



## Approaching Hoofbeats

### Revelation 6:1-8 (NIV)

Then I saw the Lamb open one of the seven seals, and I heard one of the four living creatures say with a voice like thunder, "Come!"<sup>2</sup> I looked, and there was a white horse. Its rider held a bow; a crown was given to him, and he went out as a conqueror in order to conquer.<sup>3</sup> When he opened the second seal, I heard the second living creature say, "Come!"<sup>4</sup> Then another horse went out, a fiery red one, and its rider was allowed to take peace from the earth, so that people would slaughter one another. And a large sword was given to him.<sup>5</sup> When he opened the third seal, I heard the third living creature say, "Come!" And I looked, and there was a black horse. Its rider held a set of scales in his hand.<sup>6</sup> Then I heard something like a voice among the four living creatures say, "A quart of wheat for a denarius, and three quarts of barley for a denarius, but do not harm the oil and the wine."<sup>7</sup> When he opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature say, "Come!"<sup>8</sup> And I looked, and there was a pale green horse. Its rider was named Death, and Hades was following after him. They were given authority over a fourth of the earth, to kill by the sword, by famine, by plague, and by the wild animals of the earth.

**Before we'll see God's best, we'll see humanity's w\_\_\_\_\_.**

**Hebrews 12:27-28 (NLT)**, "The things on earth will be shaken, so that only eternal things will be left. . . . We are receiving a kingdom that cannot be destroyed. . . ."

**We know we'll see God's best because even humanity's worst is never out of his  
c\_\_\_\_\_.**

The seals

The command

The verbs

**Acts 2:23 (NIV)**, "This man was handed over to you by God's deliberate plan and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross."