

## **Section Three: The Kingdom of God on Earth (Future)**

### **Category A: Tribulation – Kingdom Intelligence Report #6**

Topic: The Peril

Someone once said, **“It’s not how you start but how you finish.”** Unfortunately for the rider on the white horse of Revelation 6:2 and those who follow him; their glorious beginning will have an ignominious ending. Prior to the writing of Revelation by John in circa AD 95-96, our Lord and Savior, as well as the Apostle Paul, warned of the perils of this period (Matthew 24:5,11,24; 2 Thessalonians 2:8-12). The Antichrist’s ability to deceive, verbally as well as supernaturally, will be so strong so as to mislead many. However, this strong deluding influence will only last until every one of his unwitting followers find themselves in the midst of a rude awakening.

First on that list will be the nation of Israel. The peace and safety produced by the covenant with the many will evaporate, as the beast will show himself for who he truly is, breaking the covenant and demanding that he be worshipped as God (2 Thessalonians 2:4). As a result, the majority of the nation will flee to the wilderness and there receive protection from the one and only true God, of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob (Revelation 12:6).

For those who receive the mark of the beast, the consequence of such a decision will be of eternal significance (Revelation 14:9-12). Even the religious/economic system known as Babylon, which dominates this period, will experience a betrayal at the hands of the Antichrist and his henchmen (Revelation 17:15-18). Ultimately, the deceiver’s arrogance will make him a victim of his own deception; in thinking that he can successfully wage war against the Lamb, who is also the Lord of Lords and King of Kings (Revelation 17:12-14).

Someone also once said, **“Hindsight is 20/20!”** If only those who responded positively to the invitation of “Come,” initiating the Tribulation, had realized that there would be a second such invitation, concluding it. Then again, that 20/20 warning is being given to all of us, right here and right now, in Revelation 19:17-21 –

**“Then I saw an angel standing in the sun, and he cried out with a loud voice, saying to all the birds which fly in midheaven, ‘COME, assemble for the great supper of God, so that you may eat the flesh of kings and the flesh of commanders and the flesh of mighty men and the flesh of horses and of those who sit on them and the flesh of all men, both free men and slaves, and small and great.’ And I saw the beast and the kings of the earth and their armies assembled to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army. And the beast was seized, and with him the false prophet who performed the signs in his presence, by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image; these two were thrown alive into the lake of fire which burns with brimstone. And the rest were killed with the sword which came from the mouth of Him who sat on the horse, and all the birds were filled with their flesh.”**

HEED THE WARNING ABOVE! PLACE YOUR TRUST IN JESUS CHRIST RIGHT NOW. MAKE HIM YOUR PERSONAL SAVIOR AND LORD, AND BE SAVED FROM THE WRATH TO COME. IGNORE THIS WARNING, AND YOU WILL BE DOING SO AT YOUR OWN ETERNAL PERIL.