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	Pestilence –
	Pestilence (Plague) means a deadly and overwhelming disease that affects an entire population. The Black Plague, a disease that killed over thirty percent of Europe's population, was certainly a pestilence. Pestilence is also one of the four Horseman of the Apocalypse in the book of Revelation.
7 Luke 11 – Wrath on Israel	
	<sup>20</sup> "When you see Jerusalem being surrounded by armies, you will know that its desolation is near. <sup>21</sup> Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, let those in the city get out, and let those in the country not enter the city.
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	<sup>22</sup> For this is the time of punishment in fulfillment of all that has been written. <sup>23</sup> How dreadful it will be in those days for pregnant women and nursing mothers!
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- Wars and revolutions

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- Great earthquakes
- Famines
- Pestilences
- Great signs from heaven
- Jerusalem restored to Israel (Gentiles out)

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#### 18 1 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17

"For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first.

After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever."

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