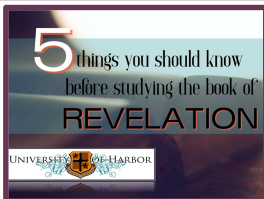


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- Class 1: **Contemporary** Nature of the Book
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Overall Theme of the Book of Revelation

Jesus coming in judgement against first century Israel, who rejected His earthly ministry.

Luke 20:13–18

“Then the owner of the vineyard said, ‘What shall I do? I will send my beloved son; perhaps they will respect him.’ But when the tenants saw him, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir. Let us kill him, so that the inheritance may be ours.’ And they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? He will come and destroy those tenants and give the vineyard to others.” When they heard this, they said, “**Surely not!**” But he looked directly at them and said, “What then is this that is written: “**The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone?** Everyone who falls on that stone will be **broken to pieces**, and when it falls on anyone, it will **crush him.**”

Luke 21:20–22, 31-32

“But when you see **Jerusalem surrounded by armies**, then know that its desolation has come near. Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, and let those who are inside the city depart, and let not those who are out in the country enter it, for these are days of vengeance, to **fulfill all that is written.**” “So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly, I say to you, **this generation will not pass away until all has taken place.**”

Matthew 23:34–36

“Therefore I send you prophets and wise men and scribes, some of whom you will kill and crucify, and some you will flog in your synagogues and persecute from town to town, so that on you may come all the righteous blood shed on earth... Truly, I say to you, all these things will come upon this generation.”

Purpose of Jesus’ Judgement Coming

- 1) To bring a close to the old covenant based on temple sacrifice, and implement the new covenant in Jesus’ blood.
- 2) To reveal the transition from the “unfaithful wife” (rebellious Israel) to the righteous “Bride” (the Church); made up of both believing Jews and gentiles in Christ.
- 3) To communicate hope to the first century church as it enters a time of extreme persecution.
- 4) To predict the pouring out of God’s wrath for the rejection and murder of His Son.
- 5) To promote a worldwide focus on the great commission and Christ’s Kingdom.

Future Prophecy yet to be fulfilled:

- ✓ Jesus’ second coming at the end of time (2nd Advent)
- ✓ The Rapture of the church and Resurrection of the dead
- ✓ The great white throne judgement
- ✓ The judgement of the lost, and eternal blessings of the saved

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PART 1 INTRODUCTION TO BOOK OF REVELATION	INTRODUCTION GIVES SOURCE OF REVELATION, TIMEFRAME, AND AUDIENCE	CHAPTERS 1 Emphasis on “soon” & “the time is near” Jesus among the lampstands 2 7 Letters to 7 first century churches Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, 3 Sardis, Philadelphia, Laodicea
PART 2 JUDGEMENT ON FIRST CENTURY ISRAEL WHO REJECTED THEIR MESSIAH	INTRODUCTION TO PROPHETIC SECTION <u>1ST JUDGEMENT SECTION</u> 7 Seals & 7 Trumpets JERUSALEM HAS BECOME JUST LIKE EGYPT Rev 11:8 Roman troops surround Jerusalem then suddenly withdraw, stopping the siege. This allows the Jewish Christians to escape Jerusalem and flee to the city of Pella (AD 66)	4 The Throne Room in Heaven 24 Elders 4 Living Creatures 5 The Scroll and the Lamb 6 Opening first 6 of the 7 seals <i>The 4 Horsemen</i> 7 The 144,000 of Israel sealed Multitude from every nation 8 Opening of the 7th seal First 4 of 7 trumpets blown 9 5 th and 6 th Trumpets blown 1 st and 2 nd “woe” 10 Mighty Angel with a little scroll 11 The 2 Witnesses The 7 th Trumpet blown
CULMINATING IN THE DESTRUCTION OF THE JERUSALEM TEMPLE IN 70 AD	SUMMARY / TRANSITION <u>2ND JUDGEMENT SECTION</u> 7 Plagues & 7 Bowls JERUSALEM HAS BECOME JUST LIKE BABYLON Rev 18:10, 21 Vespasian lays siege to Jerusalem; eventually his son, Titus, brings about its utter destruction including burning and completely dismantling the temple. (Feb. AD 67 - Aug. AD 70)	12 The Woman versus the Dragon 13 The sea and land Beasts Number of the beast 666 14 The Lamb and the 144,000 15 The 7 Angels with 7 plagues 16 The 7 Bowls of God’s Wrath 17 Great Prostitute and The Beast 18 Fall of Babylon the Great 19 Marriage Supper of the Lamb Rider on a White horse
PART 3 ESTABLISHMENT OF CHRIST’S KINGDOM AND HIS ETERNAL RULE	Church Age (True Israel cont’d) 2 nd Advent – Christ’s Return The Church’s Eternal State CONCLUSION	20 1,000 Year Reign of Christ (Spiritual) Resurrection of Dead, Final judgement 21 New Heaven & New Earth New Jerusalem -12 Tribes/12 Disciples 22 Emphasis on “coming soon” River of Life “Do not seal up book”