall away and betray one another and hate one another. <sup>11</sup>And many false prophets will arise and lead many astray. 12And because lawlessness increased, the love of many will grow cold. 13But the one who endures to the end will be saved. <sup>14</sup>And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.

If you watch the news, you realize what is described in Matthew 24. We have had an increase in earthquakes, there are many false prophets prophesying "thus saith the Lord" and nothing they prophecy comes to pass. Wars and rumors of wars currently we have Sudan, Russia and Ukraine, and China is threatening Taiwan = Rumor of a War. Since Covid many have not returned to Church and many no longer believe the Bible is even true! Deception is rampant for those who do not study the Word of God.

So, it is easy to see why some would think we are in the Tribulation. Another reason we know we are not in the Tribulation yet as no seven-year treaty has been signed with Israel by the Antichrist. The scriptural proof is found in **Daniel 9:27 NKJV.** 

with many for one week; But in the middle of the week He shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall be one who makes desolate, even until the consummation, which is determined, is poured out on the desolate.

In 1993 Clinton brokered a deal between Israel and the Palestinians, but it was not for seven-years.

Then the Oslo accords #1 and #2 came about in 1993-1995 but it again was not for seven-years.

Then you had the most recent called the Abraham Accords started on September 15, 2020. But again, no time limit. None of these proved to be a seven-year covenant.

And right now, no one knows who the Antichrist is at the writing of this newsletter May 5, 2023. He is the key in this seven-year covenant which the Bible in **Daniel 9:27** calls it a covenant for a week which is actually seven years, and he the **Antichrist** will break it in 3 and ½ years.

