

them samchut (authority) over a quarter of ha'aretz (the earth), to kill with cherev (sword) and with ra'av (famine) and with mavet (death) and by the chayyot (beasts) of ha'aretz (the earth). [ZECHARYAH 6:3; HOSHEA 13:14; YIRMEYAH 15:2,3; 24:10; YECHEZKEL 5:12,17]

|9| And when he opened the chotam hachamishi (fifth seal), I saw underneath the Mizbe'ach (altar) the nefashot (souls) of the ones having died al kiddush ha-Shem, having been slain as martyrs because of the dvar Hashem (word of G-d) and because of their solemn eidus (testimony) which they had given. [SHEMOT 29:12; VAYIKRA 4:7]

|10| And they cried out, saying, Rabbono shel Olam, HaKadosh and HaNe'eman, ad mosai (how much longer) is it to be until you judge and avenge dahmeinu (our blood) on the inhabitants of ha'aretz (the earth)? [TEHILLIM 119:84; ZECHARYAH 1:12; DEVARIM 32:43; MELACHIM BAIS 9:7; TEHILLIM 79:10]

|11| And they were each given a kittel (white robe) and it was told them that they will rest yet a little while, until the mispar (number) should be complete of their fellow avadim (servants) and their Achim b'Moshiach, the ones about to die al kiddush ha-Shem, being about to be killed as martyrs as they were.

|12| And I saw when he opened the chotam hashishi (sixth seal), a great earthquake occurred and the shemesh (sun) became shakhor (black) as sackcloth made of hair and the whole levanah (moon) became like dahm. [Ps 97:4; Isa 29:6; Ezek 38:19; Isa 50:3]

|13| And the kokhavim (stars) of Shomayim fell to ha'aretz

(the earth), as an etz te'elah (fig tree) casts off its unripe figs when being shaken by a great wind. [YESHAYAH 34:4] |14| And Shomayim split apart as a megillah scroll being rolled up; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places. [TEHILLIM 46:2; YESHAYAH 54:10; YIRMEYAH 4:24; YECHEZKEL 38:20; NACHUM 1:5]

|15| And the melachim (kings) of ha'aretz (the earth) and the gedolim (great ones) and the military leaders and the oishirim (rich men) and the strong men and all avadim (slaves) and Bnei Chorin (freedmen) hid themselves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains. [YESHAYAH 2:10,19,21]

|16| And they say to the mountains and to the rocks, Fall on us and hide us from the face of the One sitting on the Kes (Throne) and from the za'am (wrath, anger, 16:1f) of the SEH (Lamb, *SHEMOT* 12:3; *YESHAYAH* 53:7 *Moshiach*), [HOSHEA 10:8]

|17| Because the Yom HaGadol, the Yom HaZa'am, the Great Day of Their Wrath has come, and who is able to stand? [Joel 1:15; 2:1,2,11,31; Zeph 1:14,15; Nah 1:6; Mal 3:2]

**7** After this I saw arba'ah malachim (angels) taking their stand on the arbah pinot ha'aretz (the four corners of the earth), holding the four winds of ha'aretz (the earth) so that wind should not blow on ha'aretz (the earth) nor on the yam (sea) nor on any etz (tree). [YESHAYAH 11:12; YIRMEYAH 49:36; YECHEZKEL 37:9; DANIEL 7:2; ZECHARYAH 6:5]

|2| And I saw another malach (angel) coming up from the rising of the shemesh (sun), having a chotam (seal) of the

Elohim Chayyim (Living G-d), and he cried with a kol gadol (loud voice) to the four malachim (angels). These were the malachim to whom it was given to harm ha'aretz (the earth) and hayam (the sea), |3| Saying, Do not harm ha'aretz (the earth) nor hayam (the sea) nor haetzim (the trees), until we have marked with the chotam (seal) the avadim (servants) of Eloheinu upon their metsakhim (foreheads). [YECHEZKEL 9:4]

|4| And I heard the mispar (number) of the ones having been sealed, 144,000, having been marked with the chotam (seal) from kol shivtei Bnei Yisroel (every tribe of the Sons of Israel),

|5| Of the shevet of Yehudah, 12,000 having been sealed; of the shevet of Re'uven, 12,000, of the shevet of Gad, 12,000, |6| Of the shevet of Asher, 12,000, of the shevet of Naphtali, 12,000, of the shevet of M'nasheh, 12,000,

|7| Of the shevet of Shim'on, 12,000, of the shevet of Levi, 12,000, of the shevet of Yissass'khar, 12,000,

|8| Of the shevet of Z'vulun, 12,000, of the shevet of Yosef, 12,000, of the shevet of Binyamin, 12,000.

|9| After these things I looked, and, hinei, a great multitude, which to number no one was being able, out of every nation and from shevatim (tribes) and haumim (the peoples) and lashonot (tongues), standing before the Kes (Throne) and before the SEH (Lamb, *SHEMOT* 12:3; *YESHAYAH* 53:7 *Moshiach*), each clothed with a kittel and lulavim in their hands.

|10| And they cried with a kol gadol (loud voice), saying, Yeshu'at Eloheinu is of Hashem,