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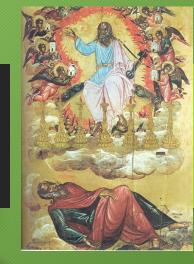
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1) What happens in The Seals [6:1-17]? OT Language to describe New Covenant Spiritual Reality (A) Four Horses & Zech 6 (Evil still exists) (B) Martyrs Crying, & Psm 10x, Hab 1:2, Zech 1 (Prayer) (C) De-Creation chaos & Joel 2, Isa 13:10, 34:1-12 [Jer 4:19-27]. Similar to Jesus in Mt 24, Mk 13, & Lk 21, 23:30.

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The Rider on the White Horse, the Thigh Inscription, and Apollo: **Revelation 19:16**

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This article proposes a solution to the puzzling thigh inscription of Rev 19:16, beginning with an examination of seven thigh inscriptions from antiquity, both statuary and literary. All but one of the inscriptions are dedicated to Apollo. I treat the thigh inscription of Rev 19:16 in light of possible images and allusions to Apollo in the Apocalypse. The saga of the celestial woman, the child, and Satan in Rev 12 emerges as a primary allusion to the Leto-Apollo-Python myth of antiquity. I consider secondary allusions to Apollo in relation to the defeat of Satan, the function of doxologies, oracle and revelation, and the imagery of the sun in the Apocalypse. I conclude that the inscription on the thigh of the rider on the white horse recapitulates the various terms and images reminiscent of the Apollo cult in the Apocalypse, which are perfected and fulfilled in Jesus Christ, who is "King of kings and Lord of lords" (19:16).

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A Study of Revelation 6:1-8

by Mathias Rissi

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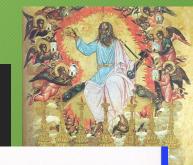
APOLLO, GRECO-ROMAN PRO AND THE RIDER ON THE WHITE HO

Four factors in the description of the first seal's horse explanation if a convincing interpretation is to be given (1) the color of the horse, in this case white; (2) the bow crown (στέφανος); and (4) the emphasis on the rider's acti verb vixáw. The thesis of this paper is that these four fact first seal is interpreted as a symbol combining the comp messiahs and false prophecy.

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the similarities of form in each of the first four seals imply that the seals must be viewed as a unity made up of parallel members. The fact that Death and Hades, who appear in the fourth seal (6:7-8), are manifestly entities that are antithetical to God in 20:14 000S OF YEARS. weakens any case that can be made for viewing the four seals as symbolic of the Divine Warrior or his angelic emissaries.² André Feuillet resolves this difficulty by arguing that the first seal alludes to the Divine Warrior in order to convey the message that the seals represent evil powers in the service of God, but he destroys the parallelism

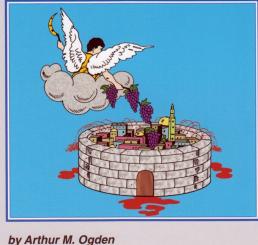




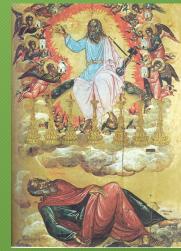
WORKBOOK

Seven Seals Ch 6-7

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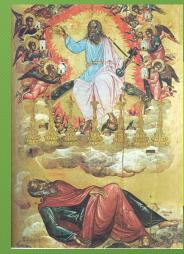


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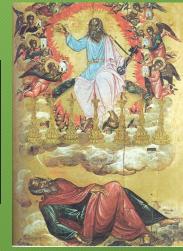


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It is GOOD to know "Who can stand at His wrath?" 6:17 [7:9-10, 13-17] Those *sealed & washed by His blood*. More OT & Gospel ideas: Ezk 9, Passover, Lk 23/Hos 10 Recall Eph 1:13-14, 4:30, we're *sealed* by His Spirit.



3) How Do We OBEY The Seals Message? First, why wait to be *washed by His blood*? Second, remember Jesus' promise for His people: As Living Water, we'll never thirst. As Bread of Life, we'll never hunger. His victory over death ensures a place with no tears. We must fully worship The Father & The Lamb!



3) How Do We OBEY The Seals Message? Be washed by His blood & worship The Lamb! Third, have realistic expectations for life on earth: (1) Expect war, evil, poverty, disease, & death. (2) Expect persecution. (3) Expect prayer to be heard. (4) Expect a final judgment & (5) protection from Him. (6) Expect to enjoy His provision & presence. (2Pt 2:9) The creature shouldn't question The Creator's world.