

Ride with the Devil: The Rider of the Black Horse: Micromanagement of Economy Causes Hyperinflation & Brings about Global Famine, Plague, & Disease, Corrective Measures from the Divine Decree: Jesus Christ Controls History; Pivot Power vs. Power Politics, Rev 6:5

A. THE RIDER OF THE BLACK HORSE

Revelation 6:5 - And when He had broken the third seal, I heard the third angelic herald say, "Come!" Then I looked, and behold a black horse [μέλας ἵππος (*melas hippos*)]; and the rider had a pair of scales in his hand.

v. 6 - Then I heard as it were a voice in the center of the four angelic heralds saying, "A quart of wheat for a denarius and three quarts of barley for a denarius; furthermore, do not damage the olive oil and the wine." (CTL)

1. The rider represents economic recession followed by hyperinflation. The Black Horse is emblematic of the ultimate result of food shortages which are famine, disease, and plague.
2. Whenever mankind attempts to replace capitalism with systems conjured from anthropocentric academic speculation the results are always horrendous.
3. The Illuminati always defend their tactics by insisting the paradise promised at the end justifies the suffering that accompanies the means.
4. The suffering always includes economic disaster. There is no way to hold an economy together without private enterprise so it is inevitable that philosophical systems will fail and do so miserably.
5. The imagery of the color black indicating economic disaster is supported by Scripture. A graphic prophetic description of the events leading up to the invasion of Nebuchadnezzar and his Chaldean army prior to 586 B.C., is found in Jeremiah's warning in Lamentations:

Lamentations 4:6 - The iniquity of the daughter of My people [**Judah as a Client Nation**] is greater than the sin of Sodom, which was overthrown as in a moment, and no hands were turned toward her to help.

v. 7 - Her consecrated ones were purer than snow, they were whiter than milk; they were more ruddy in body than corals, their polishing was like lapis lazuli [**these expressions depict the attention given to one's physical appearance during periods of prosperity**].

v. 8 - Their appearance is blacker than soot, [**the result of severe famine**] they are not recognized in the streets; their skin is shriveled on their bones, it is withered, it has become like wood [**descriptions of the physical appearance of these same types as a result of famine from economic disaster**].

v. 9 - Better are those slain with the sword than those slain with hunger; for they pine away being stricken for lack of the fruits of the field [**it is better to be a casualty of war than to die from the results of famine and disease**].

v. 10 - The hands of the compassionate women boiled their own children; they became food for them because of the destruction of the daughter of my people [in desperate times, formerly compassionate people resort to grotesquely desperate measures].

6. The divine decree includes the sovereign decision of God in eternity past. These decisions are programmed into the computer and cannot be altered.
7. Therefore, when individuals, groups of people, and those that make up a national entity violate the immutable standards associated with the laws of divine establishment, the system contains corrective measures designed to restore order.
8. The Four Horsemen of Revelation 6 illustrate the inevitable function of the divine decree when these laws are violated: **(1)** the rider of the White Horse indicates incompetence in government or a coup d'état by a Fifth Column, **(2)** the rider of the Fiery Red Horse represents warfare without victory, and **(3)** the rider of the Black Horse is the harbinger of economic disaster.
9. These are trends that always occur in human history when man attempts to alter the laws of divine establishment with human viewpoint alternatives such as progressivism, socialism, fascism, or communism.
10. Here are some of the inevitable ramifications of challenging the immutable principles of the divine decree:
 - 1) The Lord informs us in Matthew 24:6-7, that there are three things the human race must endure until the Second Advent: **(1)** wars, v. 6, **(2)** famines, and **(3)** natural disasters, v. 7.
 - 2) The biblical and therefore the divine system of economics is capitalism as noted in the Decalogue's mandates numbers eight and ten and illustrated by our Lord in the parable of the laborers in Matthew 20:1-16.
 - 3) Human efforts to displace free enterprise and capitalism initiate an economic downtrend that will continue until corrected, either by volitional decisions of men or by the decree's cycles of discipline.
 - 4) The decree employs principles of supply and demand which reflect the free-will decisions of every person in the marketplace. Government should only employ laws that regulate against tactics that would give an unfair advantage to one individual or group over another.
 - 5) But government should never try to control, adjust, or manipulate the economy itself.
 - 6) Government is also run by men who, lacking the gift of prophecy, cannot envision all the unintended consequences that would result from their presumed improvements of the system.
 - 7) All attempts to tamper with the decree of free enterprise will result in damaging or destroying the economy.
 - 8) But man, being fallen, will always interfere, therefore economic disasters will continue to occur until the Second Advent.

- 9) Knowing this to be true, what should believers do? Some suggest becoming an activist, entering politics, or fomenting revolution.
- 10) PRINCIPLE: History proves that revolution never results in any improvement over the current status quo, a fact suggested by Pete Townshend in his famous coda to "Won't Get Fooled Again": "Meet the new boss / Same as the old boss."
- 11) When historical downtrends are in evidence then overt efforts by the minority will prove inept. Nevertheless, the principle that Pivot power trumps power politics is the client nation's ace in the hole.
- 12) Pivot power is the hidden advantage that becomes the only leverage a client nation has when power politics has created historical downtrends with great momentum.
- 13) The invisible impact of Pivot power is reflected in the doctrine that Jesus Christ controls history on behalf of the Pivot:

Jesus Christ does control history despite Satan's reign over the world. He blesses believers and unbelievers who adhere to the laws of divine establishment. He delivers far greater blessings to believers who execute the protocol plan of God and achieve spiritual maturity.

God is glorified by blessing mature believers. Consistent with God's eternal purpose, Jesus Christ lovingly watches over mature believers, directing the course of history for their advantage. They may not know one another, but God knows each of them. They are the hub, the Pivot on which turns the prosperity of the organizations to which they belong—families ... churches ... cities or nations.¹

- 14) Pivot power is the divine solution to the problems of life including the cycles of discipline to a client nation.
- 15) Pivot power includes regeneration, advance in the protocol plan to the sophisticated spiritual life, and becoming a part of the invisible historical impact that preserves the nation.
- 16) Power politics is the humanistic and Luciferian solution to problems common for a fallen environment.
- 17) Power politics uses propaganda to achieve its goals. If propaganda tactics fail its leaders resort to Draconian laws imposed in a totalitarian effort at central control by an autocratic leader or hierarchy which gravitates toward tyranny.
- 18) With Pivot power, the means is doctrine which justifies the end: spiritual maturity and deliverance of the nation.
- 19) With power politics the end is collective control of the people which justifies whatever means are necessary to achieve the objective.
- 20) Whereas Pivot power emphasizes doctrine, grace, and reliance upon divine Providence, power politics emphasizes change, centralization, and reliance on cosmic panaceas that violate the laws of divine establishment.

¹ R. B. Thieme, Jr., *Christian Suffering*, 3d ed. (Houston: R. B. Thieme, Jr., Bible Ministries, 2002), 49.

11. The measures in the divine decree for arresting historical downtrends include the rise of tyrants, warfare, economic disaster, and death which are portrayed by the Four Horsemen of Revelation 6.
12. The White Horse emphasizes incompetence of political leadership in both domestic and foreign policy.
13. This leads to unintended consequences involving opposing elements foreign and domestic. These result in internal conflicts of either governmental tyranny or public rebellion within or warfare against predator nations or terrorist organizations without.
14. This is portrayed by the Fiery Red Horse in which warfare is prolonged because of incompetence by civilian leadership. This costs the lives of valiant warriors while bleeding the national treasury.
15. The Fiery Red Horse represents war without victory! Precisely where we find ourselves in Iraq and Afghanistan. Our intent was to “nation build” in Afghanistan but what is actually taking place is that Islam is nation building right here in the United States. This is change we don’t want to believe in.
16. Islam now has a Fifth Column inside the walls of former Fortress America and is using our childlike fascination with political correctness to move inexorably forward with their plan to supplant our Constitution with Shari’a law.
17. When national leadership is incompetent or driven by delusions of grandeur, then two things inevitably result: warfare and economic disaster: political disaster results in foreign policy disaster followed by economic disaster: White Horse = Fiery Red Horse + Black Horse.
18. The illustration of economic disaster follows next in the verse:
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