

## **Study of Revelation week 3 (Chapter 1:1-11)**

### **V1-5 / 3 keys to Understanding Revelation**

1. Revelation – Apocalypse Greek word meaning \_\_\_\_\_
2. Quickly or soon – meant to be in the near future
3. Signified- (in most literal Greek translations KJV, HCSB, ASV) meaning symbolizing. The language and the message is symbolic of what is to take place.

### **Those who are blessed by this book**

1. Readers- These were those who read the letter or more appropriately performed the letter to a church
2. Hearer- those listening to the message
3. Keepers- those who hold on to the message of hope to the letter

**Who was the audience?** \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ represented completion. So this meant all the churches and all of these churches were at major points of exchange for the letters.

**When it was written?** Thought to be written around \_\_\_\_\_ which was during the reign of the persecuting roman emperor \_\_\_\_\_ who died in \_\_\_\_\_ which is important to help see this letter as a message of Hope to those who are hearing it.

**V9-11 / Who is the author?** \_\_\_\_\_

Why?

1. Many apostles did not refer to themselves as apostles when they saw the message as more important and were writing letters.
2. His Greek would have not been proper because he was in prison no access to a scribe and he is writing a letter not a book.
3. He is referred to as John the apostle who wrote a revelation he received from Christ by Justin the Martyr an early church father who was alive when John was.

**Where was it written?** Island of \_\_\_\_\_ which was an Island of \_\_\_\_\_ by Domitian.

### **V 10**

“I was in the spirit” means that the spirit was revealing something to him through a trance which was common as you look at the stories of Peter and Paul who experienced the same things

The Lords Day- Some think this means the last day or return of Christ but the Lords day to the early Christians was designated as Sunday because it was the beginning of the week when they met together as community (Acts). The Sabbath was Saturday which meant a day of rest it was the end of the week or the completion of the week which is why it is the seventh day.