

## Revelation and Daniel – Revelation 1:9-19

### Verse 9

*I John, your brother and fellow partaker:*

- 1 – *In tribulation* – The persecution they were experiencing as a result of their faith.
- 2 – *In kingdom* – The present and future kingdom of Jesus.
- 3 – *In perseverance* – Their steadfastness in the face of affliction.

*Which are in Jesus.*

### Verse 10

*I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day* – It seems that John was caught up by the Holy Spirit and projected to a future time in a vision.

*The Lord's day* – Some say this refers to Sunday, the day the church worshiped but it more likely refers to “the day of the Lord,” the future time period about which John will write.

### Verses 10-11

*I heard behind me a loud voice like the sound of a trumpet saying, “Write in a book what you see, and send it to the seven churches:*

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| <i>Ephesus</i>  | <i>Sardis</i>       |
| <i>Smyrna</i>   | <i>Philadelphia</i> |
| <i>Pergamum</i> | <i>Laodicea</i>     |
| <i>Thyatira</i> |                     |

### Verse 12

*Seven golden lampstands* – Verse 20 reveals that the seven lampstands are the seven churches of verse 11.

### Verse 13

*One like a son of Man* – This title occurs 30 times in Matthew, 14 times on Mark, 25 times in Luke, and 12 times in John. It is the most often used title of Jesus in the gospels (81 times total). Note Daniel 7:13!

*Clothed in a robe reaching to His feet* – The description is of a priestly robe (Exodus 28).

*Girded across His breast with a golden girdle* – Exodus 28:4, 15, Daniel 10:5.

The picture of Jesus standing in the middle of the 7 lampstands shows us that Jesus is engaged in actual high-priestly ministry for us. He is both judge and priest!

### Verses 14-16 The description of Jesus

*His head and His hair were white like white wool, like snow* – Daniel 7:9 describes God the Father with this same image.

*His eyes were like a flame of fire* – Daniel 10:6, Revelation 2:18, 19:12.

*His feet were like burnished bronze* – Daniel 10:6 This denotes purity of walk and strength.

*His voice was like the sound of many waters* – Ezekiel 14:2, Psalm 93:4, Revelation 14:2.

*In His right hand He held seven stars* – Verse 20 reveals the meaning of the seven stars. The right hand denotes strength and security (John 10:28-29).

*Out of His mouth came a sharp two-edged sword* -This refers to a large sword, the type with which the Romans used to kill. Of the seven uses of this word, six occur in Revelation (1:16, 2:12, 16, 6:8, 19:15, 21). The words of Jesus, both spoken and written, will judge His enemies.

*His face was like the sun shining in its strength* – Daniel 10:6, Matthew 17:1-2

### Verses 17-19 Consequences of the Vision

*I fell at His feet as a dead man...*

*Do not be afraid*

*I am the first and the last*

*I am the living One... I am alive forevermore*

*I have the keys of death and of Hades*