

Fourth Vial: Men Scorched Revelation 16: 8-9

SCRIPTURE

Chapter 16

⁸ And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire. ⁹ And men were scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues: and they repented not to give Him glory.

COMMENTARY

The fourth vial is poured out upon the sun. The sun, which was diminished by a third at the fourth trumpet (Revelation 8:12-13), is now magnified in its intensity. Men are scorched with the intense heat from the sun, and not having water to drink will intensify their suffering.

Instead of repenting from their sin, they blaspheme God because of their misery. William R. Newell once said, "If men are not won by grace, they will never be won."