









TURN TO JESUS REVELATION 1:10-2:7



"...he fell into a trance 11 and saw heaven opened and an object like..."

2 COR 12:1-4 CSB

"I will move on to visions and revelations of the Lord. 2 I know a man in Christ who was caught up to the third heaven fourteen years ago. Whether he was in the body or out of the body, I don't know; God knows.

2 COR 12:1-4 CSB

3 I know that this man -- whether in the body or out of the body I don't know; God knows -- 4 was caught up into paradise and heard inexpressible words, which a human being is not allowed to speak.

IT'S NOT YOUR DAY IT'S THE LORD'S DAY.

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COL 2:16-17

"So let no one judge you in food or in drink, or regarding a festival or a new moon or sabbaths, 17 which are a shadow of things to come, but the substance is of Christ."

REV 4:1 CSB

"After this I looked, and there in heaven was an open door. The first voice that I had heard <u>speaking to me</u> like a trumpet said, "Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this."



"For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first.



17 Then we who are alive and remain shall be <u>caught up together</u> with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air."

THE SPIRIT PRODUCES THE LIGHT THE CHURCH EXPOSES THE LIGHT.





"For you were once darkness, but now" you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light. 11 And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose them."

MAT 5:14-16

"You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house.



16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven."

THE BRIGHTNESS OF OUR LIGHT IS FOUND IN OUR NEARNESS TO THE LIGHT.

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IT'S DANGEROUS TO MOVE IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION, WITHOUT THE LORD'S AFFECTION.

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"...fear fell on them all, and the name of the Lord Jesus was magnified. 18 And many who had believed came confessing and telling their deeds.



19 Also, many of those who had practiced magic brought their books together and burned them in the sight of all."



"For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world-our faith."

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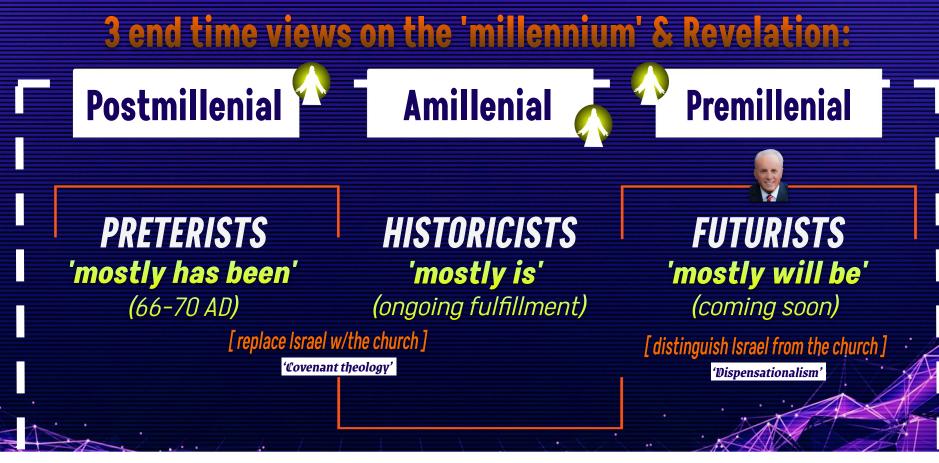
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Sardis	Protestant Reform
Philadelphia	Missionary Era
Laodicea	Modern Period



THE SEVEN CHURCHES OF REVELATION

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EPHESUS	SMYRNA	PERGAMOS	THYATIRA	SARDIS	PHILADELPHIA	LAODICEA
(Rev.2:1-7) ONCE ON FIRE FOR CHRIST, BUT NOW BECOMING INDIFFERENT.	(Rev. 2: 8-11) PERSECUTED, POOR,BUT EVER EAITHFUL AND RESOLUTE !	(Rev.2:12-17) PERMISSIVE, SHELTERING FALSE TEACHERS, FOLLOWING FALSE DOCTRINES.	(Rev.2:18-29) IDOLATROUS, SEDUCED INTO CORRUPT BELIEFS AND PAGAN RITUALS.	(Rev. 3: 1-6) A CHURCH IN NAME ONLY. WITHOUT RESULTS AND SPIRITLESS.	(Rev.3: 7-13) EXEMPLORY! FAITHFUL TO GOD'S WORD AND FILLED WITH HIS LOYE!	(Rev. 3: 14-22) SELF-INDULGENT, RICH, AND OSTENTATIOUS. FULL OF WORLDLY PRIDE.
A BACKSLIDING CHURCH	A STEADFAST CHURCH	A LICENTIOUS CHURCH	A LAX, PAGAN CHURCH	A DEAD CHURCH	A FAYOURED CHURCH	A LUKEWARM CHURCH
CRITICIAM: "Thou hast left thy first love" COUNSEL: "Remember from whence thou art fallen, and repent."	NO CRITICISM ! COUNGEL: "Fear not ! Be faith- ful unto death and I will give thee a Crown of Life !"	CRITICISM: "Thou hast them that hold the doctrines of Baalant and the Nicolaitans" COUNSEL: " Repent, or I will come unto thee quickly!"	CRITICISM: "Thou sufferest that Jezebel to teach and seduce my servants to commit fornication" COUNSEL: "Hold fast to what (title) ye have till I come."	CRITICISM: "Thou hast a <u>name</u> that thou livest and art dead. I have <u>not</u> found thy works perfect" COUNSEL: "Strengthen what (little) remains. Hold fast and repert."	NO CRITICISM ! COUNSEL: "Hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy Crown."	CRITCLISM: "I will spue thee out of my mouth Thou art wretched, miserable, poor. blind and naked COUNSEL: "Buy my gold, and white raiment to clothe theeand anoint thine eyes



"..they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him <u>a thousand years</u>." (20:6)



"Write the things which you have seen, and the things which are, and the things which will take place after this." (1:19)