

## STUDY GUIDE FOR OUR THURSDAY EVENING STUDIES

1. Reading Revelation, Chapter 1:1-8 -The Prologue
2. The Book of Revelation (The Apocalypse) fits into the structures of the Scriptures and also possesses a structure of its own, which we consider in detail in a few weeks.
  - a. The whole Old Testament (Covenant), from Genesis 1:1-Malachi 4:6 (3:24 in Hebrew) **flows into** the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. The O.T. (*Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms* (Luke 24:44)) converges upon John the Baptist, the son of a priest and a priest's daughter. John in turn points to Jesus as the *Lamb of God*: "*Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!*" Jesus is THE FOCUS of the Scriptures.
  - b. **From** the Four Gospels of the New Testament (Covenant) (Matthew 1:1-John 21:25) the message of Jesus flows into the Acts, the Epistles, and the Revelation.
  - c. Hebrews 1:1-4 infallibly summarizes the Bible's own structure of Time, and the relationship between the Old and New Testaments. Heb. 1:1-4 reveals to us that the Son is God, sent to us by God the Father, as God's Final Spokesman. (*Revelation: The Book of Blessing*, Vol. 1, pp. 68-69)
3. **Psalm 2:7** (Acts 13:33; Heb. 1:5; 5:5; Matt. 3:17) and **Psalm 110:1** (Matt. 22:44-45; Mark 12:36) summarize the whole Bible.
4. Matt. 26:63-64 summarize the whole Book of Revelation
5. Revelation 1:1 *The Revelation of Jesus Christ; The reappearance of Jesus Christ; the unveiling of Jesus Christ; the uncovering of Jesus Christ*
  - a. The Book of Revelation assumes the Gospel of Jesus Christ (Scriptures)
  - b. The Book of Revelation is about Jesus and from Jesus

- c. The Book of Revelation pronounces  **blessings**  upon the reader and the hearers who will accept the promises of the Book, and its admonitions.
  - d. The goal of antichrists is to displace Jesus the Christ. This is one reason why this last Book of the Bible is so controversial. There is definitely a demonic assault against God's Word.
6. The Book of Revelation comes down to  **two answers**  to two of Jesus' questions:
- a. Matt. 16:15 *He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" (Ps. 2) ; (who is He?)*
  - b. Matt. 22:43-46 *He said to them, "Then how does David in the Spirit call Him 'Lord,' saying, 'The Lord said to my LORD, "Sit at My right hand, Until I put Thine enemies beneath Thy feet "'? "If David then calls Him 'Lord,' how is He his son?" <sup>46</sup> And no one was able to answer Him a word, nor did anyone dare from that day on to ask Him another question. (Ps. 110:1) What has He done?)*
7. The purpose of Bible Study is to teach you about Jesus and to explain why He is the only Savior and the only way of salvation.
- a. John 14:6 *Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but through Me.*
  - b. Acts 4:11-12 *He is the Stone which was rejected by you, the builders, but which became the very Corner Stone. <sup>12</sup> "And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men, by which we must be saved."*
  - c. Romans 10:9-11 *...that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you shall be saved; <sup>10</sup> for with the heart man believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation. <sup>11</sup> For the Scripture says, "Whoever believes in Him will not be disappointed."*

REVELATION 1:1-3

*The Revelation of Jesus Christ Which God gave to Him  
To show [to reveal] to His servants  
the things that are providentially arranged  
to take place in quick succession.*

*And He made known by signs the revelation [the disclosure]  
through His angel whom He sent  
to His bond-servant, John, who bore testimony  
to the Word of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ, everything he saw.  
[the witness of the Word of God to Jesus Christ]  
Blessed is the one reading  
and  
the ones hearing the words of the prophecy  
and  
heeding the things that have been written in The Revelation  
because their fulfillment is near. [time is almost up]*

REVELATION 1: 4-8

*John's letter to the Seven Churches that are in Asia  
Grace and peace to you  
from  
THE ONE WHO IS AND THE ONE WHO WAS AND THE COMING ONE  
and  
from  
THE SEVEN SPIRITS WHO are before HIS THRONE  
and  
from  
JESUS CHRIST*

*[who is] The Faithful Witness, The Firstborn from the dead, and The Ruler  
of the kings of the earth.*

*To The One loving us*

*and*

*having loosed us from our sins by His blood*

*and*

*made us a Kingdom, priests to His God and Father*

*To Him [be] glory and power into the ages and beyond. Amen.*

*Behold He is coming with the clouds And every eye shall see Him*

*And those who pierced Him (shall see Him)*

*And all the tribes of the earth shall mourn over Him.*

*It is true. Amen.*

*I AM the Alpha and the Omega*

*says*

*The LORD God,*

*The One Who is and The One who was and The One who is coming,*

*The Almighty.*

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