Rev 1: 9-20

- There are several things to learn in our text for today and we may not get through them all
  - First.....we must take notice of the triune
    - John uses three things to describe the Christian life
    - They are......
      - Tribulation....
      - "Jesus said, in this world you will have tribulation, but be of good cheer have overcome the world." (John 16: 33
      - Kingdom......
      - Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If My kingdom were of this world, My servants would fight, so that I should not be delivered to the Jews; but now My kingdom is not from here."

- Perseverance.....
  - Repeatedly in the letters to the Churches
    - "To him that overcomes...."
- Note John now tells why he on Patmos
  - "Because of the Word of God and the testimony of Jesus"
  - The Word of God because it divides the thoughts and intents of the heart
  - The testimony of Jesus because there is no other name given among men by which we must be saved

- Vs 10....
  - "I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day"
  - Some have interpreted as "the day of the Lord"
  - Question.....
    - If John meant to say that why didn't he?
    - If John was translated to the "day of the Lord"
      - Why does he address issues in existing churches?
- Question....why do we meet on Sunday?
  - Acts 20: 7...On the first day of the week...
  - I Cor 16: 2...On the first day of the week.....

- Vs 11...KJV..."Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea."
- Referring to Vs 8 and Vs 17
- •This is an O.T. term (Isa 44: 6-8)

- Vs 13...."in the middle of the lampstands
  - Gen 1: 3...Then God said, "let there be light"
  - John 1: 1-5
  - Matt 18: 20..."Wherever two or three are gathered in My name, there I am in their midst"
- "Like a son of man"
  - Phil 2: 6-7...who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, and being made in the likeness of men.
  - Rom 8: 3.... For what the Law could not do, weak as it was through the flesh, God *did:* sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and *as an offering* for sin, He condemned sin in the flesh

- I John 3: 2....He is pictured here as the representative man (like a son of man)
  - "Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we shall be. We know that, when He appears, we shall be like Him, because we shall see Him just as He is."
  - Does that mean we are going to be gods like the Mormons teach?
    - NO!!! But this does teach is that just as He dwells in inexpressible light so shall we!! (Rev 21: 23)
    - Vs 17....I fell at His feet like a dead man

- Vs 14...His head and hair were white
  - Dan 7: 9-14...the vision of Daniel
- His eyes were like a flame of fire
  - Matt 9: 6...But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd.
  - Luke 22: 61.... The Lord turned and looked at Peter.
    And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how He had told him, "Before a rooster crows today, you will deny Me three times."
  - Rev 2: 18-20.....

- Vs 15...His feet were like burnished bronze when it has been made to glow in a furnace
  - Isaiah 63: 1-6
  - Rev 14: 14-20
  - Rev 19: 11-15
  - Make no mistake about it there is coming a time of great judgment for all who reject God's plan of redemption.
  - I beg of you if you do not know Christ.....ask Him to forgive you of your sins and live like you are forgiven.

- Vs 17-18.....He placed His right hand on me
  - This is the same hand that holds the seven stars
  - It is the hand of compassion
  - How do we know this?
- "Do not be afraid?"
  - I am the first and the lat
  - I am the Living One
  - I was (became) dead (John 1: 14 "ginomai"
  - Behold I am alive forevermore
  - I hold the keys of death and Hades

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- Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty
- Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee
- Holy, Holy, Holy
- Merciful and Mighty, God in three Persons
- Blessed Trinity

- Holy, Holy, all the saints adore Thee
- Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea
- Cherubim and seraphim falling down before
  Thee
- Who wert and art and evermore shalt be

- Holy, Holy, tho' the darkness hide Thee
- •Tho' the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see
- Only Thou art holy, there is none beside Thee
- Perfect in pow'r, in love, in purity

- Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty
- All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea
- Holy, Holy, Merciful and Mighty
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