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Scripture: The Book of Revelation Overview

This final prophetic book is the Revelation of Jesus Christ.

“Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.” - Rev 19:9

The Introduction and Blessing - (Verses 1:1-3)

Jesus is the Revelation from God to man. He is the complete fulfillment of the Old Testament and He unveils God's perfect plan in the New Testament.

The Seven Letters to the Churches - (Verses 1:2-3:22)

John wrote the book of Revelations to encourage believers in seven churches to resist sin, remain faithful even while being persecuted, and to hopefully anticipate the soon return of Jesus Christ as King of Kings & Lord of Lords.

The Sacrificed Lamb of God - (Verses 4:1-5:14)

The Old Testament's promise of God's future victorious kingdom was unveiled through Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Jesus was the crucified Passover Lamb and Messiah Who alone was worthy to open the sealed scroll.

The Three Sets of Seven Judgments - (Verses 6:1-16:21)

Seal, Trumpet, and Bowl Judgements: These three sets of seven divine judgments do not generate repentance from the nations. Instead what does is God's mercy revealed through Jesus and His believers who die for their faith.

The Mystery of Babylon the Great Revealed - (Verses 17:1-18:1-24)

Babylon represents the kingdoms of this world past, present and future. The final Babylon represents the complete domination of the entire world using a Forced Religion, Military Power, and State Controlled Monetary System.

The Marriage Supper of the Lamb - (Verses 19:1-10)

Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!

The Final Spiritual Battle between Good & Evil - (Verses 19:11-20:15)

Several symbols signify spiritual and earthly battles. The church can choose to resist Babylon and follow the Lamb or follow the beast and suffer defeat.

The Promise of God's Future Kingdom - (Verses 21:1-22:21)

After the rebellion against God and the final battle, King Jesus returns to punish evil, vindicate His followers, and reign forever in the New Jerusalem.

Jesus says, “Surely I am coming quickly.”

Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus!

There are three key points to remember as one ventures into studying the book of Revelation:

- 1. Every human kingdom eventually becomes as Babylon and must be resisted.** We must not be overcome by evil, but we must overcome evil with good.
- 2. Jesus, the slain Lamb who died for the sins of the world, will return quickly as the King of Kings** along with His followers which prompts a “final day of repentance” from a world gone astray.
- 3. Jesus will permanently remove evil and make all things new.** There will be a new Heaven, a new Earth and a new Jerusalem!

Knowing of these facts, blessings, rewards, should motivate all generations of God's people to be hopeful, encouraged, and prepared to remain faithful, even in the midst of persecution, until our King of Kings and Lord of Lords, Jesus Christ returns back to earth to take us unto Himself.

Revelation 22:20-21 says, “Surely I am coming quickly.” — Amen.

Even so, come, Lord Jesus!

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

Amen.