

Chapter highlights from *The Revelation of Jesus Christ*

Chapter one

- 1:1 The revelation is given to Jesus to show His future works.
- 1:1 Jesus sends to John a messenger (angel) to share this revelation with John
 - The messenger is a prophet Rev. 22:8, 9
- This book is prophecy 1:1, 3, 19 / 22:7, 10, 18-19
- The 'angel' speaks on behalf of Jesus Christ. 1:4-6,8
- 1:7 This coming is not the rapture
- John is transported to the "Lord's day" and (10)heard behind him – (12) saw behind him, 7 candlesticks and One described (13 – 15) and holding 7 stars (16)
- He speaks (18 to 3:22)
- Explains the 7 stars and 7 candlesticks (20)

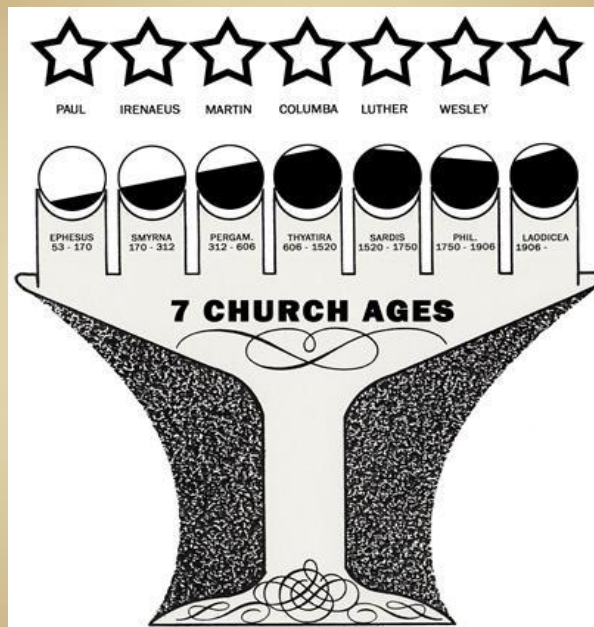
Chapter Two and Three

- Each letter is addressed to one. The angel (messenger) of each of the 7 Gentile churches
 - Remember, this book is a prophecy – sealed (10:4) until the ‘angel’ is recognized as a prophet (22:10) “seal not”
- Each letter follows a similar pattern of :
 - Jesus declares one of His manifold attributes that relate back to chapter one
 - The Commendation to the age (all except Laodicea)
 - The Complaint against the age
 - The exhortation
 - The reward to the overcomer.

Chapters two and three

The seven messengers are:

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| • Paul | Ephesus | 53 - 170 |
| • Irenaeus | Smyrna | 170 - 312 |
| • Martin | Pergamos | 312-606 |
| • Columba | Thyatira | 606-1520 |
| • Luther | Sardis | 1520-1750 |
| • Wesley | Philadelphia | 1750-1906 |
| • Branham | Laodicea | 1906-Translation |



Chapter Four

- After this
- After the seven ages the “come up hither” begins.
 - This begins the first of the three step ‘rapture’. [Shout Voice Trump]
- A door is opened in heaven
 - Jesus, who is the word, is the door. John 10:7-9
- ONE sits on the throne (mercy/judgment seat)
- Elders are crowned, -now beyond the resurrection.
- We see in heaven a reflection of O.T. Tabernacle
- The seven Spirits (lamps of fire) = Candlestick
- “Sea of glass” clear – no blood. Mercy is over for Gentiles
- The four ‘beasts’ are cherubim

Chapter Five

- Sets the scene for the “seals” of chapter 6
- This is not an action chapter, a verse by verse something happening.
- A closed book (It is the book of redemption)
- Is there no one worthy to open this book?
- The lamb, with 7 eyes and 7 horns, takes the book from the hand of the original owner on the throne
- Adam had forfeited it when he walked away from the Word.
- The lamb is seen no more, until chapter 19.
- Heaven breaks into worship
- Thou... hast redeemed us; made us a kingdom of priests

Chapter Six

- The seals hold the mystery of:
 - Redemption for the Gentiles church 6:1-8 Seals 1 to 4
 - Redemption of elect Jews from Calvary to the rapture 6:9-11
 - They must wait until the 144,000 of chapter seven are killed as they were.
 - Redemption of the 144,000, the foolish virgins, earth's purging, and “the wrath of the lamb” (judgment on those who rejected grace)
 - 6:12 – 17 This is the “tribulation” seal
 - This now the “day of the Lord” or ‘the Lord’s day’ where John was looking back onto the church ages in Rev. 1:10-12
 - Let’s place the first four seals over the church ages. [Slide 5]

Chapter Seven

- 7:1 – 3 WW I opened the sixth seal tribulation prematurely. At the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month the war was rather mysteriously called to a halt. God had work to do among the Jews.
- 7:4–8 144,000 elect Jews will be called out of the 12 tribes of Israel by the two witnesses of chapter eleven
- 7:9-17 THIS we will discuss.
- c/f Daniel 7 & 11:35 & 12:10 also Rev. 21:13 & 22:5

Chapter Eight

- The seventh seal = the coming of the Lord
- The first four trumpets begin to be declared
- Trumpets are to Israel what the seals were to the Gentiles --- they hold the mystery of how God redeemed.
- Trumpets are not fully explained to us, for they are to the Jews