

THE REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST

OUTLINE

I. THE THINGS WHICH JOHN HAD SEEN

(Chap. 1)

A. Title and Salutation

(1:1–8)

B. The Vision of Christ in Judicial Robes

(1:9–20)

I. THE THINGS WHICH JOHN HAD SEEN

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A. Title and Salutation

- 1 The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show His servants-- things which must shortly take place. And He sent and signified it by His angel **to His servant John,**
- 2 who bore witness to the word (LOGOS) of God, and to the testimony (EVIDENCE) of Jesus Christ, to all things that he saw.

8 "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End,"
says the Lord, "who is (PRESENT) and who was (PAST) and
who is to come (FUTURE), the Almighty."

"THE ONE WHO HOLDS SWAY OVER ALL THINGS,
THE RULER OF ALL
ALMIGHTY GOD"

4 John, to the seven churches which are in Asia: 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,

II. THE THINGS WHICH ARE:

Letters from our lord

(Chaps. 2, 3)

- A. To Ephesus (2:1–7)
- B. To Smyrna (2:8–11)
- C. To Pergamos (2:12–17)
- D. To Thyatira (2:18–29)
- E. To Sardis (3: 1–6)
- F. To Philadelphia (3:7–13)
- G. To Laodicea (3:14–22)

III. THE THINGS WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE AFTER THIS

(Chaps. 4–22)

THE REVELATION OF “JESUS CHRIST”

(not the revelation of revelation)

Disclosure

Opening

Uncovering

Appearing-Appearance

LUKE 2

25 And behold, there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon, and this man was just and devout, waiting for “the Consolation of Israel” and the Holy Spirit was upon him.

26 And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ (Messiah-Anointed).

28 he took Him up in his arms and blessed God and said:

29 "Lord, now You are letting Your servant depart in
peace, According to Your word;

30 For my eyes have seen Your salvation

31 Which You have prepared before the face of all peoples
(of Israel)

32 A light to bring revelation (disclosure) to the Gentiles
(ethnos) and the glory of Your people Israel."

1 CORINTHIANS 1

4 I thank my God always concerning you for the grace of
God which was given to you by Christ Jesus,

7 so that you come short in no gift, eagerly waiting for

the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ

8 who will also confirm you **to the end (termination,
completeness of time)** that you may be blameless

in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

2 THESSALONIANS 1

7 and to give you who are troubled rest with us when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels.

1 PETER 1

7 that the genuineness of your faith, being much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

1 PETER 1

13 Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and
rest your hope fully upon the grace
that is to be brought (bring forward) to you
at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

1 PETER 4

13 but rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ's sufferings, that when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy.

REVELATION 1

The REVELATION of Jesus Christ,
which God gave Him to show His servants—
things which must shortly take place.

And He sent and signified it by His angel to His servant
John.

REVELATION 1

v1 The REVELATION (the disclosure, uncovering, taking the lid off) of Jesus Christ, which God gave (THE FATHER GIVES THIS REVELATION) Him: JESUSCHRIST

PURPOSE: to show His servants-- things which must shortly take place.

And He sent (apostello: with a mission) and signified (to give a sign, to make known) it (REVELATION) by (through) His angel to His servant John,

REVELATION

The Nature,
The Battle and
The Victory
of the Inheritance of Jesus Christ.

THE GREAT TRIUMPHANT CRY:

REVELATION 11

15 Then the seventh angel sounded: And there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdoms of this world have become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever!"

16 And the twenty-four elders who sat before God on their thrones fell on their faces and worshiped God,

17 saying: "We give You thanks, O Lord God Almighty, The One who is and who was and who is to come, Because You have taken Your great power and reigned.

BATTLE:

HIS INHERITANCE

HIS KINGDOM

His reign

His rights

PROBLEM:

“Symbolisms”

REVELATION 1

1 The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show His servants-- things which must shortly take place. And He sent and signified (symbolized) it by His angel to His servant John,

NUMBER 7

Mentioned fifty-four times

The phrase "Lord God Almighty" is used seven times throughout this book (Rev 1:8; 4:8; 11:17; 15:3; 16:7; 19:6; 21:22).

Jesus says "I am coming" or "I am coming quickly" seven times (Rev 2:5, 16; 3:11; 16:15; 22:7, 12, 20).

TIME OF PERSECUTION

Roman empire

(but Rome is not mentioned)

“BABYLON”

NATURE AND PURPOSE OF THIS BOOK

CONSUMMATION OF THE AGES

“The whole Bible”

Creation, sin, redemption

THE FATHER, THE SON AND THE HOLY SPIRIT

The history and the purpose of man

SATAN: his creation, his work and his doom

Four hundred allusions of The Old Testament

Gathering and completion of all things

ISSUE:

Who is going to govern the universe?

Who is going to rule the earth?

(through eternal ages)

END:

REVELATION 21

10 And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me the great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God,

THE CENTER OF THE UNIVERSE

The Government of God “out of heaven”

At the center:

THE NATURE OF GOD'S SON AS SON OF MAN

Standing over everything

Not because of his power

BECAUSE OF HIS CHARACTER

HE IS WORTHY!!

If ever there was a time in the history of this cosmos
when the conflict, the battle for the government
of this universe was raging;

that time is now!

WHO IS GOING TO HAVE DOMINION?

In the middle of this conflict:

THE CHURCH

The people of God

THE PURPOSE OF GOD IN CREATION

REVELATION 4

10 the twenty-four elders fall down before Him who sits on the throne and worship Him who lives forever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying:

11 "You are worthy, O Lord, To receive glory and honor and power; For You created all things, And by Your will (desire, pleasure) they exist and were created."

THE CENTER OF CREATION:

THE THRONE

The song:

“For your delight”

Then....chapter 5

REVELATION 5

9 And they sang a new song, saying: "You are worthy to take the scroll, And to open its seals; For You were slain, And have redeemed us to God by Your blood Out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation,

10 And have made us kings and priests to our God; And we shall reign on the earth."

THE CENTER OF CREATION:

THE THRONE

The song:

“For your delight”

REDEMPTION HAS BROUGHT THE THRONE
TO THE CENTER OF ETERNAL GOVERNMENT

THE CENTER OF CREATION:

THE THRONE

THE SON

Supreme

Lord of Lords

PRE-EMINENT

“THE GOVERNMENT UPON HIS SHOULDERS”

THE CENTER OF CREATION:
THE THRONE

THE CHURCH

It is not Jesus ruling by Himself

The Church is with Him

REVELATION:

Something has been lost

RECOVERY

Purpose has been lost

But....God will restore it!

OLD TESTAMENT

Genesis to Malachi

Who is governing?

BATTLE

Sometimes God's people are in the right place

Disobedience, idolatry, captivity

NEW TESTAMENT

HIS SON

The Church

EPHESIANS 1

17 that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in
the knowledge of Him

18 the eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints,

19 and what is the exceeding greatness of His power
toward us who believe, according to the working of His
mighty power

20 which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from
the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly
places,

21 far above all principality and power and might and
dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this
age but also in that which is to come.

22 And He put all things under His feet, and gave Him to
be head over all things to the church,

23 which is His body, the fullness (the finality) of Him who
fills all in all.

THE FATHER OF GLORY

Spirit of wisdom and revelation

The hope (expectation) of His calling

HE WORKED IN CHRIST

Resurrection

Exaltation

ETERNALLY (age to come)

CHRIST IS THE HEAD OVER ALL THINGS

“to the church”

HIS BODY

THE FULLNESS OF HIM WHO FILLS ALL IN ALL

Has God abandoned His intention?

He is seeking those who know what it is and
who come into line with it.

His inheritance in His Son,
The Kingdom of His Son,
His Son's place in this universe for all eternal ages
The instrument for the expression of His government and
the administration of His kingdom.

THE CHURCH

"He that has an ear to hear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches".

