

## Jewishness of Revelation ch.6-

Rev 6:1 Then I saw when the Lamb broke one of the seven seals, and I heard one of the four living creatures saying as [with] a voice of thunder, "Come!"

- Dan 9:24 "**Seventy weeks have been decreed for your people and your holy city, to finish the wrongdoing, to make an end of sin, to make atonement for guilt, to bring in everlasting righteousness, **to seal up vision and prophecy, and to anoint the Most Holy Place.****
- Dan 12:4 "But as for you, Daniel, keep these words secret and **seal up the book until the end of time; many will roam about**, and knowledge will increase."
- There are similarities between the horsemen associated with the first four seals which John sees (Rev. [Rev. 6:1-8+](#)) and two visions given Zechariah which also concern horses. Zechariah's first vision concerns riders astride colored horses (Zec. [Zec. 1:7-11](#)). His eighth vision concerns chariots drawn by colored horses (Zec. [Zec. 6:1-8](#)). The visions of both Zechariah and John concern: (1) horses; (2) of varied colors; (3) with riders; (4) which ride forth to various destinations.

Rev 6:12 And I looked when He broke the sixth seal, and there was **a great earthquake**; and **the sun became as black** as sackcloth made of hair, and **the whole moon became like blood**;

- Isa 13:9-10 Behold, the day of the LORD is coming, Cruel, with fury and burning anger, To make the land a desolation; And He will exterminate its sinners from it. 10 For **the stars of heaven and their constellations Will not flash their light; The sun will be dark when it rises And the moon will not shed its light.**
- Isa 24:23 Then **the moon will be ashamed and the sun be put to shame, For the LORD of armies will reign on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem**, And [His] glory will be before His elders.
- Eze 32:7-8 "And when [I] extinguish you, **I will cover the heavens and darken their stars; I will cover the sun with a cloud And the moon will not give its light. 8 "All the shining lights in the heavens I will darken over you And will set darkness on your land,**" Declares the Lord GOD.

- Joe 2:10, 30-31 Before them the earth quakes, **The heavens tremble, The sun and the moon become dark, And the stars lose their brightness. ... 30 "I will display wonders in the sky and on the earth, Blood, fire, and columns of smoke. 31 "The sun will be turned into darkness, And the moon into blood, Before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes.**
- Joe 3:15 **The sun and moon have become dark, And the stars have lost their brightness.**
- Amo 8:9 "And it will come about on that day," declares the Lord GOD, "That **I will make the sun go down at noon, And make the earth dark in broad daylight.**
- **Mat 24:29 "But immediately after the tribulation of those days THE SUN WILL BE DARKENED, AND THE MOON WILL NOT GIVE ITS LIGHT, AND THE STARS WILL FALL from the sky, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken.**
- Act 2:19-20 **'AND I WILL DISPLAY WONDERS IN THE SKY ABOVE AND SIGNS ON THE EARTH BELOW, BLOOD, FIRE, AND VAPOR OF SMOKE. 20 'THE SUN WILL BE TURNED INTO DARKNESS AND THE MOON INTO BLOOD, BEFORE THE GREAT AND GLORIOUS DAY OF THE LORD COMES.**

Rev 7:3-4 saying, "**Do not harm** the earth, or the sea, or the trees until we have sealed the bond-servants of our God on their foreheads." 4 And I heard the number of those who were sealed: **144,000, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel**: Rev 7:9 After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could count, from every nation and [all the] tribes, peoples, and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, and **palm branches [were] in their hands**; (Lev.23:40-44 Feast of Booths)

Rev 9:3-4, 7 **Then out of the smoke came locusts upon the earth**, and power was given them, as the scorpions of the earth have power. 4 They were told not to hurt the grass of the earth, nor any green thing, nor any tree, but only the people who do not have the seal of God on **their foreheads**. ... 7 **The appearance of the locusts was like horses prepared for battle**; and on their heads appeared to be crowns like gold, and their faces were like human faces. Rev 9:8 They had hair like the hair of women, and **their teeth were like [the teeth] of lions**.

- Exo 10:4-5 'For if you refuse to let My people go, behold, tomorrow **I will bring locusts into your territory.** 5 '**And they will cover the surface of the land**, so that no one will be able to see the land. They will also eat the rest of what has survived--what is left to you from the hail--and they will eat every tree of yours which grows in the field.
- Joe 1:2 Hear this, you elders, And listen, all inhabitants of the land. **Has [anything like] this happened in your days, Or in your fathers' days?** Joe 1:4 What the gnawing locust has left, the swarming locust has eaten; And what the swarming locust has left, the creeping locust has eaten; And what the creeping locust has left, the stripping locust has eaten. Joe 1:6 For a nation has **invaded my land**, Mighty and without number; **Its teeth are the teeth of a lion**, And it has the jaws of a lioness. Joe 1:15 **Woe for the day! For the day of the LORD is near, And it will come as destruction from the Almighty.**
- Joe 2:1, 3-4, 6, 11 **Blow a trumpet in Zion**, And sound an alarm on My holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble, **For the day of the LORD is coming; Indeed, it is near**, ... 3 **A fire consumes before them, And behind them a flame devours.** The land is like the Garden of Eden before them, But a desolate wilderness behind them, And nothing at all escapes them. 4 Their **appearance is like the appearance of horses**; And like war horses, so they run. ... 6 Before them the people are in anguish; All faces turn pale. ... 11 The LORD utters His voice before His army; His camp is indeed very great, For mighty is one who carries out His word. The day of the LORD is indeed great and very awesome, And who can endure it? Joe 2:25 "Then I will compensate you for the years That the swarming locust has eaten, The creeping locust, the stripping locust, and the gnawing locust- - My great army which I sent among you.
- Deu 8:15 He who **led you through the great and terrible wilderness, [with its] fiery serpents and scorpions**, and [its] thirsty ground where there was no water; He who brought water for you out of the rock of flint.
- Luk 10:19 "**Behold, I have given you authority to walk on snakes and scorpions, and [authority] over all the power of the enemy, and nothing will injure you.**

Rev 9:14 saying to the sixth angel who had the trumpet, "Release the four angels who are bound at **the great river Euphrates**." (Gen.15:18)

- Gen 2:14 The name of the third river is Tigris; it flows east of Assyria. And the fourth river is the Euphrates.
- Gen 15:18 On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your descendants I have given this land, From the river of Egypt as far as the great river, the river Euphrates:
- Exo 23:31 "I will set your boundary from the Red Sea to the sea of the Philistines, and from the wilderness to the [Euphrates] River; for I will hand over the inhabitants of the land to you, and you will drive them out from you.

Rev 11:1-7 Then there was given to me a measuring rod like a staff; and someone said, "Get up and **measure the temple of God and the altar**, and those who worship in it. 2 "Leave out the courtyard which is outside the temple and do not measure it, because it has been **given to the nations**; and **they will trample the holy city for forty-two months**. 3 "And I will grant [authority] to my **two witnesses, and they will prophesy for 1,260 days, clothed in sackcloth**." 4 These are the **two olive trees and the two lampstands** that stand before the Lord of the earth. 5 And if anyone wants to harm them, **fire flows out** of their mouth and devours their enemies; and [so] if anyone wants to harm them, he must be killed in this way. 6 These **have the power to shut up the sky, so that rain will not fall during the days of their prophesying; and they have power over the waters to turn them into blood, and to strike the earth with every plague, as often as they desire**. 7 When they have finished their testimony, the beast that comes up out of the abyss will make war with them, and overcome them and kill them.

- Deu 17:6 "On the testimony of **two witnesses** or three witnesses, **the condemned shall be put to death**; he shall not be put to death on the testimony of [only] one witness.
- Mat 18:16 "But if he does not listen [to you,] take one or two more with you, so that **ON THE TESTIMONY OF TWO OR THREE WITNESSES EVERY MATTER MAY BE CONFIRMED**.
- Rev 21:15 **The one who spoke with me had a gold measuring rod to measure the city, its gates, and its wall.** (Heaven)

- Eze 40:4-5 And the man said to me, "Son of man, see with your eyes, hear with your ears, and pay attention to all that I am going to show you; for you have been brought here in order to show [it] to you. **Declare to the house of Israel all that you see.**" 5 And behold, there was a **wall on the outside of the temple** all around, and in the man's hand was a measuring rod of six cubits, each of which was a cubit and a hand width. **So he measured** the thickness of the wall, one rod; and the height, one rod.
- Zec 2:1-2 Then I raised my eyes and looked, and behold, [there was] a man with a measuring line in his hand. 2 So I said, "Where are you going?" And he said to me, "**To measure Jerusalem**, to see how wide it is and how long it is."
- Jer 11:16 The LORD named you "**A green olive tree, beautiful in fruit and form**"; With the noise of a great tumult He has set fire to it, And its branches are worthless.
- Zec 4:2-3, 11-14 And he said to me, "What do you see?" And I said, "I see, and behold, **a lampstand all of gold with its bowl on the top of it, and its seven lamps on it** with seven spouts [belonging] to [each of] the lamps which are on the top of it; 3 **also two olive trees by it, one on the right side of the bowl and the other on its left side.**" ... 11 Then I said to him, "**What are these two olive trees on the right of the lampstand and on its left?**" 12 And I responded the second time and said to him, "**What are the two olive branches which are beside the two golden pipes**, which empty the golden [oil] from themselves?" 13 So he answered me, saying, "**Do you not know what these are?**" And I said, "**No, my lord.**" 14 **Then he said, "These are the two anointed ones, who are standing by the Lord of the whole earth.**"
- Rom 11:17 But if some of the branches were broken off, and you, being a wild olive, were grafted in among them and became partaker with them of **the rich root of the olive tree**,
- Rev 1:20 "[As for] the mystery of the seven stars which you saw in My right hand, and the seven golden lampstands: the seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.
- Mat 5:14-16 "**You are the light of the world.** A city set on a hill cannot be hidden; 15 nor do [people] light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. 16 "Your light

must shine before people in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven.

- 1Ki 17:1 Now **Elijah** the Tishbite, who was of the settlers of Gilead, said to Ahab, "As the LORD, the God of Israel lives, before whom I stand, **there shall certainly be neither dew nor rain [during] these years, except by my word.**" (3 ½ years)
- Num 16:35 Fire also came out from the LORD and consumed the 250 men who were offering the incense. (Moses)
- 2Ki 1:10 But **Elijah** replied to the captain of fifty, "If I am a man of God, **may fire come down from heaven and consume you** and your fifty." Then fire came down from heaven and consumed him and his fifty [men.] (1Ki.18)

Rev 11:8 "And their dead bodies [will lie] on the street of the great city which **spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also their Lord was crucified.**" (Sodom Isa.1:10, Jer.23:14, Amos 4:11, Matt. 10:15, 2 Pet.2:6, Jude 1:7)

- Rev 16:19 The **great city was split into three parts**, and the cities of the nations fell. **Babylon the great** was remembered in the sight of God, to give her the cup of the wine of His fierce wrath.

Rev 11:19 And **the temple** of God which is in heaven was opened; and **the ark of His covenant appeared in His temple**, and there were flashes of lightning and sounds and peals of thunder, and an earthquake, and a great hailstorm.

Rev 12:1-2, 5-6 ESV And a great sign appeared in heaven: **a woman** clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of **twelve stars**.  
2 She was pregnant and was crying out in birth pains and the agony of giving birth. ... 5 **She gave birth to a male child, one who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron, but her child was caught up to God and to his throne, 6 and the woman fled into the wilderness**, where she has a place prepared by God, in which she is to be nourished for **1,260 days**.

## Old Testament/Jewish imagery in Revelation

- Jerusalem 3:12, 21:2, 21:10
- Holy city 11:2, 21:2, 21:10, 22:19 (Isa.52:1)
- Zion 14:1
- Israel 2:14, 7:4, 21:12
- Jews/Synagogue 2:9, 3:9
- 12 Tribes listed ch.7:4-8, 5:5, 21:12
- Temple Rev.3:12, 7:15, 11:1, 19, 14:15, 17, 15:5, 6, 8 16:1, 17, 21:22
- Ark of Covenant 11:19, 15:5
- “Holy, holy, holy”, 4:8 (Isa.6:30)
- Christ 1:1, 2, 5, 11:15, 12:10, 20:4, 6
- Son of man 1:13, 14:14, Dan.7:13, Mt.26:64, Jn.12:34
- Offspring David 22:16, Ps.18:50, Jn.7:42
- Altar 6:9, 8:3, 5, 9:13, 11:1, 14:18, 16:7
- Lampstands 1:12, 13, 20, 2:1, 11:4, Zech.4:2, 11
- Censer 8:3, 5, Nu.16:17
- Iron scepter 2:27, 12:5, 19:15, Ps.2:9
- Olive trees 11:4, Zech.4:3, 11, Rom.11:17, 24
- Armageddon (valley of Megiddo, in Israel) 16:16
- Treads winepress 19:15, Isa.63:2
- a time, times, and half a time 12:14, Dan.7:25, 12:7
- Lion, Ox, Man, Eagle 4:7, Ezek. 1:10
- 4 Horses Rev.6, Zech. 6
- Leopard, bear, Lion, beast 13:1-3, Dan.7
- Other Characters from the Old Testament: Jezebel, Balaam, Babylon, Sodom, Egypt, Gog and Magog
- Tree of Life 2:7, 22:2, 14, 19, Gen.2:9, 3:22, 24

Although there are No direct quotes, Of the 404 verses in the book of Revelation, seemingly **278** of them make some allusion to the Old Testament. That is **68.8%** of the verses!

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Alfred Edersheim (1825-1889) identified many parallels between the narrative and prophetic symbols in Revelation and the architecture, traditions, customs, worship and administration practices associated with the Jerusalem Temple.

“But it is specially remarkable, that the Temple-references with which the Book of Revelation abounds are generally to minutiae, which a writer who had not been as familiar with such details, as only personal contact and engagement with them could have rendered him, would scarcely have even noticed, certainly not employed as part of his imagery. They come in naturally, spontaneously, and so unexpectedly, that the reader is occasionally in danger of overlooking them altogether; and in language such as a professional man would employ, which would come to him from the previous exercise of his calling. Indeed, some of the most striking of these references could not have been understood at all without the professional treatises of the Rabbis on the Temple and its services.” [18]

**Specific allusions to the Temple may be found in the following Revelation passages: 1:13; 3:5, 12, 20; 4:8, 11; 5:8-9, 12-13; 6:9-10; 7:2-3, 9-12; 8:1-4; 9:4; 10:7, 11; 11:15; 13:8; 14:1-5; 15:2-4, 6; 16:15; 19:1, 3-4, 6-8; 21:3, 16, 19-20.**

Edersheim’s observation and explanation of these details are especially valuable to understanding the spiritual lessons of Revelation.

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