

Revelation

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

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When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Isaac Watts

When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.

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Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast
save in the death of Christ, my God!
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them through His blood.

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See, from His head, His hands, His feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?

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Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were a present far too small.
Love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.

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I. THE MESSAGE TO THE PROPHET:

- *“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)*

Revelation 4–5: The Key to Understanding God’s Judgment in Revelation 6–18

- “After these things” (Gk. *meta tauta*)

- Change in Setting (Time & Space)

- Present → Future

- Earth → Heaven

1. The Place of the Judgment (Chap. 4)

2. The Person of the Judge (Chap. 5)

Outline of Future Events in Revelation 4–22

- Prologue (chaps. 4–5)
- 1. The Tribulation Period (chaps. 6–18)**
- 2. The Second Advent of Jesus Christ (chap. 19)**
- 3. The Millennium (chap. 20)**
- 4. The Eternal State (21:1–22:6)**
- Epilogue (22:7-21)

The Person of the Judge in Revelation 5

- The Key Question:

“Who is worthy to break open the seals and open the scroll of God’s Judgment?”

(Seal, Trumpet, Bowl Judgments)

The Judgments in Rev. 6–18

- Some Interpretive Keys:
 1. The Judgments are sequential but concurrent.
 2. The 7 Trumpet Judgments come out of the seventh Seal Judgment, and the 7 Bowl Judgments come out of the seventh Trumpet Judgment.

The 7 Seal Judgments

1. First Seal (6:1-2)–The Appearance of the Antichrist
2. Second Seal (6:3-4)–World Wars
3. Third Seal (6:5-6)–Economic Disaster & Famine
4. Fourth Seal (6:7-8)–Death (1/4 world's population)
5. Fifth Seal (6:9-11)–Martyrdom of Believers
6. Sixth Seal (6:12-14)–Catastrophic Disturbances
7. Seventh Seal (8:1-6)–The 7 Trumpet Judgments

The Parenthetical Interlude of Rev. 7

- **The Interlude of Grace (Rev. 7:1-17)**
 - The answer to the Question: “The great day of their wrath has come, and who can stand?” (6:17)
- **2 Groups in Focus:**
 1. The 144,000 Jews (vv. 1-8)
 - The Sealed Jewish evangelists
 2. The Multitude of Gentiles (vv. 9-17)
 - The Gentiles who come to faith in Christ during the Tribulation as a result of the Jewish evangelists

The 7 Trumpet Judgments

1. **1st Trump (8:6-7): 1/3 earth destroyed**
2. **2nd Trump (8:8-9): 1/3 sea destroyed**
3. **3rd Trump (8:10-11): 1/3 rivers, clear waters destroyed**
4. **4th Trump (8:12-13): 1/3 sun, moon, stars struck down**
5. **5th Trump (9:1-12): 1st Woe (1st wave demonic torture)**
6. **6th Trump (9:13-21): 2nd Woe (2nd wave of demonic torture, 1/3 more of the earth's population dead)**
7. **7th Trump (11:15-19): 3rd Woe (The 7 Bowl Judgments of Chapters 15–16)**

The Parenthetical Interlude of Revelation 10–11

- **2 Important Perspectives for the Period:**
 1. **The Mighty Angel & the Little Scroll (chap. 10)**
 - **Jesus Christ (Judge)–Fulfillment of OT Promises**
 2. **The Jerusalem Temple & the 2 Witnesses (chap. 11)**
 - **2 Witnesses during the Tribulation**
 - Moses & Elijah (Present Age & Age to Come)**