Revelation 6:9-17 Martyrs & Mountains

The Martyrs (witnesses) Under the Altar (7-11)

Sacrifice – even to the point of death (Revelation 12:11)

Slain

Because of the Word of God – unwilling to compromise truth (Revelation 3:8) Because of their testimony – unwilling to deny His Name (Revelation 12:11)

Soliciting God – crying out to Him

Holy – Sovereign – True – LORD!!! How long? (Psalm 74:10-11) Until You judge the earth (John 5:22) Until You avenge our blood (Romans 12:17-21)

Sovereign One's response

White robes are given (Revelation 7:14; 19:8) Waiting is required (Psalm 27:14 / Isaiah 40:29-31) Worthy ones are yet to be slain (Psalm 116:15 / Isaiah 57:1-2 / Revelation 14:3)

The Great Earthquake (12-17) – (Hebrews 12:25-29)

The Signs (Isaiah 13:9-11; 34:1-4 / Joel 2:10-11 / Matthew 24:29)

Sun (turned black) – Moon (turned blood red) – Star (falling like late figs) Sky (rolling up) (Isaiah 34:4 / II Peter 3:10 / Colossians 1:17) Surface (mountains and islands removed) (Isaiah 40:4-5)

The Sinful (Isaiah 2:6-22)

Fall on us mountains and rocks (Isaiah 2:19) Fearful of the Day of the Wrath of the Lamb (Joel 2:1-2) Discussion questions for Revelation 6:9-17

In what ways do we see the Word of God being compromised and the Name of Jesus being denied in churches today? (I Corinthians 5:1-2 / Jeremiah 23:16; 35:15 / II Corinthians 11:2-4 / Acts 20:26-27)

How do these things impact our church? Our own lives? (Galatians 1:6-10; 3:1-5)

How can we stand strong in the midst of compromise? (Psalm 1:1-2 / Romans 12:1-2 / I Peter 1:13-15 / Ephesians 6:10-18)

What motivates saints of God to cry for His vengeance instead of His mercy upon others? (Psalm 28:3-5; 139:19-22)

When, if ever, would we seek vengeance rather than mercy upon others? (Romans 12:17-21 / Galatians 5:7-12)

How does God respond to the martyrs under His altar? (Proverbs 16:4 / Psalm 27:14)

How can His response to them be helpful to us in the midst of suffering? (Isaiah 40:28-31 / Psalm 30:1-5)

What causes men to desire His face? What causes men to hide from His face? (Jn 3:19-21/I John 3:1-3)

Who is able to stand the great day of His Wrath? (Psalm 15 / Romans 3:22-26)