

I. John & His Vexation (9)

“I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus.”

II. John & His Vision (10-16)

“I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and...”

- **He heard a commanding voice like a trumpet (10)**
- **He is informed of the eternality of the One speaking, the glorified Christ (17)**
- **He is commanded to write down what he sees in the vision and relay it to 7 churches (11-12)**
- **He saw Christ clothed in priestly garments (13)**
- **He saw Christ with hair which appears as white wool, eyes which appear as fire, and feet which appear to have been bronzed as if in a furnace (14-15)**
- **He hears Christ speaks with a thunderous voice as roaring water (15)**
- **He notes Christ is holding 7 stars in His hand, later revealed as the 7 messengers to the 7 churches (16)**
- **He describes Christ as having a sharp double-edged sword proceeding from His mouth (16)**
- **He beholds Christ radiating the brilliant light of His own unveiled glory (16)**

III. John & His Veneration (17-18)

A. John became an overwhelmed worshiper (17a) - “When I saw Him, I fell at His feet as though dead.”

B. John experienced a personal touch in worship (17a) - “But He laid His right hand on me...”

C. John heard soul-instruction during worship (17b) - “Fear not...”

D. John received big-picture clarity during worship (17c-18) - “I am the first and the last, 18 and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.”