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Answering Ten Questions



- 1) What is the title <u>Revelation of Jesus Christ</u>
- 2) Who wrote it? <u>John</u>
- 3) Where was it written from? Patmos
- 4) To Whom was it written? The Seven Churches
- 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
- What is it about? Jesus' final victory
- 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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- Seen (Chapter 1)
- Are (Chapters 2–3)
- After these things (Chapters 4–22)



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Pattern of the Letters in Revelation 2–3

- 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)

DESCRIPTION OF THE SEVEN CHURCHES Revelation 2–3					
CHURCH	SCRIPTURE	DESCRIPTION			
Ephesus	2:1-7	Loveless			
Smyrna	2:8-11	Persecuted			
Pergamum	2:12-17	Compromised			
Thyatira	2:18-29	Corrupt			
Sardis	3:1-6	Dead			
Philadelphia	3:7-13	Missionary			
Laodicea	3:14-22	Man-centered			

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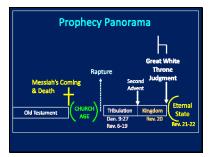
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"After these things [meta tauta] I looked, and behold, a door standing open in heaven, and the first voice which I had heard, like the sound of a trumpet speaking with me, said, "Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after these things [meta tauta].""

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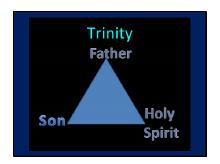
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Comparing Revelation 4 & 5				
Chapter	Revelation 4	Revelation 5		
God-head Member	Father	Son		
Role	Creator	Redeemer		
Reason for Worship	Role in Creation (4:11)	Role in Redemption (5:9, 12)		

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The Bible's Many Raptures

- Enoch (Gen 5)
- Elijah (2 Kings 2)
- Christ (Acts 1:11; Rev 12:5)
- Philip (Acts 8:39)
- Paul (2 Cor 12:2, 4)
- John (Rev 4:1-2)
- Two witnesses (Rev 11)



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INSPIRATION OF SCRIPTURE 2 Peter 1:20-21

- Men Wrote as they were inspired by Holy Spirit "phero" = to carry Acts 27:15,17
- Opposite of Knowledge of False Teachers
 Which is their own imagination
 Jer. 23:16

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Instantaneous (1 Cor 15:52)

- Twinkling of an eye
- Flash or moment
- Split second
- Atomos (Greek) = atom (English)



2 Timothy 3:46-17

"All Scripture is inspired by God [theopneustos] and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work."

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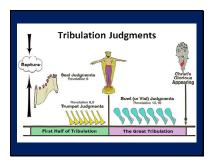
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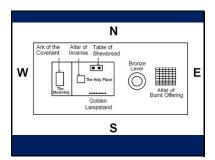
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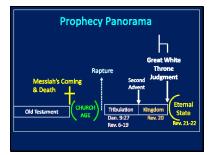
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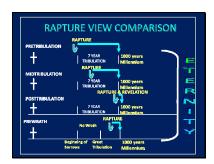


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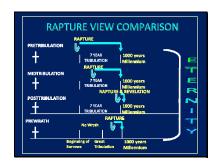
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Scripture's Five Crowns (Rev 4:10: 3:11; 2 John 8)					
SCRIPTURE	CROWN	PURPOSE			
1 Cor. 9:24-27	Incorruptible	Gaining mastery over the flesh			
1 Thess. 2:19-20	Rejoicing	Soul winning			
Jas. 1:12; Rev. 2:10	Life	Enduring trials			
1 Pet. 5:2-4	Glory	Shepherding God's people			
2 Tim. 4:8	Righteousness	Longing for His appearing			



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1 Corinthians 3:10-15 "14 If any man's work which he has built on it remains, he will receive a reward. 15 If any man's work is burned up, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire."

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1 Corinthians 9:24-27

"²⁴ Do you not know that those who run in a race all run, but *only* one receives the prize? Run in such a way that you may win. ²⁵ Everyone who competes in the games exercises self-control in all things. They then *do it* to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. ²⁶ Therefore I run in such a way, as not without aim; I box in such a way, as not beating the air; ²⁷ but I discipline my body and make it my slave, so that, after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified."

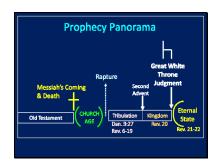
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Revelation 11:15

15 "Then the seventh angel sounded; and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, 'The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ; and He will reign forever and ever."

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Gal. 3:28-There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free man, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

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1 Cor. 15:52-in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet; for the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised [r]imperishable, and we will be changed.

2 Cor. 12:2-3-² I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago—whether in the body I do not know, or out of the body I do not know, God knows—such a man was caught up to the third heaven. ³ And I know how such a man—whether in the body or apart from the body I do not know, God knows—

Rev. 1:10-I was [h]in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like *the sound* of a trumpet.

2 Pet. 1:20-21-But know this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is *a matter* of one's own interpretation, ²¹ for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.

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Dan. 12:1-2-Now at that time Michael, the great prince who stands *guard* over the sons of your people, will arise. And there will be a time of distress such as never occurred since there was a nation until that time; and at that time your people, everyone who is found written in the book, will be rescued. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the ground will awake, these to everlasting life, but the others to disgrace *and* everlasting [a]contempt.

Rev. 20:4-Then I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was given to them. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of [b] their testimony of Jesus and because of the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received the mark on their forehead and on their hand; and they came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years.

- Luke 1:19-The angel answered and said to him, "I am <u>Gabriel</u>, who ^[o]stands in the presence of God, and I have been sent to speak to you and to bring you this good news.
- Rev. 5:11-Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels around the throne and the living creatures and the elders; and the number of them was myriads of myriads, and thousands of thousands.
- Rev. 7:11-And all the <u>angels were standing around the throne</u> and <u>around the elders and the four living creatures</u>; and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God.
- Rev. 2:10-Do not fear what you are about to suffer. Behold, the devil is about to cast some of you into prison, so that you will be tested, and you will have tribulation for ten days. [f]Be faithful until death, and I will give you the **crown of life**.
- Rev. 3:11-I am coming quickly; hold fast what you have, so that no one will take your **crown**.
- Rev. 3:5-He who overcomes will thus be <u>clothed in white</u> <u>garments</u>; and I will not erase his name from the book of life, and I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels.
- Rev. 5:8-9-When He had taken the hook, the four living creatures and the <u>twenty-four elders</u> fell down before the Lamb, each one holding a harp and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. And they sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are You to take the book and to break its seals; for You were slain, and <u>purchased for God with Your blood</u> men from every tribe and tongue and people and nation.

Rev. 3:21-He who overcomes, I will grant to him to sit down with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and **sat down with My Father on His throne**.

Acts 20:17-From Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called to him the elders of the church.

Rev. 5:10-¹⁰ "You have made them *to be* a kingdom and priests to our God; and they will reign upon the earth."

Rev. 1:6-and He has made us to be <u>a kingdom</u>, <u>priests</u> to [e]His God and Father—to Him be the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

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Job 37:4-After it, a voice roars; He thunders with His majestic voice, And He does not restrain [b] the lightnings when His voice is heard.

Rev. 1:4-John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace, from Him who is and who was and who [c] is to come, and from **the seven Spirits** who are before His throne.

Rev. 3:1-To the angel of the church in Sardis write: He who has **the seven Spirits of God** and the seven stars, says this: 'I know your deeds, that you have a name that you are alive, [a] but you are dead.

1 Thess. 5:19-Do not quench the Spirit.

Rev. 1:20-As for the mystery of the seven stars which you saw in My right hand, and the seven golden lampstands: the seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and **the seven lampstands** are the seven churches.

Gen. 1:6-7-⁶ Then God said, "Let there be [e] an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." ⁷ God made the [f] expanse, and separated the waters which were below the [g] expanse from the waters which were above the [h] expanse; and it was so. ⁸ God called the [i] expanse heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, a second day.

2 Cor. 12:2-I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago—whether in the body I do not know, or out of the body I do not know, God knows—such a man was caught up to **the third** heaven.

1 Kgs. 7:23-Now he made the sea of cast *metal* ten cubits from brim to brim, circular in form, and its height was five cubits, and [h]thirty cubits in circumference.

Isaiah 6:2-6-² Seraphim stood above Him, each having six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. ³ And one called out to another and said, "Holy, Holy, is the LORD of hosts, The ^[a]whole earth is full of His glory." ⁴ And the ^[b]foundations of the thresholds trembled at the voice of him who called out, while the ^[c]temple was filling with smoke. ⁵ Then I said, "Woe is me, for I am ruined! Because I am a man of unclean lips, And I live among a people of unclean lips; For my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts." ⁶ Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a burning coal in his hand, which he had taken from the altar with tongs.

1 Pet. 1:12-It was revealed to them that they were not serving themselves, but you, in these things which now have been announced to you through those who preached the gospel to you

by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven—things into which angels long to look.

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Ps. 90:2-Before the mountains were born Or You gave birth to the earth and the world, Even **from everlasting to everlasting, You are God**.

Rom. 16:26-but now is manifested, and by the Scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of **the eternal God**, has been made known to all the nations, *leading* to obedience of faith.

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Ps. 110:1-The LORD says to my Lord: "Sit at My right hand Until I make Your enemies a footstool for Your feet."

Rom. 1:18-24-18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who suppress the truth [1] in unrighteousness, 19 because that which is known about God is evident [m] within them; for God made it evident to them. ²⁰ For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, so that they are without excuse. ²¹ For even though they knew God, they did not [n]honor Him as God or give thanks, but they became futile in speculations, and their foolish heart darkened. ²² Professing be wise, they to fools, 23 and exchanged the glory of the incorruptible God for an image in the form of corruptible man and of birds and four-footed animals and [o]crawling creatures. ²⁴ Therefore God gave them over in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, so that their bodies would be dishonored among them.

Rev. 5:9-9 And they *sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are You to take the [i]book and to break its seals; for You were slain, and purchased for God with Your blood men from every tribe and tongue and people and nation.

Rev. 5:12- saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing."

Conclusion

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