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THE BOOK OF REVELATION

Approaches to Revelation

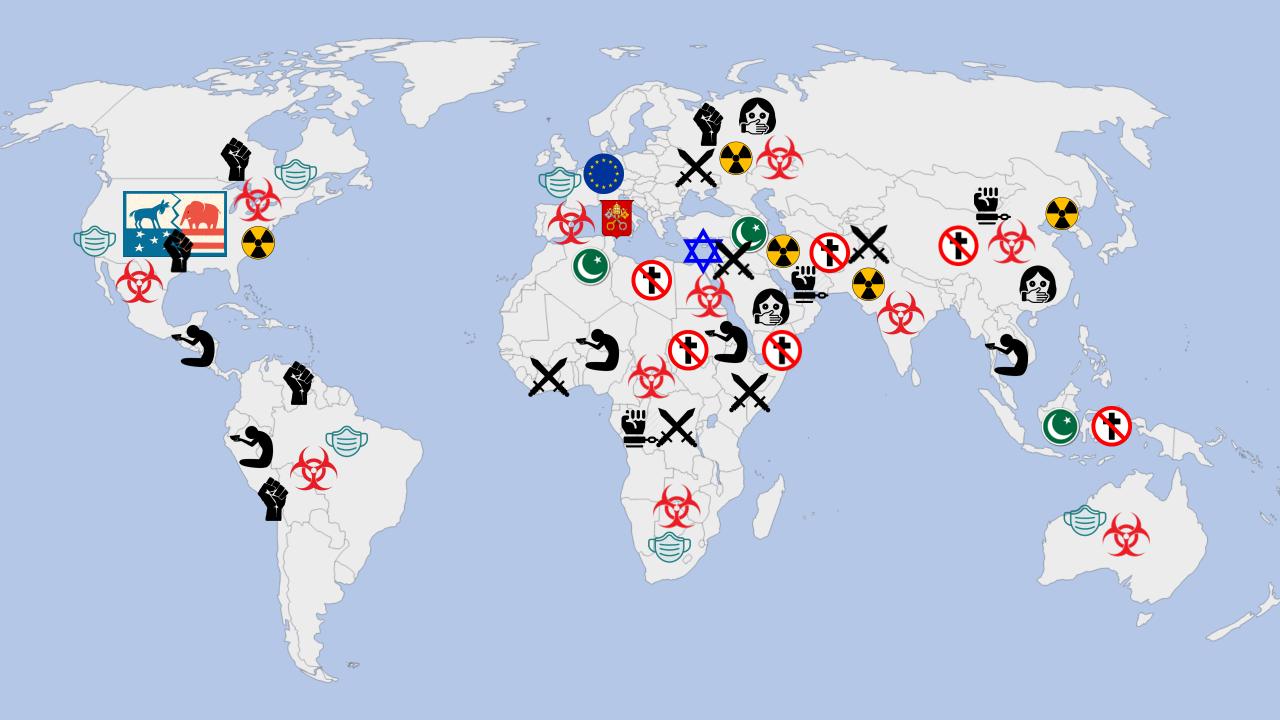
- Preterist Symbolic description of the Roman persecution of the Church in the 1st century.
- Futurist A majority of the book is deals prophetically with future events that will take place immediately preceding the 2nd advent.
- Idealist A symbolic picture of the ongoing cosmic conflict between good and evil.
- Historicist An allegorical panorama of Church history from 1st century until Christ's 2nd advent.

The Unveiling

· An earthly/historical reality

· A spiritual/heavenly reality

A prophetic reality





John, to the seven churches which are in Asia: (WHO HE IS) Grace to you and peace from Him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven Spirits who are before His throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler over the kings of the earth.

(WHAT HE HAS DONE FOR US) 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.

(WHAT HE WILL DO) Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him, even they who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him. Even so, Amen. (WHO HE IS) "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End," says the Lord, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

Revelation 1:4-8

No matter what, HE is present, HE is coming, HE has won!

Then I turned to see the voice that spoke with me. And having turned I saw seven golden lampstands, and in the midst of the seven lampstands One like the Son of Man, clothed with a garment down to the feet and girded about the chest with a golden band. PROBLEM STEERS STEEN

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1:12-13

"I watched then because of the sound of the pompous words which the horn was speaking; I watched till the beast was slain, and its body destroyed and given to the burning flame. As for the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away, yet their lives were prolonged for a season and a time.

"I was watching in the night visions, And behold, One like the Son of Man, Coming with the clouds of heaven! He came to the Ancient of Days, And they brought Him near before Him.

Then to Him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, That all peoples, nations, and languages should serve Him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion, Which shall not pass away, And His kingdom the one Which shall not be destroyed.

Daniel 7:11-14

No matter what, He is present, He is coming, <u>He is in control</u>, He has won!

With everything swirling around me... It's not, "How can I change it, it's HOW WILL I RESPOND?"

The people of God are not reactionary, WE ARE FAITHFUL...



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