

# Revelation 1:1-3 Jesus is Coming Soon

The Book of Revelation is supposed to reveal Jesus to us. We should hope that we can have a personal revelation of Jesus before He comes back for us. And He is coming quickly.

Topic- End Times

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Who here has done a verse by verse study through the book of Revelation before?

-Who here feels like they understand the book of Revelation well?

278 of the 404 verses in Revelation contain either quotes or allusions to the Old Testament.

\*OT Cross references

1:1 = Daniel 2:28-29	4:2 = Isaiah 6:1; Ezekiel 1:28-28;	8:3 = Psalm 141:2	12:3 = Isaiah 27:1; Daniel 7:7, 20, 24	16:3 = Exodus 7:17-25	19:17 = Isaiah 34:6-7; Ezekiel 39:17
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History of John: From Calvary to Patmos

Revelation = apokalypsis(ἀποκάλυψις); 1) laying bare, making naked; 2) a disclosure of truth, instruction

-Apo = Separation away from + kalyptō = to hide/veil

Genesis & Revelation are two of the most attacked books in the Bible because:

-They teach us about our origins and our destiny

-They remind Satan of his origin and destiny

-They ultimately show that God created the earth, and thus He owns it, and that He is coming back to judge.

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“of Jesus Christ”

Can be either 1) The revelation belonging to Jesus, or 2) The revelation concerning Jesus.

\*Clark Kent

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Too many people get caught up in WHAT Revelation reveals is coming, and they miss the WHO.

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“which God gave Him to show His servants”

Revelation is a book that was intended for us to read, hear, and understand.

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“things which must shortly take place”

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“And He sent and signified it by His angel to His servant John”

signified = sēmainō(σημαίνω); 6x; 1) to give a sign, to signify, indicate; 2) to make known

-3/6 in John's Gospel, “signifying by what death He would die.”

-John 21:19, “when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will gird you and carry you where you do not wish.”

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“by His angel”

Revelation 17:7 — But the angel said to me, “Why did you marvel? I will tell you the mystery of the woman and of the beast that carries her, which has the seven heads and the ten horns.

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*“who bore witness to the word of God, and to the testimony of Jesus Christ, to all things that he saw.”*

John records what he SAW.

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Seven Beatitudes of Revelation:

1:3, 14:13, 16:15, 19:9, 20:6, 22:7, & 22:14

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“Blessed is he who reads and those who hear the words of this prophecy”

“He who reads” = singular (the teacher)

- “those who hear” = plural (the congregation)

Do you hear AND read?

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“and keep those things which are written in it”

James 1:22 — But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.

Revelation 2:5 — “Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent and do the first works...”

- Revelation 2:10 — “Do not fear any of those things which you are about to suffer.. Be faithful until death...”

- Revelation 3:11 — “Hold fast what you have, that no one may take your crown.”

- Revelation 3:20 — “Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me.”

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“for the time is near.”

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## How short is short?

Shortly can mean shortly, but it can also mean suddenly.

In the NT and OT, the same Greek word (tachos) is used to describe events happening “soon” (in a short time) as well as suddenly (coming swiftly.)

Deuteronomy 7:4 — “For they will turn your sons away from following Me, to serve other gods; so the anger of the LORD will be aroused against you and destroy you suddenly.

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WHAT was coming shortly?

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Shortly can also imply imminently.

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Matthew 24:32 — “Now learn this parable from the fig tree: When its branch has already become tender and puts forth leaves, you know that summer is near.

Luke 21:28 — “Now when these things begin to happen, look up and lift up your heads, because your redemption draws near.”

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Many events would lead up to the Tribulation.

Matthew 24:4-8 — And Jesus answered and said to them: “Take heed that no one deceives you. “For many will come in My name, saying, ‘I am the Christ,’ and will deceive many. “And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not troubled; for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. “For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various places. “All these are the beginning of sorrows.

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Romans 16:20 — And the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.

-Has this happened? What did Paul mean by soon?

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Does the Bible teach a delay in His coming?

Luke 18:7-8 — “And shall God not avenge His own elect who cry out day and night to Him, though He bears long with them? “I tell you that He will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of Man comes, will He really find faith on the earth?”

Matthew 24:45-51 — “Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his master made ruler over his household, to give them food in due season? “Blessed is that servant whom his master, when he comes, will find so doing. “Assuredly, I say to you that he will make him ruler over all his goods. “But if that evil servant says in his heart, ‘My master is delaying his coming,’ “and begins to beat his fellow servants, and to eat and drink with the drunkards, “the master of that servant will come on a day when he is not looking for him and at an hour that he is not aware of, “and will cut him in two and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites. There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

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2 Peter 3:3-4 — knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts, and saying, “Where is the promise of His coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation.”

2 Peter 3:8-9 — But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.

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Who is Coming?

Psalms 2:1-4 — Why do the nations rage, And the people plot a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, And the rulers take counsel together, Against the LORD and against His Anointed, saying, “Let us break Their bonds in pieces And cast away Their cords from us.” He who sits in the heavens shall laugh; The Lord shall hold them in derision.

The Conquering King

Revelation 19:11-16 — Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war. His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a name written that no

one knew except Himself. He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses. Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And He has on His robe and on His thigh a name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

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#### The Vengeful Divine Warrior

Romans 12:19 — Beloved, do not avenge yourselves, but rather give place to wrath; for it is written, “Vengeance is Mine, I will repay,” says the Lord.

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Isaiah 63:2-3 & 6 — Why is Your apparel red, And Your garments like one who treads in the winepress? “I have trodden the winepress alone, And from the peoples no one was with Me. For I have trodden them in My anger, And trampled them in My fury; Their blood is sprinkled upon My garments, And I have stained all My robes.... I have trodden down the peoples in My anger, Made them drunk in My fury, And brought down their strength to the earth.”

Zechariah 14:12 — And this shall be the plague with which the LORD will strike all the people who fought against Jerusalem: Their flesh shall dissolve while they stand on their feet, Their eyes shall dissolve in their sockets, And their tongues shall dissolve in their mouths.

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#### The Righteous Judge

Matthew 25:31-33 — “When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. “All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats. “And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left.

Matthew 25:41 & 46 — “Then He will also say to those on the left hand, ‘Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels... And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

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Hebrews 10:31 — It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

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Who is Coming?

The Names of Jesus

Unique Titles of Jesus in Revelation:

Firstborn from the Dead – 1:5

Ruler over the kings of the earth – 1:5

He who lives, and was dead, and is alive forevermore – 1:18

Holder of the seven stars / walker among lampstands – 2:1

He who has the sharp two-edged sword – 2:12

Son of God – 2:18

He who has eyes like a flame of fire, and feet like fine brass – 2:18

He who has the seven Spirits of God and the seven stars – 3:1

He who is holy and true / He who has the key of David – 3:7

The Amen, the Beginning of the creation of God – 3:14

Lion of the tribe of Judah – 5:5

Root of David – 5:5

Your Christ – 11:15

The Word of God – 19:13

Root and Offspring of David – 22:16

Bright and Morning Star – 22:16

More Frequent:

-Jesus Christ – 4 times

(Rev 1:1, 2, 5; 22:21)

-Faithful and True / Faithful Witness – 3 times

(Rev 1:5; 3:14; 19:11)

-Alpha and the Omega / First and the Last / Beginning and the End – 3 times

(Rev 1:8, 17; 22:13)

-Son of Man – 2 times

(Rev 1:13; 14:14)

-Lord of lords and King of kings – 2 times

(Rev 17:14; 19:16)

By Far The Most Frequent:

-The Lamb – 28 times

(Rev 5:6, 8, 12, 13; 6:1, 16; 7:9–10, 14, 17; 12:11; 13:8; 14:1, 4, 10; 15:3; 17:14; 19:7, 9; 21:9, 14, 22–23, 27; 22:1, 3)

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John 1:29 — “Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!”

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Revelation 1:5b-6 — To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood, and has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.