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### **Answering Ten Questions**



- 1) What is the title Revelation of Jesus Christ
- 2) Who wrote it? <u>John</u>
- 3) Where was it written from? Patmos
- 4) To Whom was it written? <u>The Seven Churches</u>
- 5) When was it written? <u>A.D. 95</u>
- 6) How is it organized (outline)? 3 part outline
- 7) How was it delivered <u>Seven steps</u>
- 8) Why was it written? Encouragement and holiness
- 9) What is it about? <u>Jesus' final victory</u>
- 10) What makes the book different? OT relationship

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### Prologue (Rev. 1:1-8)

- Title (1a)
- II. Chain of Communication (1b-2)
- III. Blessing (3)
- IV. Author (4a)
- V. Audience (4b)
- VI. Greeting (4c)
- VII. Source (4d-5a)
- VIII. Subject (5b-8)




# Revelation 1:19 "Therefore write the things which you have seen, and the things which are, and the things which will take place after these things [meta tauta]."

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- Are (Chapters 2–3)
- After these things (Chapters 4–22)



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- 1. Destination
- 2. Description of Christ (Rev. 1)
- 3. Commendation
- 4. Rebuke
- 5. Exhortation to change
- 6. Consequence
- 7. Exhortation to listen
- 8. Promise to overcomers (Rev. 21–22)

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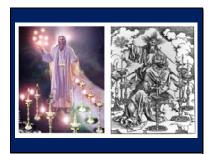


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- 2. Description of Christ to Thyatira (Rev. 3:1b)
- A. Has the seven Spirits of God
- B. Has the seven stars



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### 5. So What? - Points of Application!





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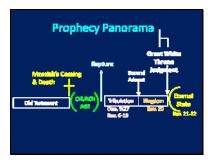
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# Philippians 3:9 <sup>9</sup> "and may be found in Him, not having a righteousness of my own derived from the Law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which comes from God on the basis of faith."

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Revelation 5:5

"and one of the elders said to me, 'Stop weeping; behold, the Lion that is from the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has overcome [nikaō] so as to open the book and its seven seals."

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"These things I have spoken to you, so that in Me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation, but take courage; I have overcome [nikaō; perfect tense] the world."

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"You are from God, little children, and have overcome [nikaō; perfect tense] them; because greater is He who is in you than he who is in the world."


# 1 John 5:4-5 "For whatever is born of God overcomes [nikaō] the world, and this is the victory that has overcome [nikaō] the world—our faith. Who is the one who overcomes [nikaō] the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?"

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# Revelation 21:6-8 "6 Then He said to me, 'It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end, I will give to the one who thirsts from the spring of the water of life without cost. 'He who overcomes [nikaō] will inherit these things, and I will be his God and he will be My son, 8 But for the cowardly and unbelieving and abominable and murderers and immoral persons and sorcerers and idolaters and all liars, their part will be in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death."

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Incorrect View	Correct View
Imperative verb	Articular participle
Command	Modifies pronoun "he"
Prescriptive	Descriptive
The believer must overcome	The believer is an overcoming one
What the believer ought to do	Who the believer already is
Conditions	Statements of fact
Possible benefit	Inevitable benefit
Motivation in the present through potential loss	Motivation in the present through what's inevitably theirs
Keep performing to maintain your position	Let your practice catch up to your position
Position kept through human works	Position maintained through divine grace

Nevelation 3.3
"He who <u>overcomes</u> [all believers; nikaō] will thus
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### "My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me; <sup>28</sup> and I give eternal life to them, and they will <u>never perish</u> [ou mē; aiōnia]; and no one will snatch them out of My hand. 29 My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and <u>no one is able to snatch them</u> out of the Father's hand."

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# Philippints 4:2-3 "2 I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to live in harmony in the Lord,3 Indeed, true companion, I ask you also to help these women who have shared my struggle in the cause of the gospel, together with Clement also and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the book of life."

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### "17 The seventy returned with joy, saying, 'Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your name'....20 'Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are recorded in heaven."

Luke 10:17, 20



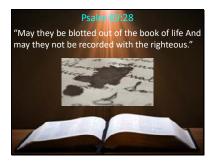

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Two Books						
Title?	Book of Life	Lamb's Book of life				
Kind of life recorded?	Physical life	Spiritual life				
When recorded?	Conception	Regeneration				
Which Testament?	Old Testament	New Testament				
Scripture?	Exod. 32:32; Ps. 69:28	Luke 10:20; Rev. 3:5; 20:12				




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7. Christ's Promises to Overcomers in Thyatira
(Rev. 3:5)

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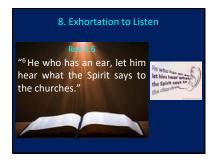
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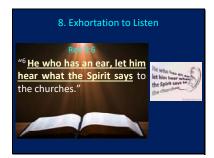
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# Deuteronomy 6:4-7 4 "Hear, O Israel! The Loro is our God, the Loro is one!...<sup>5</sup> These words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart. <sup>7</sup> You shall teach them diligently to your sons and shall talk of them when you sit in your house and when you walk by the way and when you lie down and when you rise up."




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Isa. 1:18-"Come now, and let us reason together," Says the LORD, "Though your sins are as scarlet, They will be as white as snow; Though they are red like crimson, They will be like wool."

Isa. 64:6-For all of us have become like one who is unclean, And all our righteous deeds are like a filthy garment; And all of us wither like a leaf, And our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.

Rom. 3:20-because by the works <sup>[i]</sup>of the Law no flesh will be justified in His sight; for <sup>[j]</sup>through the Law *comes* the knowledge of sin.

Gen. 3:7-Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves [b]loin coverings.

Gen. 3:21-The LORD God made garments of skin for Adam and his wife, and clothed them.

Philip. 3:4-8-<sup>4</sup> although I myself might have confidence even in the flesh. If anyone else has a mind to put confidence in the flesh, I far more: <sup>5</sup> circumcised the eighth day, of the nation of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the Law, a Pharisee; <sup>6</sup> as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to the righteousness which is in the Law,

found blameless.<sup>7</sup> But whatever things were gain to me, those things I have counted as loss for the sake of Christ. <sup>8</sup> More than that, I count all things to be loss <sup>[c]</sup> in view of the surpassing value of <sup>[d]</sup> knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, <sup>[e]</sup> for whom I have

suffered the loss of all things, and count them but rubbish so that I may gain Christ,

Philip. 3:9- and may be found in Him, not having a righteousness of my own derived from *the* Law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which *comes* from God on the basis of faith.

Chuck Smith song-"When the judge shall at last call my name from the throne and say who will answer for this guilty soul? Through the darkness I see He will be waiting for me and His sweet voice will say I will answer for thee."

Rev. 20:12 - And I saw the dead, the great and the small, standing before the throne, and books were opened; and another book was opened, which is the book of life; and the dead were judged from the things which were written in the books, according to their deeds.

### **Conclusion**

Luke 10:20-Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are recorded in heaven.

Num. 6:24-26- The LORD bless you, and keep you; <sup>25</sup> The LORD make His face shine on you, And be gracious to you; <sup>26</sup> The LORD lift up His countenance on you, And give you peace.'