



The Revelation of Jesus Christ

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Revelation 1:1-2

“The revelation from Jesus Christ, which God gave him to show his servants what must soon take place. He made it known by sending his angel to his servant John, who testifies to everything he saw – that is, the word of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ.”

The Revelation (unavailing) of Jesus Christ.

Apocalypse- in English - the complete, final destruction of the world.
Apocalypse- in Greek - the unavailing.

Written by Apostle John - written approximately AD 95.

He was in the inner circle - Peter James and John.

His dad was Zebedee fisherman in Galilee.

He and Peter were the first Apostles to the empty tomb.

Now in his 90's - it's been 6 decades since he has seen Jesus in the flesh.

Revelation 1:3 book of Prophecy.

404 verses in Revelation - 278 point back to the Old Testament in their symbolism.

Talks about end time events.

The 7-year tribulation.

Final world war in the Middle East.

The arrival of the anti-Christ.

Second coming of Christ.

Millennial Reign of Christ.

Finally eternity.

It is a book of prophecy.

Revelation 1:3

“Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear it and take to heart what is written in it, because the time is near.”

Predicts the future. Called Prophecy 5 times in this book.
It is not Allegory, fantasy or poetry
It is predictive prophecy.
26.8% of the Bible is prophecy.

One of God's attributes is God is Omniscient. He knows the future in advance.
And wrote about the future through his prophets in great detail.

Isaiah 41:21

"Can your idols make such claims as these?"

Caution: Too many get lost in prophecy and stop focusing on their own daily spiritual growth.

Overview:

Chapters 1-3 - Jesus Christ holding the lamp stands. Guiding his church as the priestly king.

Chapters 4-5 - Adoration in Heaven. Jesus Christ in heaven as the glorified lamb of God and the Lion of the tribe of Judah.

Chapters 6-18 - Tribulation on the earth. Jesus Christ is the judge of all the earth.

Chapter 19 - Second coming of Jesus from heaven to earth. Christ is coming back to earth as a ruler the King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

Chapter 20 - Millennium, heaven on earth. Jesus Christ is reigning on the earth as the bridegroom with his bride, the church.

Chapters 21-22 - New heaven and new earth. Jesus Christ as illuminating heaven with his glory.

Revelation 1:1

"...must shortly come to pass..."

Shortly - our word for tachometer - measures velocity - once it starts happening it will happen rapidly - in a short period of time.

Revelation is full of Symbols

Signs, symbols, pictures.

Lamp stands, trumpets, bowls, beasts, seals.

54 times there are "7" somethings.

Churches, seals, trumpets, bowls, stars, thunders.

Why Symbols -

Symbols stand the test of time, language and culture.

Symbols engage emotion.

Symbols have their roots in the Old Testament. (Ezekiel and Daniel)

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Read it, hear it, keep it.

Revelation 22:7

“Look I am coming soon! Blessed is the one who keeps the word of the prophecy written in this scroll.”

Promises a blessing.

How do you keep it? To live in light of eternity instead of the light of the world. Temporal reality (transitional) or eternal reality.

This is not a book for theologians but for everyone.

Revelation 1:19

*“Write, therefore, what you have **seen**, what is **now** and what will take place **later**.”*

Key verse.

1. What you have seen. Chapter 1

2. Things that are. Chapters 2&3 - Letters to the churches.

3. Things that will take place after these things. Chapters 4-22

Meta tauta - after these things.

What he had seen Chapters 2-3

Churches that really existed in that time.

1. Letters to real churches.

2. Each Church Representing a Historical application - periods of time in church history.

Ephesus – very busy, active, discerning. But had lost the spark, true intense love of Jesus.

Smyrna – suffering for the sake of Christ. To be a Christian was against the law, but persecution was not continuous. They were poor but rich because of Christ. Keep the faith.

Pergamus – Compromising Christians, tolerating false teaching and doctrine.

Thyatira – Loose morally. Lack discernment for truth.

Sardis – Had the name of Christian, but spiritually dead.

Philadelphia – Personal revival, your keeping his word.

Laodicea – Luke warm, complacent, apathetic.

These warnings are relevant for all of us. Timeless application

Revelation 3:20

“Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.”

Calls for Repentance.

After the letters the church is not mentioned again until chapter 22.

Revelation 3:22

“Whoever has ears, let them hear what the Spirit says to the churches.”

Revelation 4:1-2 The Throne in Heaven

*“After this I looked, and there before me was a door standing open in heaven. And the voice I had first heard speaking to me like a trumpet said, **“Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this.”** “At once I was in the Spirit, and there before me was a throne in heaven with someone sitting on it.”*

Paul -

I Thessalonians 4:16

“For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first.”

Revelations 4:3-6

“And the one who sat there had the appearance of jasper and ruby. A rainbow that shone like an emerald encircled the throne. Surrounding the throne were twenty-four other thrones, and seated on them were twenty-four elders. They were dressed in white and had crowns of gold on their heads. From the throne came flashes of lightning, rumblings and peals of thunder. In front of the throne, seven lamps were blazing. These are the seven spirits of God. Also in front of the throne there was what looked like a sea of glass, clear as crystal.”

Gods Throne

Surrounded by **24 elders**- representative of Gods people.

OT 24 groups of Priests that would all serve one week - representative of the God's people caught up into heaven.

Possibly 12 Apostol's. 12 Tribes.

4 living Creatures – will administrate God's judgments

Revelation 5:1-5

“Then I saw in the right hand of him who sat on the throne a scroll with writing on both sides and sealed with seven seals. And I saw a mighty angel proclaiming in a loud voice, “Who is worthy to break the seals and open the scroll?” But no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth could open the scroll or even look inside it. I wept and wept because no one was found who was worthy to open the scroll or look inside. Then one of the elders said to me, “Do not weep! See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has triumphed. He is able to open the scroll and its seven seals.”

Scrolls – Most likely a Title deed of the Earth.

Title deeds were written on scrolls.

Property was never lost permanently. Land if lost for some reason could be redeemed. Purchased back.

- 1. You had to qualify. You had to be a relative in the family.**
- 2. You had to be able to help. (money)**
- 3. Be willing to do it.**

God created the earth. Gave to Adam to oversee - he sinned and forfeited the land to Satan. Usurper.

Romans 5:12

“Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all people, because all sinned.”

Jesus in His temptations – Satan offered Jesus the kingdoms of this world. Because he could. Not disputed by Jesus.

Rest of Chapter 5 is about worship.

Judgements

Chapters 6-19 Tribulation period.

Unpacked -

3 sets of judgements in these chapters.

7 seals

7 Trumpets

7 bowls

Represent a series of Judgments that will happen very rapidly on the earth. With each set of judgments it gets worse. This will happen in the first 3 1/2 years of the 7 years of Judgement.

Chapter 6 Seals Judgments

Chapter 7 Parenthesis - Additional information is given

Chapters 8-9 Trumpets Judgments

Chapters 10-15 Parenthesis - Additional information is given

Chapter 16 Bowls Judgments

Chapters 17-18 Parenthesis - Additional information is given

Revelation 6:1-8

"I watched as the Lamb opened the first of the seven seals. Then I heard one of the four living creatures say in a voice like thunder, "Come!" I looked, and there before me was a white horse! Its rider held a bow, and he was given a crown, and he rode out as a conqueror bent conquest. When the Lamb opened the second seal, I heard the second living creature say, "Come!" Then another horse came out, a fiery red one. Its rider was given power to take peace from the earth and to make people kill each other. To him was given a large sword.

When the Lamb opened the third seal, I heard the third living creature say, "Come!" I looked, and there before me was a black horse! Its rider was holding a pair of scales in his hand. Then I heard what sounded like a voice among the four living creatures, saying, "Two pounds of wheat for a day's wages, and six pounds of barley for a day's wages, and do not damage the oil and the wine!"

When the Lamb opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living creature say, "Come!" I looked, and there before me was a pale horse! Its rider was named Death, and Hades was following close behind him. They were given power over a fourth of the earth to kill by sword, famine and plague, and by the wild beasts of the earth."

It will be the WORST time in all history. This tribulation comes from God. To a Christ rejecting world.

Jeremiah 30:7

"How awful that day will be! No other will be like it. It will be a time of trouble for Jacob, but he will be saved out of it."

Daniel 12:1

"At that time Michael, the great prince who protects your people, will arise. There will be a time of distress such as has not happened from the beginning of nations until then. But at that time your people—everyone whose name is found written in the book—will be delivered."

Matthew 24:21

"For then there will be great distress, unequaled from the beginning of the world until now—and never to be equaled again."

Revelation 6:17

“For the great day of their wrath has come, and who can withstand it?”

Revelation 7:1-4

“After this I saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding back the four winds of the earth to prevent any wind from blowing on the land or on the sea or on any tree. Then I saw another angel coming up from the east, having the seal of the living God. He called out in a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm the land and the sea: “Do not harm the land or the sea or the trees until we put a seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God.” Then I heard the number of those who were sealed: 144,000 from all the tribes of Israel.”

**These are Jews. Believers. Saved by the two witnesses. Ch.11
(not Jehovah Witness, Seventh day Adventist)**

Matthew 24:14

“And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.”

Revelation 7:10

“And they cried out in a loud voice: “Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb.”

**Chapter 8 - Seventh seal is broken. Trumpet judgments (trumpets announce)
Next phase of judgments..**

Natural judgments. Land, ocean, fresh water, stars.

Chapter 9 - Last 3 judgments are supernatural judgments. Satan and demons are let out of the Abyss and they fill the earth and torment men for five months. Tremendous suffering and death will not come for those five months.

Revelation 10 The Angel and the Little Scroll

"Then I saw another mighty angel coming down from heaven. He was robed in a cloud, with a rainbow above his head; his face was like the sun, and his legs were like fiery pillars. He was holding a little scroll, which lay open in his hand. He planted his right foot on the sea and his left foot on the land, and he gave a loud shout like the roar of a lion. When he shouted, the voices of the seven thunders spoke. And when the seven thunders spoke, I was about to write; but I heard a voice from heaven say, "Seal up what the seven thunders have said and do not write it down." Then the angel I had seen standing on the sea and on the land raised his right hand to heaven. And he swore by him who lives for ever and ever, who created the heavens and all that is in them, the earth and all that is in it, and the sea and all that is in it, and said, "There will be no more delay! But in the days when the seventh angel is about to sound his trumpet, the mystery of God will be accomplished, just as he announced to his servants the prophets."

Then the voice that I had heard from heaven spoke to me once more: "Go, take the scroll that lies open in the hand of the angel who is standing on the sea and on the land."

So I went to the angel and asked him to give me the little scroll. He said to me, "Take it and eat it. It will turn your stomach sour, but 'in your mouth it will be as sweet as honey.'" I took the little scroll from the angel's hand and ate it. It tasted as sweet as honey in my mouth, but when I had eaten it, my stomach turned sour. Then I was told, "You must prophesy again about many peoples, nations, languages and kings."

Revelation 10:1-4 The Angel and the Little Scroll

"I saw another angel, a mighty one, coming down out of heaven, clad in a cloud, and with a rainbow on his head. His face was as the sun and his feet were like pillars of fire.

He had in his hand a little roll which was opened. He put his right foot on the sea and his left foot on the land, and he cried with a loud voice as a lion roars, and, when he cried, the seven thunders uttered their voices. When the seven thunders spoke, I was about to write and I heard a voice from heaven saying: "Set a seal on what the seven thunders said, and do not write it."

Revelations 10 and Revelations 11:1-14 is a kind of interlude between the sounding of the sixth and the seventh trumpets. The sixth trumpet has already sounded, but the seventh does not sound until Revelation 11:15, and in between there are terrible things.

The mighty angel in this passage is described in terms which show that he came straight from the presence of God and the Risen Christ.

He is clad in a cloud and the clouds are the chariots of God, for "God maketh the clouds his chariot" (Psalms 104:3).

He has a rainbow on his head and the rainbow is part of the glory of the throne of God (Ezekiel 1:28).

The rainbow is caused by the light of the angel's face shining through the cloud.

His face is as the sun which is the description of the face of Jesus on the Mount of Transfiguration (Matthew 17:2).

His voice was as the roar of a lion which is often used as a simile of the voice of God, "the Lord roars from Zion and utters his voice from Jerusalem" (Joel 3:16; Hosea 11:10; Amos 3:8).

Clearly this angel has come from the very presence of God; some think that he is none other than the glorified Christ himself.

The angel has one foot on the sea and one on the land. This shows his size and power, in his hand the angel has a little roll, unrolled and opened. He is giving John a limited revelation about a small period of time.

Revelation 10:5-7 THE DIVINE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE END

"The angel whom I saw standing on the sea and on the land raised his right hand to heaven and swore by him who lives for ever and ever, who created the heaven and the things in it, and the earth and the things in it, and the sea and the things in it, that there was no time left; but that in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he would sound his trumpet, there would be completed the secret purpose of God, the good news of which he announced to his servants the prophets."

There is no time left, no further delay. The Antichrist is about to burst upon the scene in all his destructive terror. As the writer to the Hebrews had it: The hour has struck when the man of sin shall be revealed (2 Thessalonians 2:3).

When this happens, the whole purpose of God in human history will stand revealed.

God and the Antichrist, good and evil, will face each other; final and total victory will be won, the questions will find their answers and the wrongs will be righted.

History is moving towards the inevitable triumph of God and that, though evil may flourish, it cannot in the end be triumphant.

Revelation 10:8-11

THE JOY AND THE SORROW OF THE MESSENGER OF GOD

"And I heard the voice which I had heard from heaven speaking again to me and saying: "Go, take the little roll which lies open in the hand of the angel who is standing on the sea and on the land." And I went away to the angel and asked him to give me the little roll. He said to me: "Take it and eat it. It will be bitter to your stomach but it will be as sweet as honey to your mouth." And I took the little roll from the hand of the angel and ate it; and it was as sweet as honey to my mouth and, when I ate it, it was bitter to my stomach. And they said to me: "You must prophesy in regard to many peoples and nations and languages and kings."

Ezekiel was told to eat the roll and to fill his belly with it (Ezekiel 3:1&3). In both pictures the idea is the same. The messenger of God has to take God's message into his very life and being.

The sweetness of the roll is a recurring thought in Scripture. To the psalmist the judgments of God are sweeter than honey and the honeycomb (Psalms 19:10). *"How sweet are thy words to my taste! sweeter than honey to my mouth"* (Psalms 119:103).

When a Jewish boy was learning the alphabet, it was written on a slate in a mixture of flour and honey. He was told what the letters were and how they sounded. After the original instruction, the teacher would point at a letter and would ask: "What is that and how does it sound?" If the boy could answer correctly, he was allowed to lick the letter off the slate as a reward! When the prophet and the psalmist speak about God's words and judgments being sweeter than honey, it may well be that they were thinking of this custom.

To John the roll was sweet and bitter at the same time. It was an infinite privilege to be admitted to the secrets of heaven but at the same time it was bitter to have to forecast the time of terror.

ANTICHRIST

Christ is the Holy One and the Anointed King of Good.

Antichrist is the Unholy One and the King of all evil.

Just as the Christ is the incarnation of God and goodness, so Antichrist is the incarnation of the Devil and of evil.

Antichrist is Satan, the Devil. Sometimes Satan is identified with Lucifer, the son of the morning, the angel who in heaven rebelled against God and was cast down to hell. *"How you are fallen from heaven, O Day Star, son of Dawn!"* (Isaiah 14:12).

It is easy to find instances in which Satan--the very name means the Adversary--acted in such a way as to overturn the purpose of God, for it is his very nature to do so.

But though Satan is the direct opponent of God, he remains an angel, whereas Antichrist is a visible figure upon earth in which the very essence of evil has become incarnate.

Here again the main connection of Antichrist is with heresy. Antichrist is the spirit of falsehood which seduces men from the truth and leads them into mistaken ideas which are the ruin of the Christian faith.

Revelation 11:7 there is the picture of the beast from the abyss, who is to slay the two witnesses in Jerusalem and who is to reign for forty-two months. The Antichrist as coming from hell, to have a terrible and destructive, but limited, time of power.

In Revelation 12 there is the picture of the great red dragon, who persecutes the woman clothed with the sun, the woman who begets the man child. This dragon is ultimately defeated and cast out of heaven. The dragon is definitely identified with the old serpent the devil (Revelation 12:9).

In Revelation 13 there is the picture of the beast with the seven heads and the ten horns, which comes from the sea, and the other beast with the two horns, which comes from the land. There is no doubt that what is in John's mind is the terror and the savagery of Caesar worship; and in this case Antichrist is the great begetter of persecution of the Christian Church. Here the idea is of cruel, persecuting power, bent on the utter destruction of Christ and his Church.

In Revelation 17:3 we have the picture of the scarlet-colored beast, with the seven heads and the ten horns, on which the woman called Babylon is seated. We are told that the seven heads are seven mountains on which the woman sits. In the Revelation Babylon symbolizes Rome and Rome was built on seven hills. Clearly this picture stands for Rome and Antichrist is Rome's persecuting power unleashed upon the Church.

Revelation 11:3-6 The two witnesses

“And I will appoint two witnesses and they will prophesy for 1,260 days (3 ½ years), clothed in sackcloth.” They are “the two olive trees” and the two lampstands, and “they stand before the Lord of the earth.” If anyone tries to harm them, fire comes from their mouths and devours their enemies. This is how anyone who wants to harm them must die. They have power to shut up the heavens so that it will not rain during the time they are prophesying; and they have power to turn the waters into blood and to strike the earth with every kind of plague as often as they want.”

Two witnesses possibly Moses and Elijah out of which the 144,000 come.

Matthew – transfiguration Moses-law, Elijah-Prophets

Malachi 4:5

“See, I will send the prophet Elijah to you before that great and dreadful day of the Lord comes.”

**John the Baptist came in the spirit of Elijah
Elijah and Noah only two that didn't die.**

Ways to study Revelation

Preterist view.

Means past. Revelation is already fulfilled Jew. Already happened. This view ignores verses that claim Revelation to be prophecy. And Christ's return.

Historical View.

A panorama of church history. Apostolic to the present time.

Allegorical view

No literal events.

Futurist view

All events are literal.

Part of the book has been fulfilled. The churches. Ch. 6-22 is yet to come.

Revelation 12:15 starts the bowl judgments – not listed until chapter 16

Revelation Chapters 12-14 introduced to a rare look at the great struggle in the heavens between good and evil.

Chapter 12 cosmic struggle.

Women - nation of Israel.

Revelation 12:1-5

“A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet and a crown of twelve stars on her head. She was pregnant and cried out in pain as she was about to give birth.

Then another sign appeared in heaven: an enormous red dragon with seven heads and ten horns and seven crowns on its heads. (v.9 the devil) Its tail swept a third of the stars out of the sky and flung them to the earth. The dragon stood in front of the woman who was about to give birth, so that it might devour her child the moment he was born.

She gave birth to a son, a male child, who “will rule all the nations with an iron scepter.” And her child was snatched up to God and to his throne. (Birth to Corination) The woman fled into the wilderness to a place prepared for her by God, where she might be taken care of for 1,260 days.”

Satan attacks of the seed - from the beginning.

Genesis 3:14-15

***“So the Lord God said to the serpent, “Because you have done this,
“Cursed are you above all livestock and all wild animals! You will crawl on
your belly and you will eat dust all the days of your life.”***

Satan has been fighting back ever since.

Cain and Able

Mankind corrupted so badly - The flood

Jacob and Esau

Pharaoh decreed that if a Jewish baby was born it should be killed

Saul attempted to kill David

Herod the Great tried to kill all the babies in Bethlehem

Precaution of Israel –the women, Jews will increase in the tribulation.

The sign of this persecution

Matthew 24:15-16

***“So when you see standing in the holy place ‘the abomination that causes
desolation, ‘spoken of through the prophet Daniel—let the reader
understand— then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains.”***

Revelation 12:7-13

***“Then war broke out in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the
dragon, and the dragon and his angels fought back. But he was not strong
enough, and they lost their place in heaven. The great dragon was hurled
down—that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole
world astray. He was hurled to the earth, and his angels with him.***

Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say:

***“Now have come the salvation and the power
and the kingdom of our God,
and the authority of his Messiah.***

***For the accuser of our brothers and sisters,
who accuses them before our God day and night,
has been hurled down.***

***They triumphed over him
by the blood of the Lamb
and by the word of their testimony;***

***they did not love their lives so much
as to shrink from death.***

***Therefore rejoice, you heavens
and you who dwell in them!***

***But woe to the earth and the sea,
because the devil has gone down to you!***

***He is filled with fury,
because he knows that his time is short.”***

Revelation 7:14-17

When the dragon saw that he had been hurled to the earth, he pursued the woman who had given birth to the male child. The woman was given the two wings of a great eagle, so that she might fly to the place prepared for her in the wilderness, where she would be taken care of for a time, times and half a time, out of the serpent's reach. Then from his mouth the serpent spewed water like a river, to overtake the woman and sweep her away with the torrent. But the earth helped the woman by opening its mouth and swallowing the river that the dragon had spewed out of his mouth. Then the dragon was enraged at the woman and went off to wage war against the rest of her offspring—those who keep God's commands and hold fast their testimony about Jesus."

God's protection:

Exodus 19:4

"You yourselves have seen what I did to Egypt, and how I carried you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself."

Ephesians 6:10-12

"Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms."

Revelation 13:1-8 The Beast out of the Sea

"The dragon stood on the shore of the sea. And I saw a beast coming out of the sea. It had ten horns and seven heads, with ten crowns on its horns, and on each head a blasphemous name. The beast I saw resembled a leopard, but had feet like those of a bear and a mouth like that of a lion. The dragon gave the beast his power and his throne and great authority. One of the heads of the beast seemed to have had a fatal wound, but the fatal wound had been healed. The whole world was filled with wonder and followed the beast. People worshiped the dragon because he had given authority to the beast, and they also worshiped the beast and asked, "Who is like the beast? Who can wage war against it?"

All inhabitants of the earth will worship the beast—all whose names have not been written in the Lamb's book of life, the Lamb who was slain from the creation of the world."

Anti-Christ. (actually 50 different names in the bible)

Revelation 6:2 The White Horse

"I looked, and there before me was a white horse! Its rider held a bow, and he was given a crown, and he rode out as a conqueror bent on conquest."

The anti-christ will come in bringing peace, he'll set up a peace treaty with Jerusalem and the Arabs for seven years – half way through it he will break that treaty and set himself up to be worshiped.

2 Thessalonians 2:4

“He will oppose and will exalt himself over everything that is called God or is worshiped, so that he sets himself up in God’s temple, proclaiming himself to be God.”

Revelations 13:16-18

“It also forced all people, great and small, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on their right hands or on their foreheads, so that they could not buy or sell unless they had the mark, which is the name of the beast or the number of its name.

This calls for wisdom. Let the person who has insight calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number of a man. That number is 666.”

Verses 14-16 description of Jesus. Only place he is described.

Verse 9 I John....

Should produce a response.

Verse 17 fell on his face as if dead. It was overwhelming. Humility, worship.

Corrie ten noon - survivor of the Nazi war camps. Said “never be afraid to trust an unknown future into the hands of a known God.”

So what’s next....

So what’s next for you....

Embrace this Jesus Christ king of kings and lord of lords. Personal repentance.

Verse 5 washed us with his blood.

Chapter 15

Verse 1

Midst of the tribulation – this is the worst.

Chapter 16 bowls

Verses 2,3,4,8,9,10,12,17, & 18

**Chapter 17 the anti-christ’s kingdom
religious or spiritual Babylon**

Chapter 18 Commercial Babylon

**Chapter 19 return of Jesus Christ
not a battle of Armageddon this is a wipe out.**

**Next to faith – the second coming is mentioned the most
First coming**

Second coming 1845 times 318 in NT 1 out of every 30 verses

**For every one time the bible speaks of the first coming of Jesus. The
second coming is mentioned 8 times**

1st baby gentle

2nd mighty ruler

Battle hymn of the republic - joy to the world

Chapter 20

Verses 1,2,4, & 6

Matthew 19:28

Acts 3:21

Millennium – Garden of Eden

Verses 11-15 –the moment in all of history.

No debate about guilt

Prosecution no defense

Judge no jury

Sentence no appeal,

Punishment no parole

Chapter 21 & 22 the eternal state

Verses 1-7,20, & 21

Matthew 24:35

New city - 15,000 wide, 15,000 long, 15,000 high