

## Rev 6-8 Discussion Questions

- 1) Share a story about Christians who have kept their faith through hardship (it can be your story or a story you've heard about)
- 2) What encourages you to keep trusting Jesus even when times get hard?

### Read Rev 6:1-8

- 3) What are we told about the four horsemen and the destruction they will bring? (if you want to go deeper see also **Zech 1:7-11; 6:1-8**)
- 4) How are we reminded throughout this passage that "God is in Control"?
- 5) How does what's described in this passage make you feel?

Bonus Question: Read **Mk 13:5-30**, how does what Jesus says here help us understand these events as already happening now rather than in the future?

### Read Rev 6:9-17

- 6) What stands out for you and why?
- 7) Who are the people under the altar and what is their cry?
  - a. Is this a right cry to have? (see Deut 32:35; Luke 18:7-8; Rom 12:19)
- 8) How does God respond to their cry?
- 9) What is the response of those under the wrath of God and the Lamb in vv15-17?

### Read Rev 7:9-17<sup>1</sup>

- 10) How should the picture of the multitude around the throne in v9 practically shape our mission and ministry today (both internationally and locally)?
- 11) What are the benefits/rewards for Christians from vv15-17?

Pray

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<sup>1</sup> If your group is keen to discuss who the 144,000 are: Reasons for taking the 144,000 as all Christians: 1) all redeemed believers are included when 'servants' is used elsewhere in Rev (2:20;19:5;22:3); 2) the context of Ezk 9, no distinction between major groups of the faithful, but distinguishes only true believers from unbelievers; 3) if Satan puts a seal on all his followers (13:16-17; 14:9-11), God presumably does likewise for all his followers, not just some of them.