



The Unveiling of Jesus Christ

Commentary on Revelation – Volume I

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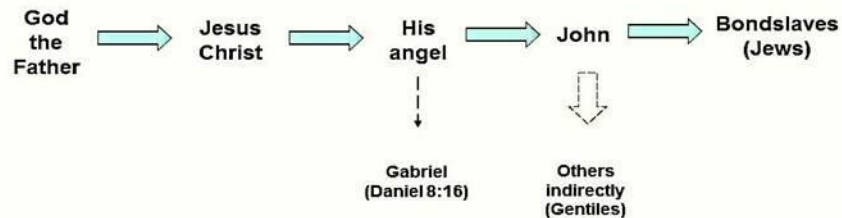
Chapter 1

THINK ABOUT IT

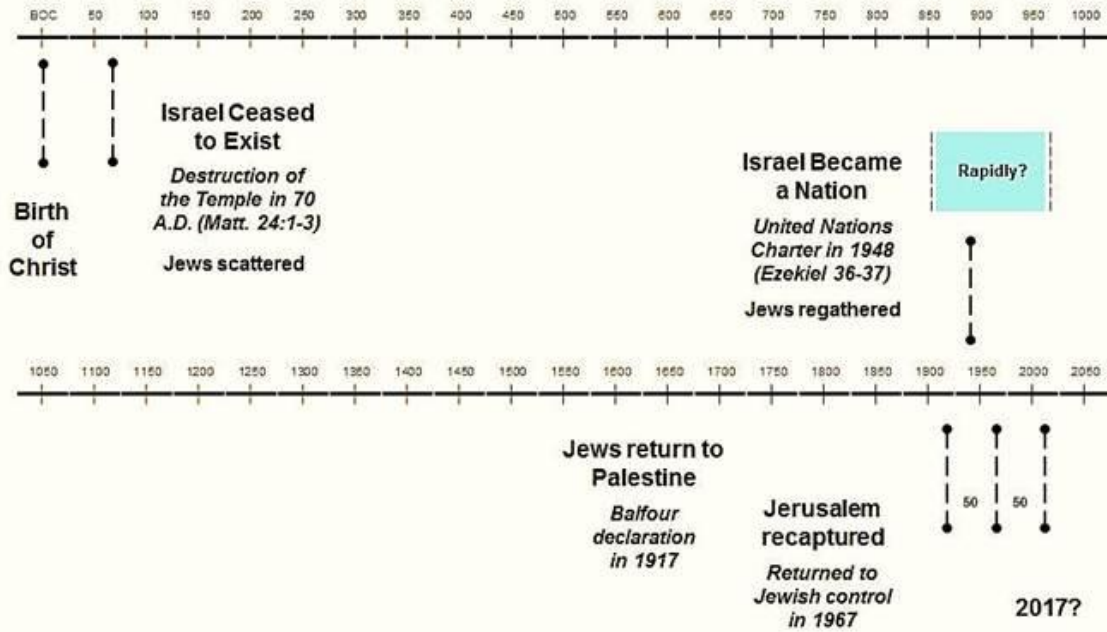


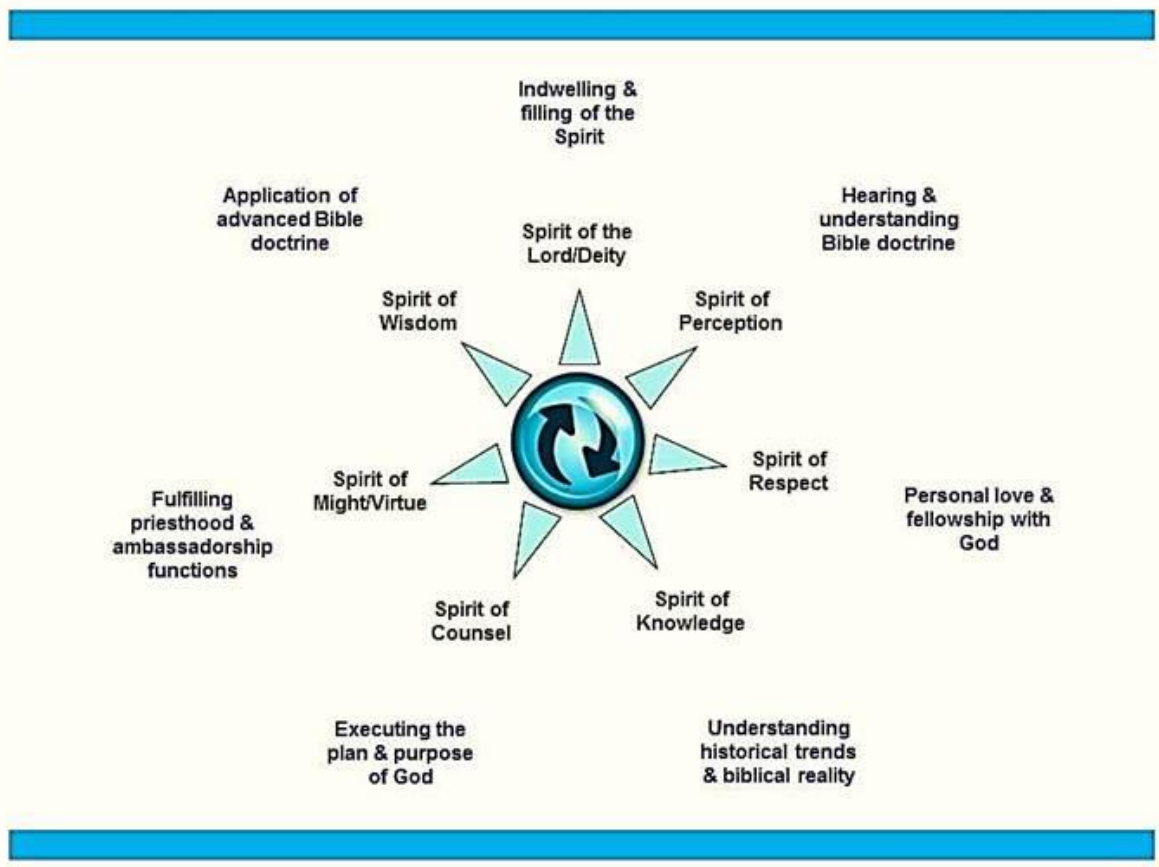
- Jesus came in peace the 1st time. He comes to wage war against Satan and his followers the 2nd time.
- Once these future events begin, they will occur in rapid succession. Should we be happy or afraid?
- Another side of Jesus Christ is unveiled in this book. Can you see His glory even in the midst of judgment?

Transmission of the Book of Revelation



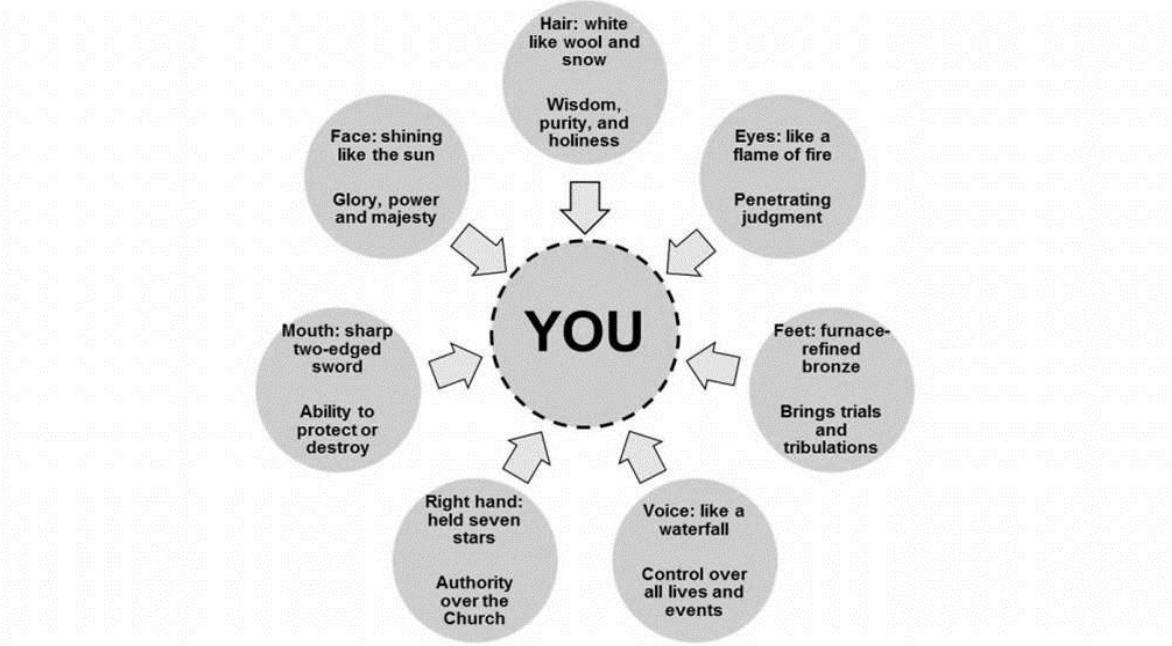
The Time is Near





BEFORE	AFTER
Condemnation of lost soul	Forgiveness, justification
Enmity of soul to God	Reconciliation
Soul is asleep or dead	Awakening of soul
State of pollution, uncleanness	Cleansing

Ephesus	Centre of heathen idolatry
Smyrna	Wealthy commerce centre
Pergamos	Centre of learning, refinement, science
Thyatira	Famous dyers guild
Sardis	Home of wealth and politics
Philadelphia	Many churches
Laodicea	Gold fever town



Chapter 2

THINK ABOUT IT



- How is your church doing lately? Is it growing or declining in population? Is your church in a state of revival or apostasy?
- What would Jesus think of your church? What is His criterion for a good church versus a bad church?
- Where there is church growth, what is causing it? Is the mega-church a good trend or a bad trend?

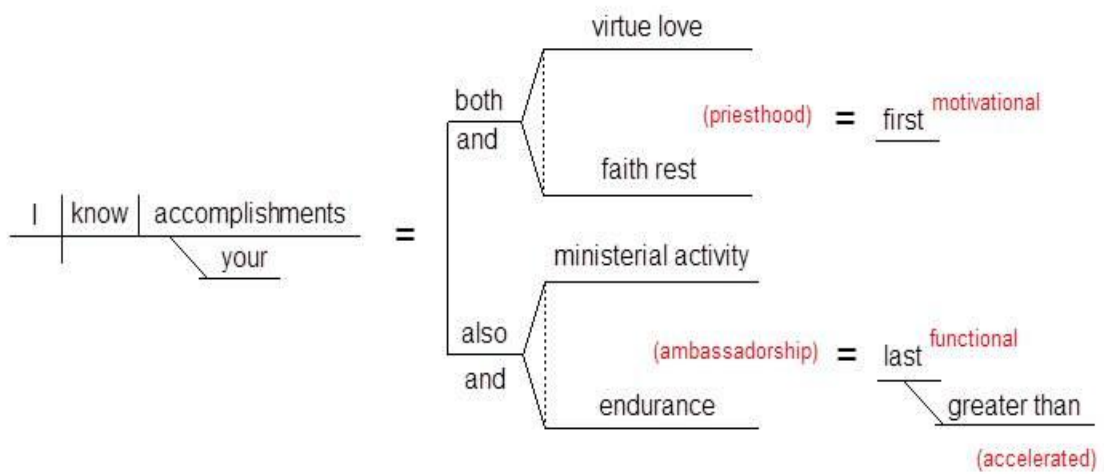
	Ephesus	Smyrna	Pergamos	Thyatira	Sardis	Phila- delphia	Laodicea
C.L. Barker	Waning love Death of Paul to 200 A.D.	Suffering, persecution Roman rule to 305 A.D.	Compromised state religion 300 to 590 A.D.	Intolerant papal supremacy 590 to 1517 A.D.	Reformation from lifelessness 1517 to 1650 A.D.	Faithful evangelism 1650 to 1900 A.D.	Worldliness indifference 1900 to rapture
C. Larkin	backslidden church 70 to 170 A.D.	persecuted church 170 to 312 A.D.	licentious church 312 to 606 A.D.	lax church 606 to 1520 A.D.	dead church 1520 to 1750 A.D.	favored church 1750 to 1900 A.D.	lukewarm church 1900 to the end
L. Strauss	Apostolic church Pentecost to 160 A.D.	Persecuted by pagan Rome 160 to 312 A.D.	Compromised church 313 to 600 A.D.	Romanism's Dark Ages 600 to 1517 A.D.	Protestant Reformation 1517 to 1750 A.D.	Period of the open door 1750 to 1950 A.D.	Nauseating, non-doctrinal church 1950 to ?
LaHaye T. Ice	Apostolic church 30 to 100 A.D.	Persecuted church 100 to 313 A.D.	State church 313 to 590 A.D.	Papal church 590 to 1517 A.D.	Reformed church 1517 to 1730 A.D.	Missionary church 1730 to 1900 A.D.	Apostate church 1900 to ?

DEBITS (+)	CREDITS (-)
Intolerance for evil	Love for Jesus decreasing
Refused to compromise	Priorities shifting negatively
Rejected clergy/laity split	Beginning to abandon doctrine
Strenuous academic effort	
Challenged false teachers	
Positive spiritual momentum	
Not indifferent to moral sin	
Perseverance during testing	
Endured trials and tribulations	
Loyal to the truth under pressure	

DEBITS (+)	CREDITS (-)
Endured slandering	Ostracized
Imprisonment/martyrdom possible	Afraid of suffering
Spiritually prosperous	Economically poor
Endured momentum tests	
Persecuted for a successful ministry	

DEBITS (+)	CREDITS (-)
Worshipped Jesus in the midst of evil	Lived a licentious lifestyle
Maintained doctrine after the murder of their pastor	Embraced subversive teachings
	Warned by Jesus to repent or face the consequences

FIRST ACCOMPLISHMENTS	LAST ACCOMPLISHMENTS
Priesthood of the believer	Ambassadorship of the believer
Motivational (inner) virtue	Functional (outer) virtue
Perception/inculcation of doctrine	Application of doctrine
Love and faith	Ministerial activity and endurance
Spiritual growth	Accelerated spiritual growth





DEBITS (+)	CREDITS (-)
Applied doctrine to daily life	Compromised with idolatry
Persevered under pressure	Engaged in sexual immorality
Exhibited love for the brethren	Rejected conservative principles
	Submitted to a prophetess
	Refused to change direction

Chapter 3

THINK ABOUT IT



- How can a group of believers become spiritually dead and still think they are alive and well?
- All Christians will receive a resurrection body, but will all Christians receive a uniform of glory?
- Jesus encouraged these believers with a promise of rewards. Does that incentive work for you today?
- What does "standing at the door & knocking" mean?

Metaphor	Passage	Time	Reference	Purpose
thief	1 Thess. 5:2-4	Tribulation	Day of the Lord	Judgment on unbelievers
thief	2 Peter 3:10	End of the millennium	Day of the Lord	Heaven & earth dissolved
thief	Rev 3:3, 16:15	Pre-rapture	Return of Jesus	Rewards

Type	Appearance	Place	Time	Activity
Uniform of honor	Invisible	On earth	Church Age	Spiritual warfare
Robe of glory	Translucent	In heaven	Eternity	Ruling & Reigning

DEBITS (+)	CREDITS (-)
Incomplete accomplishments	Spiritually dead
Production not up to standards	Distracted in self-denial
	Engulfed in self-deception
	Pastors aren't teaching the Bible

Time	Opportunity for spiritual growth available
Power	Indwelling and filling of the Holy Spirit
Momentum	Faithfully studied and kept the Word
Steadfastness	Refusal to compromise faith in Christ

DEBITS (+)	CREDITS (-)
The Lord loves them	Testing from Rome on the way
Trained a lot of Bible teachers	Claiming Israel's national blessings
Kept His Word and did not deny Him	Anti-Semites claiming to be spiritual Israel
Has considerable spiritual growth	
Guards doctrine with perseverance	

DEBITS (+)	CREDITS (-)
	In a state of apostasy
	Lukewarm spiritually
	No happiness or blessings from God
	Rich and self-sufficient without God
	Complete lack of character, despicable
	Blind to evil, no problem-solving ability
	Colossal arrogance, ignorance, impotence

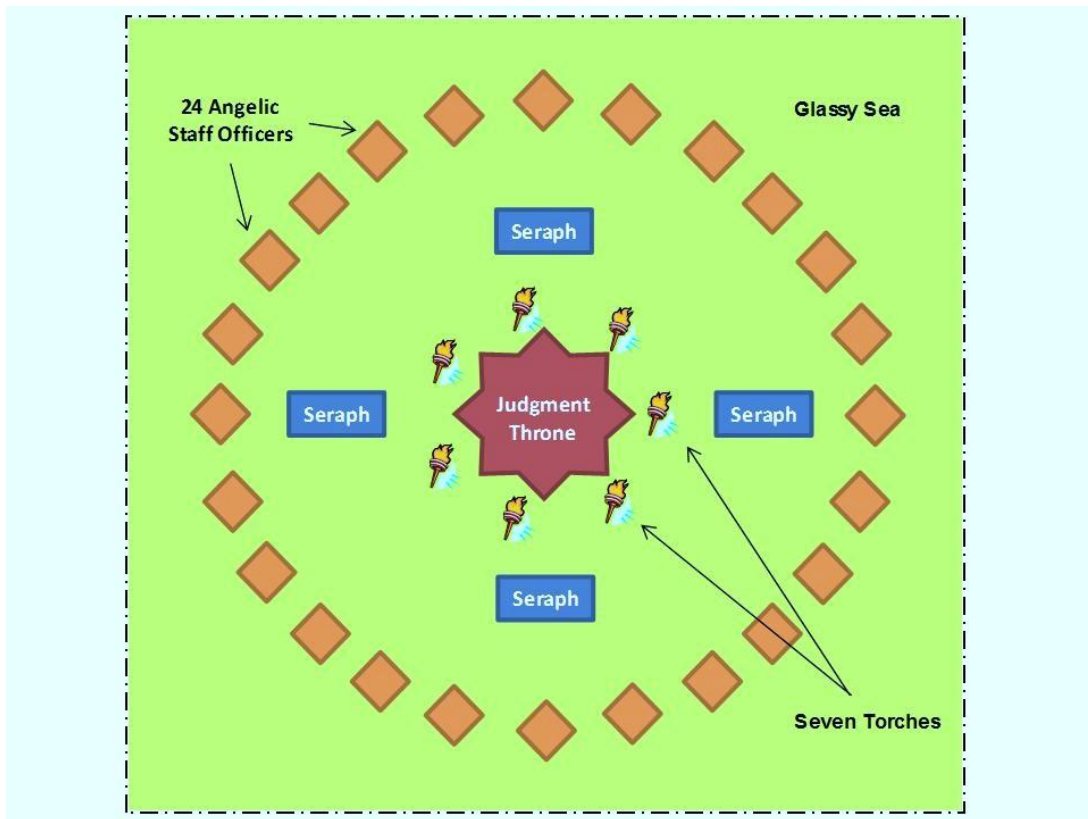
Verse	Reward	Condition
2:7	Eat from the Tree of Life	You must be a winner
2:10	Victor's crown of life	You must be faithful until death
2:17	A portion of the hidden manna	You must be a winner
2:17	A white stone	You must be a winner
2:17	A new name inscribed on the white stone	You must be a winner
2:26	Authority over the nations	You must be a winner
2:28	Order of the morning star	You must be a winner
3:4	Translucent robe of glory	Have not soiled spiritual garments
3:5	Honorable title in Book of Life	You must be a winner
3:5	Praised before the Father and angels	You must be a winner
3:9	Known to be a personal friend of Jesus	Keep the Word, don't deny Christ
3:10	Protected during historical disasters	Guarded doctrine in your soul
3:12	Pillar in the temple of God	You must be a winner
3:12	Memorial to your life on planet Earth	You must be a winner
3:12	Name of Father, Son, and New Jerusalem inscribed on your person/garments	You must be a winner
3:21	Sit with Jesus on His throne and rule during the millennium	You must be a winner

Chapter 4

THINK ABOUT IT



- Is Satan allowed to do anything he pleases or is God in control of the universe, including planet Earth?
- While unbelievers suffer the horrors unleashed on earth during the tribulation, what is the reaction in heaven?
- If David patterned the 24 courses of the priesthood after the 24 elders in heaven, how could these elders be Church Age believers?



Chapter 5

THINK ABOUT IT



- Are powerful human beings able to hasten the judgments in the Doomsday scroll?
- Are all believers going to reign with Christ during the millennium?
- Are believers going to be sitting on a cloud strumming a harp in the afterlife?
- Can you name seven attributes of Jesus Christ?

Chapter 6

THINK ABOUT IT



- Who is the rider on the four horses and how does he become a global dictator?
- Unbelievers gravitate towards utopian dreams. How have these fared over the course of history?
- What kind of problems would the death of 1.75 billion people bring to our civilization?
- What is an imprecatory prayer?

Matt. 24:4-5	1 st seal	False christ	Rev. 6:1-2
Matt. 24:6-7	2 nd seal	Wars	Rev. 6:3-4
Matt. 24:7	3 rd seal	Famines	Rev. 6:5-6
Matt. 24:7	4 th seal	Pestilences	Rev. 6:7-8
Matt. 24:8-28	5 th seal	Martyrdoms	Rev. 6:9-11
Matt. 24:29-30	6 th seal	Signs in heaven	Rev. 6:12-17

SEAL	SERAPH	HORSE	MEANS	JUDGMENT
1 st	Alpha	White	False Peace	Socialist propaganda, hope and change, peace brokering, covert ops, full spectrum dominance by bureaucratic control, long distance military intimidation
2 nd	Bravo	Red	Civil War	Insurrection, anarchy, internal rebellion, rampant criminality, bloodthirsty rioting, global police actions, drone strikes, special forces
3 rd	Charlie	Black	Economic Depression	Famine, financial collapse, commodity rationing, loss of safety net, property theft, hyper-inflation, bartering, destruction of middle-class
4 th	Delta	Pale	Death	Conventional warfare, WMD, genocide, terminal disease, plague, starvation, health care system collapses, wild animals, gangs and terrorism

SEAL	FOCUS	CIRCUMSTANCES	JUDGMENT
5 th	Martyrs	Refuse to reject Jesus Christ, refuse to stop studying the Bible	Kangaroo courts, torture to change their minds, branding, dismemberment, slaughter and extermination of believers as a form of entertainment
6 th	Perpetrators	Identify, capture, ransom, torture, sue, murder and execute Christians	Global earthquake, violent movements of the earth's crust, sun blotted-out by volcanic ash, blood-red moon, polluted atmosphere, meteors destroy buildings and plant & animal life; everyone will be hiding in caves, tunnels, subways, and shelters in unprecedented fear and terror; high rate of suicide, environmentalists will beg the objects of their worship (rocks, trees) to fall on them, hiding from the wrath of Jesus Christ

Chapter 7

THINK ABOUT IT



- Does God use angels to regulate weather?
- What would happen if the wind quit blowing?
- What kind of hermeneutic claims that 144,000 isn't a literal 144,000 and a tribe isn't a literal tribe?
- What is the difference between the gospel of grace and the gospel of the kingdom?
- How can you wash a robe white with red blood?

Chapter 8

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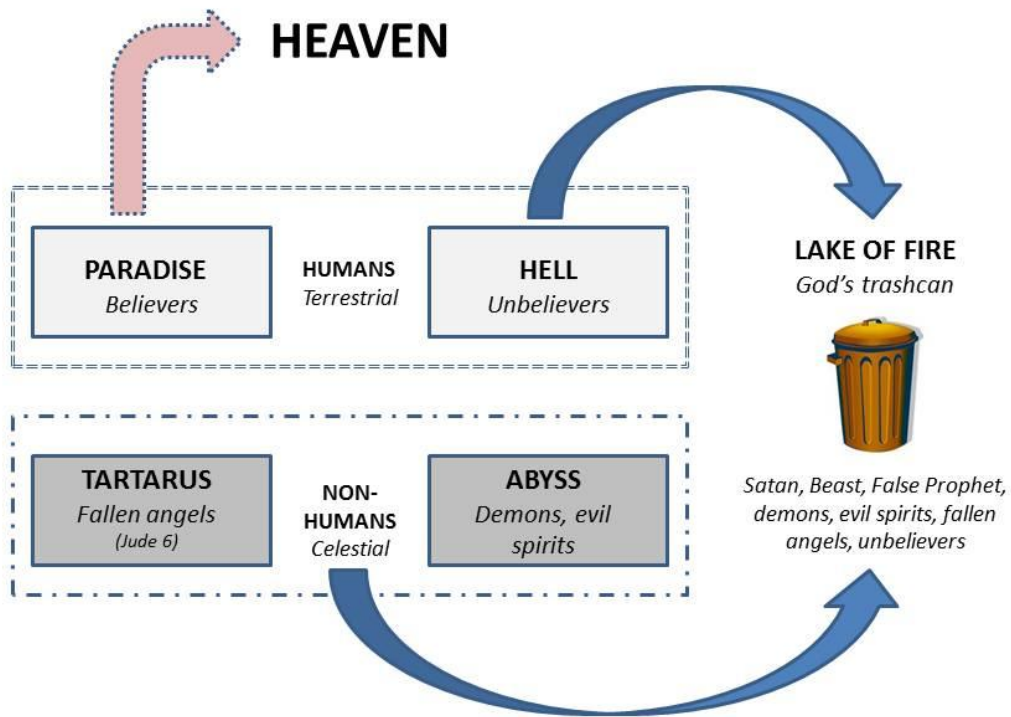
- Does God answer imprecatory prayers or does He just put them on the back-burner?
- What's the difference between biblical conservation and radical environmentalism?
- Do Hollywood disaster movies accurately represent divine judgment from God?
- How will ecologists explain the trumpet judgments?

Chapter 9

THINK ABOUT IT



- Can humans (terrestrials) kill fallen angels and demons (celestials)?
- What restrictions does God place on the locust-demons when they invade the surface of the earth?
- How many people will be killed by the second wave of demon cavalry soldiers?
- Where did worship of the Madonna & child begin?



Chapter 10

THINK ABOUT IT



- Who is in control of planet earth: Jesus or Satan?
- Who holds the title/deed to the land? What are the two requirements for conveyance of the deed to the land?
- Does the Lord keep secrets?
- What does the mystery of God represent in this chapter?

Chapter 11

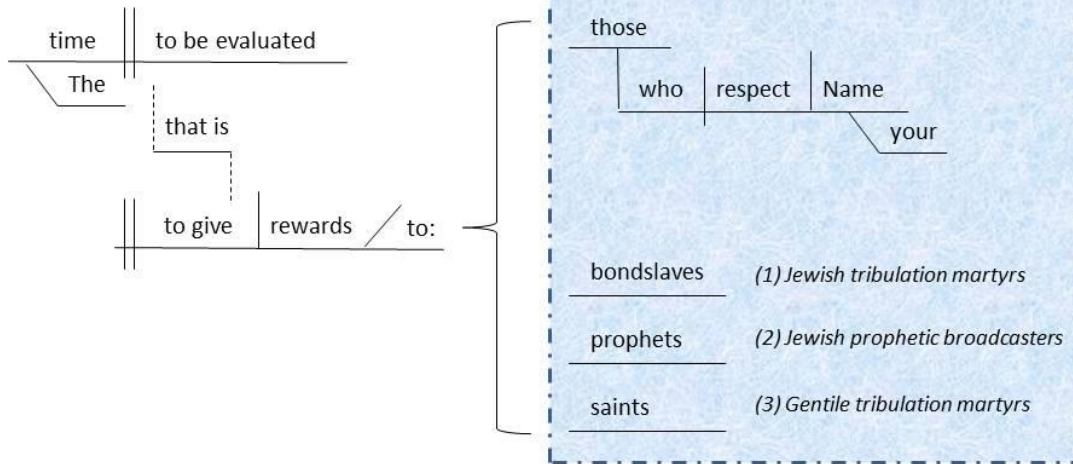
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- Is the desire to rebuild the temple in Jerusalem divinely inspired or merely a human endeavor?
- How would you like to be reminded every day of horrifying judgments that are about to come upon you and your loved ones if you don't repent?
- Does God breathe soul-life into human bodies or do human parents transmit soul-life to their children?

Rev. 11:7	Satan	Beast out of the pit
Rev. 13:1	Antichrist	Beast out of the sea
Rev. 13:11	False prophet	Beast out of the land

LOWER & UPPER CLASSES



TRUMPET	METHOD	RESULT
1 st	Hail, fire and blood mixture hurled to earth	1/3 of the land surface is consumed; 1/3 of the trees are consumed; all types of green vegetation are consumed.
2 nd	An object as large as a great mountain burning with fire was hurled into the sea	1/3 of the sea turns into blood; 1/3 of the creatures in the sea are killed; 1/3 of the sailing vessels are destroyed.
3 rd	A giant star (Wormwood) blazing like a torch falls out of heaven	1/3 of the rivers and underground water springs are polluted, poisoning and killing many people.
4 th	1/3 of the sun, 1/3 of the moon, and 1/3 of the stars are struck	1/3 of the surface of the sun, moon, and stars are darkened; they do not provide light for 1/3 of their duration.

TRUMPET	METHOD	RESULT
5 th	Flying locust-demons that cannot be killed by terrestrial weapons are released from their prison house in the bottomless pit	The sun and the atmosphere became darkened because of the smoke from the pit. They are allowed to torture humans with scorpion-like stings for five months.
	Loss of volition	Humans will not be allowed to die for 5 months. They will be forced to endure constant demonic torture without the ability to commit suicide.
6 th	200-million demon cavalry soldiers are released upon the earth with three deadly weapons	1/3 of the population on earth is tortured by extremely painful weapons and eventually killed by fire, smoke and sulfur.

Symbols

SYMBOL	MEANING	REFERENCE
Seven spirits before His throne	Complete ministry of the Holy Spirit	Rev. 1:4, 4:5, 5:6
His blood	Spiritual death of Christ on the cross	Rev. 1:5
Royal power	In the sphere of God's power, filling of the Spirit	Rev. 1:6
Clouds	Great army of believers, groups of people	Rev. 1:7
Tribes of the land	Re-gathered Israel	Rev. 1:7
Alpha (first, beginning)	Pre-incarnate Christ	Rev. 1:8, 17
Omega (last, end)	Christ in hypostatic union	Rev. 1:8, 17
Seven golden lampstands	Seven churches in Ionia	Rev. 1:12, 20
Gold	Royalty	Rev. 1:13
Sash	Aristocracy	Rev. 1:13
Hair white like snow	Wisdom of age, heavenly glory, sinless	Rev. 1:14
Hair white like wool	Purity, sinless, impeccability, holiness	Rev. 1:14
Eyes like flame of fire	Penetrating judgment	Rev. 1:14, 2:18
Feet like bronze	National judgment, divine discipline, economic collapse	Rev. 1:15, 2:18
Voice like the sound of many waters (waterfall)	Majesty of His absolute, divine sovereignty	Rev. 1:15
Right hand	Delegated authority	Rev. 1:16
Seven stars	Messengers or pastors to the seven churches in Ionia	Rev. 1:16, 20
Two-edged broadsword	Protects and destroys, divine discipline, military action	Rev. 1:16, 2:12
Like the sun	Glory or reflected glory	Rev. 1:16
Hades	Temporary home of the unbelieving dead	Rev. 1:18
Keys	Authority, token of office	Rev. 1:18
Tree of Life	Reward of happiness	Rev. 2:7
He who has an ear to hear	Teachable, interested in learning the Word of God	Rev. 2:7
Eating	Enjoying a reward	Rev. 2:7
Paradise	Heavenly home for believers	Rev. 2:7
Victor's Crown of Life	Reward for martyrdom	Rev. 2:10
2 nd Death	Eternal destiny with rewards	Rev. 2:11
Throne of Satan	Base of operations, HQ	Rev. 2:13
Nicolaitanes	Licentious gnostic cult	Rev. 2:15
Portion of Manna	Spiritual blessings, reward	Rev. 2:17
White stone	Privileged access badge for overcoming believers	Rev. 2:17
New name	Title of honor reserved for winner	Rev. 2:17

	believers (overcomers)	
Jezebel	Self-appointed prophetess who indoctrinates and seduces Christians from the truth	Rev. 2:20
Sin unto death	Living a lifestyle of sin up to the day of physical death	Rev. 2:23
Iron scepter	Aggressive use of delegated divine authority	Rev. 2:27
Order of the Morning Star	Winners (overcomers) will receive this honorary title as members of a cadre of elite spiritual warriors	Rev. 2:28
White garments	Uniforms of honor or robes of glory representing holiness	Rev. 3:4, 4:4
Book of Life	The list of God's elect by name including their title of honor and earned rewards	Rev. 3:5
Key of David	Authority over Israel during the Millennial Reign; opens and closes doors	Rev. 3:7
Open door	Opportunity for the believer to grow spiritually	Rev. 3:8
Pillar in the temple of God	Permanent historical record in heaven of the mature believer as an anonymous hero of the Church Age	Rev. 3:12
City of My God	The new Jerusalem	Rev. 3:12
Cold	Unbeliever	Rev. 3:15
Hot	Growing believer	Rev. 3:15
Lukewarm	Apathetic believer	Rev. 3:16
Door	An invitation to fellowship, not a call to salvation	Rev. 3:20
Knocking	Warning discipline	Rev. 3:20
Dining	Fellowship with the Lord	Rev. 3:20
Father's throne	In heaven	Rev. 3:21
Jesus' throne	On earth in Israel	Rev. 3:21
Precious stone/ruby	Intrinsic value of Christ as our High Priest	Rev. 4:3
Rainbow	Christ's faithfulness and integrity	Rev. 4:3
Emerald	Eternality of God's Word	Rev. 4:3
Golden crowns	Victory, royalty	Rev. 4:4
Lightnings	Disasters in progress	Rev. 4:5
Roaring sounds/noises	Impending disasters	Rev. 4:5
Thunders	Disaster aftershocks	Rev. 4:5
Seven torches	Judicial activity of the Holy Spirit during the tribulation	Rev. 4:5
Fire	Judgment	Rev. 4:5
Sea of glass	Transparent floor in the throne room	Rev. 4:6
Four living creatures (probably <i>seraphim</i>)	Angels who guard the throne room and offer continual praise to God	Rev. 4:6
Eyes in front and back	Wisdom and high rank	Rev. 4:6
Lion	Lion of the tribe of Judah	Rev. 4:7

Young bull	Virgin birth, impeccability	Rev. 4:7
Face like a man	Humanity of Christ in hypostatic union	Rev. 4:7
Flying eagle	National deliverance by sovereign grace	Rev. 4:7
Eyes inside and outside	Wisdom from perception and application of doctrine	Rev. 4:8
Six similar wings	Insignia of high rank	Rev. 4:8
Lamb	Strategic victory of Jesus Christ on the cross	Rev. 5:6
Horns and eyes	Sevenfold ministry of the Holy Spirit	Rev. 5:6
Golden bowl full of incense	Prayers of the saints	Rev. 5:8
Royal kingdom	Winner believers collectively united as a group	Rev. 5:10
Priests	Winner believers individually	Rev. 5:10
Creature in heaven	Bride of Christ	Rev. 5:13
Creature on earth	Humans remaining on earth after the rapture	Rev. 5:13
White horse	Peaceful conquest	Rev. 6:1
Rider on the white horse	The Beast, the Antichrist	Rev. 6:1
Bow	Unconventional warfare	Rev. 6:1
Crown	Bureaucratic authority	Rev. 6:1
Red horse	Civil war & rebellion	Rev. 6:4
Rider on the red horse	The Beast, the Antichrist	Rev. 6:4
Great sword	International military police	Rev. 6:4
Black horse	Famine and economic depression	Rev. 6:5
Rider on the black horse	The Beast, the Antichrist	Rev. 6:5
Balance scales	Power over all money, food, health care, energy and other necessities of life	Rev. 6:5
Pale horse	Terror and death	Rev. 6:8
Rider on the pale horse	Death: cavalry Hades: infantry	Rev. 6:8
Broadsword	Terror and war	Rev. 6:8
White robe	Translucent garment over their interim body	Rev. 6:11
144,000	Jewish warrior-priests	Rev. 7:4
Springs of the water of life	Still learning Bible doctrine throughout eternity	Rev. 7:17
Wormwood	Poison and pollution	Rev. 8:11
Fallen star	Satan	Rev. 9:1
Locusts	Demons from the Abyss	Rev. 9:3
Four angels imprisoned at Euphrates River	Demon princes or generals	Rev. 9:14
200,000,000	Demon soldiers	Rev. 9:16
Breastplates	Body armor	Rev. 9:17
Cloud	Glory, power and wisdom of the Lord	Rev. 10:1
Rainbow	Justice and integrity of God	Rev. 10:1
Sun	Divine opposition to the kingdom of darkness	Rev. 10:1
Pillar of fire	Divine protection during times of	Rev. 10:1

	historical disaster	
Little book	Title deed to planet Earth	Rev. 10:2
Seven thunders	Detachment of messenger angels	Rev. 10:3
Two olive trees	Anointed ones	Rev. 11:4
Two lampstands	Truth bearers	Rev. 11:4
Sodom and Egypt	Immortality and religion	Rev. 11:8