

Revelation

*The Consummation of God's Plan
through Jesus Christ*

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The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise Him all creatures here below

Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

The Books of the Bible

Old Testament

New Testament

I. The Pentateuch

Genesis
Exodus
Leviticus
Numbers
Deuteronomy

II. The Historical Books

Joshua
Judges
Ruth
1 Samuel
2 Samuel
1 Kings
2 Kings
1 Chronicles
2 Chronicles
Ezra
Nehemiah
Esther

III. The Poetical Books

Job
Psalms
Proverbs
Ecclesiastes
Song of Solomon

IV. The Prophets

A. The Major Prophets

Isaiah
Jeremiah
Lamentations
Ezekiel
Daniel

B. The Minor Prophets

Hosea
Joel
Amos
Obadiah
Jonah
Micah
Nahum
Habakkuk
Zephaniah
Haggai
Zechariah
Malachi

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I. Gospels

Matthew
Mark
Luke
John

II. History

Acts

III. Pauline Epistles

Romans
1 Corinthians
2 Corinthians
Galatians
Ephesians
Philippians
Colossians
1 Thessalonians
2 Thessalonians
1 Timothy
2 Timothy
Titus
Philemon

IV. General Epistles

Hebrews
James
1 Peter
2 Peter
1 John
2 John
3 John
Jude

V. Prophecy

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- *“Write What You Have Seen” (Chap. 1)*

II. THE MESSAGE FOR THE PEOPLE:

- *“What Is Now”—Present (Chaps. 2–3)*

III. THE MESSAGE OF PROPHECY:

- *“What Will Take Place Later”—Future (Chaps. 4–22)*

Why Study Prophecy?!

- *3 Reasons why we should study prophecy:*

1. The prominence of prophecy in the Bible
2. The priority of prophecy for the godly saints
3. The practicality of prophecy

- I. Hope (John 14:1-3)
- II. Endurance (1 Thess. 1:3)
- III. Joy (Rom. 12:12)
- IV. Assurance (Heb. 6:10-20)
- V. Purity (1 John 3:2-3)

Introductory Issues on the Book of Revelation

- *Authorship*
- *Date*
- *Background*
- *Purpose*
- *Theme*
- *Audience*

4 Methods of Interpreting the Book of Revelation throughout Church History

- 1. The Preterist approach (Past)**
- 2. The Historicist approach (Present)**
- 3. The Allegorical approach (Timeless)**
- 4. The Futurist approach (Future)**

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I. The Message to the Prophet: *"Write what you have seen" (Chap. 1)*

- ***The Prologue (1:1-8)***

1. **The superscription (vv. 1-3)**

- *The uniqueness & completeness of the revelation*

2. **The salutation (v. 4)**

- *The Apostle John to the 7 Churches*

3. **The subject (vv. 5-6)**

- *Jesus Christ*

4. **The synopsis (vv. 7-8)**

- *He is coming!*

I. The Message to the Prophet (cont.)

- *The Preparation of the Prophet (1:9-20)*

1. The setting for the commission (vv. 9-11)

- *Persecution*

2. The source of the commission (vv. 12-16)

- *The risen & glorified Christ*

3. The statement of the commission (vv. 17-20)

- *Jesus: The eternal, living, risen Christ*
- *The outline for the book (present & future)*
- *The 7 angels & 7 golden lampstands defined*

The Seven Churches of Revelation



The 7 Churches of Revelation

- Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia & Laodicea
- They are historic and representative.
 1. The number “seven” is symbolic & representative for John.
 2. The promise to each of the churches at the close of each letter is the exhortation to hear what the Spirit says to “the churches.”
 3. These 7 churches may represent the 7 successive periods of church history.