



Teaching Revelation

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God's Way to Study His Word:

This book was developed as a web page on ljc1611kjv.com. It was then converted to print format and to e-book format. On the web page, and in the e-book format, there are links which can be used to go to the referenced information. The print format, unfortunately, requires the reader to physically go to the referenced material.

Some of the supporting web pages have been included in the print format and e-book format but some of the supporting material is not included but is available on the web site.

This book is part of a series which, God willing, will be published for the entire New Testament and prove that there are **NO** errors nor conflicts within the New Testament. The Detail Studies, which this series is based upon, cover every sentence, every verse, every phrase, every punctuation mark and every doctrinally significant word in every Bible book studied. People have looked for about twenty (20) years and failed to find any other work that covers all that this series cover and yet no one has found any other work which covers the level of detail found in the Detail Studies. Further, the Detail Studies have literally several million Bible references to support the interpretation provided and to show that “[the perfect word of God](#)” is consistent all across it for word definitions and doctrines.

Again, no one has found any other work which has this quantity of Bible references supporting what is presented. I do not write this to brag but to inform the reader the depth of study which supports what is presented in this series. This is because I did not write any of these things on my own but only wrote what the Holy Ghost showed me.

In [2Timothy 2:15](#) we read: “[Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth](#)”. The true definition of the word “[dividing](#)” is: *'a Mathematical function whereby we separate pre-defined units according to a precise procedure which produces a precise result'*. However, while most people understand that *'there is one interpretation but many applications of the word of God'*, they fail to separate the procedures of each. And, as a result, they fail to separate the *'one interpretation of the word of God'* from the *'many applications of the word of God'*. This leads to many errors which people blame on “[the perfect word of God](#)” instead of their use of the wrong procedure.

The result, of men using the wrong way, is that men claim that there are errors and conflicts in God's word. In, God tells us how to understand His word. In addition, God preserved the message of His word; He preserves every word of His sentences; and God preserves every punctuation mark (“[jot and tittle](#)”) of His sentences. Therefore, God preserved what He wanted us to understand and God told us [how to understand](#) His word so that we have no errors and no conflicts. Unfortunately, for at least one hundred and fifty (150) years men have been taught to use man's way to understand “[the word of God](#)”, instead of using God's way.

In [Isaiah 55:8-9](#) we read: “[For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD, For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts](#)”. Thus, God warns us that our ways are wrong and that using God's “[way](#)” produces better results, which have no errors and no conflicts.

In addition, [1Corinthians 2:14](#) tells us: “[But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned](#)”. Therefore, we can not properly understand the spiritual “[word of God](#)” using man's way. We must use God's way to understand God's preserved “[word of God](#)”. And, the basics of God's way is to understand His preserved “[word of God](#)” is using the sentence format and true Biblical definitions for Bible words.

This Study follows the [Biblical Way to understand God's Word](#). It applies “[precepts](#)” (*'truths that never change for any circumstance'*). It then goes through the Bible book sentence-upon-sentence (“[line upon](#)

line”). This is different from the ways of men which use verse-upon-verse or some other method which generates errors. God's sentence-upon-sentence method also pays attention to what 'the word of God' tells us that God preserved, which are the true Biblical meanings of words and the Biblical usage of punctuation. (These two are the components of sentences and do not give us verses.) The 'the word of God' tells us that God preserved punctuation (“one jot or one tittle”) in [Matthew 5:18](#); [Luke 16:17](#). And, the 'the word of God' tells us that God preserved “every word” when God wrote: “Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God” in [Deuteronomy 8:3](#); [Matthew 4:4](#) and [Luke 4:4](#).

The summary of each Bible book comes from the summary of each chapter within that book. Every chapter summary comes from the summary of each sentence within that chapter. And, the sentence summaries come from analysis using the punctuation and true word definitions, as already explained. As a result, we have what God literally had written and see that there are no conflicts even when we consider the smallest part of a sentence compared to the entire Bible book. God is consistent from the start of a Bible book to the end and is consistent in His doctrines and word definitions across the entire Bible. What we have is an integrated whole (single) message, with no errors and no conflicts. This particular book Study is part of a detailed analysis of the entire New Testament which shows this truth.

Other than cults, all claims of errors and conflicts are based upon the New Testament. This Study is part of a series which interprets the preserved “word of God” using God's way and proving that there are no errors, nor any conflicts, if we obey God and use His way to interpret His word. And, this series concentrates on the New Testament, since that is the basis of these lies about the perfect “word of God”.

I have read, or at least skimmed, every book which has been written in the last hundred and fifty (150) years and which claims to teach people how to study and understand “the word of God”. In every case, they use a method which comes from man and do not use God's way ([Isaiah 55:8](#)) to study and understand “the word of God”. And, while there are variations from one man-written method to another man-written method, every one of them ends up with problems. The end result of those problems is that people blame God's perfect word for their own problems and either turn to a man-written 'bible' or skip verses. (By skipping the interpretation of certain verses, they can hide the conflict which their method has produced.)

Now, many people find that the Detail Studies to be overwhelming because they have everything required to prove that there are **NO** errors in “the perfect word of God”. This summary level is easier to understand for most people. At the same time, if someone has an argument with what is presented here, the matching Detail Study provides all of the proof required in order to show that what is here matches exactly what God wrote in His word. Again, this is not a matter of my opinion versus their opinion. I have over thirty (30) years' experience as a professional Systems Analyst with an international reputation for accuracy in how to prove things. And, this series of books are the result of using recognized methods of analysis to prove what God actually wrote. This series does not present a religious opinion. Therefore, a religious opinion, which was arrived at from using wrong methods, is not superior to a true analysis of what God wrote.

People have looked for over twenty (20) years and failed to find any other work that covers everything this series cover. In addition, no one has found any other work which covers the level of detail found in the Detail Studies. Further, the Detail Studies literally have several million Bible references to support the interpretation provided and to show that “the perfect word of God” is consistent all across it for word definitions and doctrines. Again, no one has found any other work which has this quantity of Bible references supporting what is presented. I do not write this to brag but to inform the reader the depth of study which supports what is presented in this series.

Let any who disagree show their method and the results of their method and try to explain how their method, which produces errors, is greater than God's “way” which produces no errors and no conflicts.

Overview of Revelation

Book Theme: The Revelation of Jesus Christ

General Considerations:

Other people have written all kinds of commentaries on this epistle. You can find many disagreements between these commentaries. The commentaries that teach doctrinal error ignore the context as they try to justify their doctrine. Such action is motivated by devils and the resulting doctrinal error can bring the judgment of God upon His people instead of the blessings that God wants to give. [1John 4:1](#) tells us “Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.” The commentaries which do base their comments upon what is actually written, with consideration of context and proper methods of interpretation, will agree on doctrine even while presenting different views of that doctrine.

Please beware. There are many deceived and devil-motivated liars who teach doctrinal error about the things found in this book. In addition they strongly defend their error because they want to hold onto a wrong application of what is found here. This Study is not about the applications, although there will be some in it. No, this Study is about the true interpretation. God showed me His way to interpret His word which I have applied to all of the New Testament and proven that there are no errors in it if we use God's way to interpret God's word. There are many other methods of interpretation which lead to conflicts and errors. And, while men blame God's "perfect word" for those conflicts and errors, the true source of them is the method of interpretation used.

In addition, many have been deceived into believing that their application must be right when it disagrees with the true interpretation. That is a lie from a devil. Thus, one of the main purposes of this Study is to let the Bible student resolve which doctrine is correct when they are given conflicting doctrines. Therefore, these differences are due to two different perspectives and two different way to study "the word of God".

This Study was written to give the reader what is literally written based upon the single interpretation which is derived from laws which "God ordained before the world" ([1Corinthians 2:7](#)). There are many differences are due to popular religious doctrines coming from the many applications instead of from the literal interpretation. Therefore, there will, probably, be many differences between what is presented here and what is taught by most preachers. Some of those conflicts will be significant and some will not. I have testified many times that I back my doctrine with my literal life. I am willing to have God kill me if what I write goes against what is literally in "the word of God". I have had several preachers insist that my doctrine was wrong but they also insisted that they were not willing to back their doctrine with their literal life. So far, I have seen God literally physically kill four such people, spiritually kill the ministries of three pastors, bring lesser (permanent medical problems) on three people and not show any judgment upon others. We are commanded, in "the word of God", to look for the power of God in a person's life when they claim to be a "man of God". You use whatever judgment that you want and believe whatever you want about this book. I have provided this warning.

Below are some general comments which apply to all of this Bible book. After those comments are very short summaries of each chapter in this book. Following the short summaries are more detailed summaries of each chapter which provide links to various parts of the Detailed Study, of this book, so that the reader can easily access the interpretation of any part of this book.

Almost every sentence from the start of [Chapter 4](#) through the end of [Chapter 16](#) start with the word "And". That ties all of that section together as a single unit. After that, John reports other things but we need to realize that the structure of this Bible book makes all of that a single unit which needs to be considered together for contextual reasons. All of those chapters give us the majority of the report from John about God bringing judgment upon this

Earth, and upon men who have rejected "Jesus" as their personal "Christ" and "King". Most people go into these chapters and feel that they can take bits and pieces out of context while claiming to preach God's truth. However, that is deception from devils.

One simple example is that our book starts out with the phrase: "The Revelation of Jesus Christ".

1. The word "Revelation" is singular, not plural. [Revelation 10:4](#) says: "And when the seven thunders had uttered their voices, I was about to write: and I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered, and write them not". People who claim that this book is '*revelations*' claim that it is about God revealing future events. But, if that were true, then He would not have told John: "Seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered, and write them not". Our opening phrase literally tells us that it is about revealing "Jesus Christ" and only those future events which reveal His character were included by God. Future events which did not reveal Him were not allowed to be included.
2. The word "The" means: '*there is only one and here it is!*'. This is different from the word "a", which means: '*one of many*'. this book does not give many '*revelations*' but is entirely a singular "Revelation of Jesus Christ". And, "the word of God" warns us that people will preach another "lord", another "Jesus", and another "Christ". If what they preach does not match the character revealed in this book then they are acting as a minister of Satan, even if they are saved.
3. The word "Revelation" is capitalized. That makes it a formal name for the "Son of God". Other revealed prophecies, or mysteries, use a lower-case word. this book of the Bible tells us how the "Son of God" reveals the character, power and judgment of God.
4. Our sentence continues with; "which God gave unto him", which means that God the Father gave this to "Jesus Christ". Anyone who goes against what is literally written in this book is claiming that they have more power and authority than God the Father and "the Son of God" combined because they are claiming that they can change what God revealed in this book. [Revelation 22:18-19](#) says: "For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book, And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book". Anyone who ignores that warning proves that they are a fool and anyone who follows such a fool also proves that they are a fool.
5. Our sentence goes on and gives many more doctrines which are covered in the Detailed Study of this book.

One important thing to be aware of, for this book more than any other book in "the word of God", is that there are many servants of Satan preaching and teaching many lies based upon this book. The wise person will reject all such lies. This Study concentrates on what is literally written using God's way to interpret God's word. As already written, this Study tries to avoid the many applications, which is the basis and purpose of most books and sermons based upon this Bible book. For almost twenty years preachers have said that they would prove errors in what I publish but NO ONE has done so. This is not to brag but to let the reader know that they can compare what any preacher claims to what is written here and, if he claims that what is here is wrong, then demand that he write me with his proof. If what he claims matches what is written here, then you can know that his message is reliable.

Another point of contention, about this book, is when does the "Lord Jesus Christ" return for His bride (the '*Rapture*'). Some claim that it will happen before the "great tribulation", which is what most of this book of prophecy is about. (They are called '*Pre-Trib*'). Some claim that it will not happen until after the "great tribulation", which is when He returns to conquer and rule and reign this world for 1,000 years. (They are called '*Post-Trib*'). And, some claim that it will happen in the middle of the "great tribulation". (They are called '*Mid-Trib*'). And there are several books written about this argument. However, [John 5:39](#) says: "Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me". "Jesus" said this to a bunch of religious leaders who used their religious traditions and their natural reasoning to claim that they were the top religious authority on religious matters. And, that is the basis of all of the arguments about when the '*Rapture*' will happen. But, "Jesus" was telling them to learn His character and testimony first. Any religious argument which goes against the revealed character and testimony of "Jesus" is wrong and from a devil.

Another point is that this book reveals "Jesus Christ", Who is God and "God is a Spirit" ([John 4:24](#)). God wrote His word to reveal Himself to man. There is a spiritual perspective of "the word of God" and a physical-religious

perspective. And, when these two are in conflict, then the spiritual perspective is always right.

A simple example is that the first sentence in [Romans](#) is seven verses long and literally says that Paul wrote the book "Concerning his Son Jesus Christ our Lord". That sentence identifies "the Son of God" by four different titles which tell us four different doctrines about Him. I was commanded to stop teaching my book about Romans, and, instead, to teach one written by a man who had a THD and a DD. His comments about the first sentence spent twice as much time talking about Paul as he spent on "the Son of God" and he never revealed the doctrines in that sentence which teach about "the Son of God". In addition, his book continued with the physical-religious perspective instead of revealing the spiritual perspective. And, I point this out because most books on Revelation also take the physical-religious perspective. That is the perspective which appeals to our sinful flesh but it is not the perspective that God wants us to receive. This Study concentrates on the spiritual perspective.

The next general concept, which we need to deal with, is that this is a book of prophecy. As such, it uses a lot of symbolic language and there is a lot of different opinions about the meanings of symbolic language. This is partially due to the fact that there are a couple of rules for properly interpreting symbols which many people do not know.

The first such rule is that symbols can not be used to correct what is literally written in "the word of God". For example, there is a famous message called 'Seven sayings from the Cross'. I have had more than fifty people count the sayings from the cross, found within the Gospels, and every one of them have counted more than seven. However, [John 19:30](#) reports that "Jesus" said: "it is finished". And, the author of that famous message claimed that seven is the symbolic number which represents '*completion / finished*'. Therefore, he took two different sayings, said to two different people, and insisted that they were one saying in order to get the total sayings to number seven. And, there are other examples of other '*prophecy preachers*' doing the same thing. Thus, their own erroneous rules of interpreting symbols leads to doctrinal error.

Think about this. Symbols are all used to convey spiritual meanings using the physical properties of the object used as a symbol. Therefore, the claimed meaning of the symbol must be different from the true physical object used as a symbol. When water or Gold or silver or anything else is used as a symbol, the symbolic meaning is different from the true physical object. Therefore, there are at least two meanings; the physical meaning and the spiritual symbolic meaning. Therefore, the claim that a symbol always has a single meaning is wrong. Sometimes, the particular object is not used as a symbol but is speaking about the physical meaning.

Another rule is that symbols must be interpreted based upon the circumstances where it is used as a symbol. For example, sometimes when we see the word "water", in "the word of God", it is speaking about the physical '*basic liquid of life*'. However, there are times when the word "water" is symbolically used for '*spiritual cleansing*'. And, there are preachers and other people who have been convinced that '*spiritual cleansing*' is always the symbolic meaning. However, the context of [John 3](#) makes it clear that, in that context, the word "water" is used, symbolically, for physical birth because '*a woman's water must break before she gives physical birth*'. Therefore, the true symbolic meaning must be derived from the context if we are to be correct in interpreting the true spiritual meaning of a symbol.

Next, the attributed of the physical object must match the claimed spiritual meaning of the symbol. For example, the most basic definition of the word "pure" is: '*100%*'. Therefore, the true meaning of the phrase "the pure word of God" is: '*100% what God wrote in His word with no additions, no subtractions and no so-called interpretations of what is literally written*'.

Next, we need to remember: "God does not change" ([Malachi 3:6](#); [Hebrews 13:8](#)). Therefore, when God spoke a word in one place, He gave it a meaning. In addition, it is not possible that He gave that same word a different meaning in another place. He also could not use another word for the same basic definition. Two words can have the same application, within a given context, but they can not have the same meaning. And, people who do not separate the definition of a word from the application of it are not "rightly dividing the word of truth" ([2Timothy 2:15](#)).

Next, we need to consider when another place in "the word of God" defines a symbol. This is especially true when

the context leaves some question about the symbolic meaning. For example, the "sharp twoedged sword" ([1:16](#)) that came "out of his mouth" is "the word of God" according to [Hebrews 4:12](#). Some people might argue with that interpretation because the immediate context does not provide a clear interpretation. However, we need to remember that there are no conflicts within "the word of God" because God wrote it and God does not create conflicts. Therefore, when there is a question about the true interpretation of a symbol, we need to search the rest of scripture for a true interpretation.

When we read the word of God we need to be one who "hears what the Spirit saith unto the churches" ([2:7](#), [2:11](#), [2:17](#), [2:29](#); [3:6](#), [3:13](#), [3:22](#)). Many people fall into doctrinal error by taking what is meant to be understood spiritually (within the Bible) and try to apply it to the physical religion and they take what is meant to be instructions in the physical world and try to *spiritualize* it. The Spirit of God uses the word of God to teach the child of God what is the will of God for their personal life and relationship with God. We need to "hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches" every time that we read our Bible. That means that we need to start all study with prayer for Divine guidance in our study.

With that in mind, we can consider phrases. Phrases consist of words which are in a fixed relationship to each other. Therefore, since the true Biblical definition of words is fixed, and the relationship between the words is fixed within a phrase, a given phrase can not have more than one definition. Unfortunately, too many people have been taught otherwise.

Now, with those basic general concepts in mind, we can look at several things which appear several times within this book and consider their meanings.

The true meaning, of anything found in "the word of God", is derived from looking at how these things are used within the content where they are found. Looking at that gives us the many applications. What is the same, within all applications, is the true meaning. That is, the single definition of a word or the true single Biblical doctrine. It is especially important to consider this for symbolic meanings. Remember, Satan has his [false prophets](#) deliberately telling lies about the prophecies found in this book. And, in particular, this book identifies certain significant characters and reveals what they are like. The "false prophets" deliberately try to confuse people about these characters. Where God makes a major distinction between those who serve God and those who serve Satan, the "false prophets" try to convince people that there are no differences. They also try to tell people that the judgment of those characters who serve Satan, and of other people who serve Satan, will be the judgment that this book reserves for people who serve God. They also claim that the opposite is true and that God's truly saved will receive the judgment of those people who refuse to accept "Jesus Christ" as their own personal "Lord". Therefore, it is important for the reader to know who these characters are, and whom they truly serve, in order to separate the true prophesied judgments from the confusion and lies which come from "false prophets".

The phrase "false prophets" does not occur in the Old Testament. However, we do read about these people in: [Jeremiah 14:14](#); [Lamentations 2:14](#); [Matthew 7:15](#); [Matthew 24:11](#), [Matthew 24:24](#); [Mark 13:22](#); [Luke 6:26](#); [Acts 13:6](#); [1John 4:1](#); [Revelation 16:13](#); [19:20](#); [20:10](#). In addition, Peter mentions "Balaam the son of Bosor" as one of these "false prophets". Yes, he was a "prophet", but he did not remain "true" to God and he led God's people into error. Thus, a "prophet" can speak God's "truth" and still be a "false prophet".

The phrase "false prophets" occur in [Matthew 7:15](#); [Matthew 24:11](#), [Matthew 24:24](#); [Mark 13:22](#); [Luke 6:26](#); [Acts 13:6](#); [2Peter 2:1](#); [1John 4:1](#); [Revelation 16:13](#); [19:20](#); [20:10](#).

Significant Characters other than God

1. **God the Father** is the true author of this book of prophecy.

2. Our **"Lord Jesus Christ"** is Who passed on the prophecy from God the Father and is Who truly does, or orders, most of the actions found in this book.
3. **John and the seven churches** were used to pass this prophecy to us. However, after the third chapter, they are no longer involved in an important role.
4. **Hundred and forty four thousand witnesses:** [Revelation 7](#) identifies them. And, [Revelation 14:1-5](#) tells their everlasting reward and their character traits which earned them the reward. Certain false religions, and "false prophets", claim that their rewards can be '*claimed*' by people who submit to the doctrines of the false religions, and "false prophets". Our book makes it clear that those rewards are only given, by God, the His "homered and forty four thousands" "witnesses".
5. **Two prophets:** There is much speculation as to who, in particular, they will be. God does not tell us and God warns us against adding to His word by doing things, like naming these prophets, when God does not reveal that fact. God only wants us to know what they do and the reaction of the lost people, and devils, to them. Truly saved people, who truly serve God, can expect similar reactions to the truth by lost people whom they deal with.
6. [C5-S1](#) introduces the title book to the Earth. It has "seven seals" and as each is broken, a prophetic action occurs. When the seventh seal is broken we read about "seven trumpets" being sounded. And as each of them is sounded, a prophetic action occurs. When the seventh trumpet is sounded we read about "seven bowls of God's wrath" being "poured upon the Earth".
7. **Seven seals:** As each seal is broken, we see a different judgment brought upon men who have rejected our "Lord Jesus Christ" as their personal "Lord" and "King". Please see the Detailed Notes for [Chapter 6](#) to learn more about these seals and related judgments.
 - a. Breaking the **first seal** ([6:1-2](#)) lets loose Satan's false conqueror. It sends out a being on "a white horse" to deceive and test people. ([6:3-4](#)). People who are deceived believe Satan's lie and accept his false christ with his promise of peace on Earth. Those who believed his lies will be sent to Hell and, afterwards, to the "lake of fire". He also causes some people to accept the purifying [gospel](#). These are the people will be saved by during the time of the "Great Tribulation". We see that (most of) those who accept this [gospel](#) are judged and killed by the world.
 - b. Breaking the **second seal** sent out a being on "a red horse" ([6:3-4](#)) and he brought war. God revealed Satan's lie. The false christ starts the world blaming the Jews for the war and heads towards killing all Jews. This "seal" brings judgment upon the Jews, as a nation, because they, as a nation, rejected "Jesus" as their "Christ" and "King".
 - c. Breaking the **third seal** sent out a being on "a black horse" ([6:5-6](#)) and he brings famine. This is a result of war but the false christ claims that the Jews are controlling the distribution of goods and blames them. God is punishing all men for rejecting "Jesus" as "Christ" and "King".
 - d. Breaking the **fourth seal** sent out a being on "a pale horse" ([6:9-11](#)) and all of the devils were let free from Hell. This "seal" shows men the end result of their choosing to follow doctrines from devils.
 - e. Breaking the **fifth seal** revealed "under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God". They were rewarded because they did not reject God as their "Lord", as was done by everyone who suffered under the opening of the prior seals.
 - f. Breaking the **sixth seal** brought destruction of the natural order ([6:12-14](#)).
 - g. Before the breaking the seal seventh "seal", God had an angel "seal" His "hundred and forty four thousand" virgin male Jewish witnesses.
 - h. Breaking the **seventh seal** put "silence in Heaven about the space of half an hour" and then the judgments of the "seven trumpets" start ([Revelation 8](#)).
8. The three "woe!" are written up in the note for [Revelation 8:13](#) and start with the "fifth trumpet" judgment and continue through the return of "Christ" to rule this world.
9. "seven trumpet" judgments. These are all judgments for supporting Satan and his "beast":
 - a. **First "trumpet"**: This brings judgment upon comfort.
 - b. **Second "trumpet"**: This brings judgment upon commerce.
 - c. **Third "trumpet"**: This brings judgment of carthnagens (poisons).
 - d. **Fourth "trumpet"**: This brings judgment on confidence.
 - e. **Fifth "trumpet"**: This brings the compassionless judgment.
 - f. **Sixth "trumpet"**: This brings judgment of devil Conquerors.
 - g. **Seventh "trumpet"**: This brings the final judgment by "Christ".

10. The **”seven thunders”** happened as part of the **”sixth trumpet”** judgment but John was told to not write about them. This proves that this Bible book is not about revealing future events, as some claim, or John would not have been prevented from writing about them. No, As written earlier, this Bible book is about revealing that **”Jesus Christ”** is **”Lord of lords and King of kings”**.
11. The **”seven vials of the wrath of God”** judgments: [Revelation 15:7-16:17](#)
- First ”vial”**: ”there fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast”.
 - Second ”vial”**: ”poured on the sea and it became as the blood of a dead man: and every living soul died in the sea”.
 - Third ”vial”**: ”poured on the rivers and fountains of waters; and they became blood”.
 - Fourth ”vial”**: ”poured on the sun; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire”.
 - Fifth ”vial”**: ”poured on the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues for pain”.
 - Sixth ”vial”**: ”poured on the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared”.
 - Seventh ”vial”**: ”poured into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, It is done and there was so mighty an earthquake that mountains fell and islands disappeared”.
12. The white horse represents **”The purity, power and authority of ”Christ”**.
- The **false white horse** is in [Revelation 6:2](#). He promises peace to the people on Earth but really leads them to death.
 - The **true white horse** is in [Revelation 19:11](#). This is our **”Lord Jesus Christ”** ([Revelation 19:14](#)) returning to judge and purify the Earth. He is followed by **”the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses”**. They are there to witness His conquest. They do not make war, as explained in the detail note.
13. woman:
- Woman which represents the mother of the Jewish people and true worship of God: [Revelation 12:1-6](#).
 - woman which represents the false world religion: is in [Revelation 17](#).
14. Red dragon symbolically represents Satan: [Revelation 12:2](#). He is one of Satan's **”beasts”** and he controls governments of the world.
15. Beasts:
- ”the beast out of the sea”**: See below about Satan's false **”Holy Spirit”**.
 - ”the beast out of the earth”**: See below about Satan's false prophet.
 - Four beasts in Heaven who worship God**: The **”four beasts”** of Revelation are described in [Revelation 4:6-8](#). Please see the notes for those sentences about their descriptions and the symbolism involved in those descriptions. We find the **”four beasts”** of Revelation mentioned in: [4:6](#); [4:8](#); [5:6](#); [5:8](#); [5:14](#); [6:1](#); [6:6](#); [7:11-12](#); [14:2-3](#); [15:7](#) and [19:4](#). In particular, the note for [4:6](#) explains that *’Some commentators believe they represent attributes or aspects of God and are not separate creatures themselves, other commentators believe these 4 beasts are angelic beings, possibly cherubim or seraphim or some similar angelic order that are in intimate service to the Almighty. In other words, we are not given enough information about them to say exactly what they are. However, all through this book that are presented with the twenty-four ”elders”. and are acting at the same level of authority as the twenty-four ”elders”*’. The **”four beasts”** tell John to **”come and look”** as each of the **”seals”**, on the title deed to the Earth, are broken. Each of the first four **”seals”** allows a **”horse and man”** to go forth and each of them represent Satan's false attempt to imitate God. Each **”horse and man”** is related to the symbolism of the **”four beasts”** which speak to John as their particular **”seals”** is broken.
 - The **”first beast”** **”was like a lion”** and this **”beast”**, symbolically represents the **”Son of God”** in His role as the **”Lion of Judah”**, Who conquerors. And the **”first seal”** lets loose Satan's false conqueror.
 - The **”second beast”** **was ”like a calf”**. He represented **”Jesus”** being offered as a **”sacrifice”** for our sins. [Isaiah 55:7-8](#) tell us that **”Jesus”** never objected to being sacrificed. However, this horse and man bring war. Thus, we are shown that the way of God and the way of Satan are opposites. In addition, this **”seal”** brings

- judgment upon the Jews, as a nation, because they, as a nation, rejected "Jesus" as their "Christ" and "King".
- iii. The **"third beast" "had a face as a man"**. Opening this "seal" brings judgment upon all men who rejected "Jesus" as their "Christ" and "King". This "seal" brought famine and death all across the Earth as prices rose above the ability of many to buy enough to eat.
 - iv. The **"fourth beast" "was like a flying eagle"**. The "eagle" is presented as a great predator, hunter and eater of other animals within "the word of God". As "a flying eagle", it is hunting. Revelation says that, as a result of this "seal", "power was given unto them over the fourth part of the earth, to kill with sword, and with hunger, and with death, and with the beasts of the earth". Here we see the strong devouring the weak.
- d. **False "Holy Spirit"**: [Revelation 17:9](#) and [Revelation 13:1-9](#). Please see the note for [Revelation 11:7](#) about Satan's false trinity. He is the "beast" who is Satan's false replacement for God's "Holy Spirit" and he controls the governments of the world.
 - e. **False prophet**: [Revelation 17:11](#). This is the "son of perdition". Please also see [Revelation 13:11-18](#). Please see the note for [Revelation 11:7](#) about Satan's false trinity.
16. Please see the note for [Matthew 10:30](#) about the word "number". The functional definition for this word is: **'Used to count things. Also used symbolically in the Bible'**. The note from The Morrish Bible Dictionary is extensive and includes *'Numbers are used as Symbols'*. Be very careful about the use of This information. Much doctrinal error and division has been caused in God's church by preachers claiming that the symbolical meaning of numbers provided the single interpretation of "the word of God" and that the symbolic meaning actually corrected "the word of God". **All** symbolic meanings provide the many applications, must be understood within the context where they are found, and can vary from one application to another. Be careful to not use these symbols beyond their God-given purpose.

General Theme:

Having looked at general principals of the symbolic language used, we can now consider general themes of the message of this book.

It has been rightly said that this book tells how God will deal with everyone who has refused to accept "Jesus Christ" as their personal "Lord" God deals with devils one way, with Jews another way and with lost Gentiles a third way. However, while God is warning of judgment upon those three groups of beings, He also writes about a different, and encouraging, judgment of the truly saved. The truly saved are promised everlasting blessing. But, they will not receive those blessings until our "Lord Jesus Christ" comes or until we meet Him in death. Until that time, we are ordered to be faithful in our service to Him.

So, our book gives different messages to different groups of people and the particular message that a particular group received is dependent upon own personal relationship with our "Lord Jesus Christ". And, our book warns us about [false prophets](#) and their lies. (this book warns liars in [Revelation 3:9](#); [Revelation 11:8](#); [Revelation 21:8](#); [Revelation 21:27](#); [Revelation 22:15](#)). . . .

With those general truths in mind, we can now look at a few more general truths which are specifically written in this book.

1. [Revelation 1:1-2](#) says: the entire book of Revelation is prophecy. However, [Revelation 10:4](#) says: "And when the seven thunders had uttered their voices, I was about to write: and I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered, and write them not". Thus, there are future events which were not revealed in this book even though John saw them. In spite of what many people

- claim, this book is not about many revelations but is about a single revelation that "Jesus Christ" is "Lord" of all. If a future event did not reveal His "Lordship", then John was told to not write it down. Therefore, all future events which are revealed in this book are revealed for the purpose of letting men know that our "Lord Jesus Christ" is "Lord" of all.
2. It should be obvious that there are far more detail prophecies than what are listed below. This Study only provides a summary of the prophecies found within each chapter. The reader can use the links provided to go to the Detailed Studies for each chapter if they desire to know the details of a particular chapter.
 3. [Revelation 1:4](#) says: "John to the seven churches which are in Asia". The character attributes of the receiving churches is given in [Revelation 2](#) and [Revelation 3](#). In those descriptions are several symbols and types which produce arguments about the true interpretation of them. That is only one place where the reader needs to pay attention to the rules given above for interpreting symbols.
 4. [Revelation 1:7](#) says: "Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him". This is not the Rapture because, at that time, "every eye shall see" only dead bodies dropping to the ground as the souls and spirits of the truly saved abandon these corrupt bodies. No, this prophecy is about the 'Second Coming'. While most of the things reported in this book are in a time sequence, not all are. Thus, we have a summary statement then John returns to earlier events in time to provide more details.
 5. [Revelation 1:8](#) tells us that our "Lord Jesus Christ" shall return and that He will return as "the Almighty".
 6. [Revelation 2:5](#) says: "Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent". In this sentence, the word "candlestick" is applied to the church. However, it can also be applied to ministries, churches and individuals. Our "Lord Jesus Christ" did not have John write this only to that church but also had it preserved unto today to provide a warning to all churches which acted in a similar manner. The church of Ephesus "left their first love" because they mixed doctrinal error with truth. England was given an empire which spanned the world, when they took the Gospel to the world, but then lost it because they also "left their first love" because they mixed doctrinal error with truth. Today, America is the mightiest nation on Earth because they took the Gospel to the world. However, they also have "left their first love" because they mixed doctrinal error with truth. Thus, we should not be surprised when God brings judgment upon America. In addition, we have seen this same judgment applied to ministries, churches and individuals through history since the start of the '*Church Age*'.
 7. [Revelation 3:10](#) says: that the purpose of the "great tribulation" is: "to try them that dwell upon the earth". Since the physical life of truly saved people, from the instant of their salvation until death, fulfills the same purpose, there is no need for them to go through the "great tribulation".
 8. [Revelation 6:10](#) says: "And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held: And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?" There is a disagreement about the interpretation of this sentence. The Treasury of Scripture Knowledge says: '*This seal seems a prediction of the terrible persecution of the church under Dioclesian and Maximian, from A.D. 270 to 304, which lasted longer, and was far more bloody, than any or all by which it was preceded, whence it was called "the era of the martyrs."*'. Some claim that it is an application for the "great tribulation". However, the next sentence makes it clear that this sentence does not apply to people who come out of the "great tribulation".
 9. [Revelation 7:15-17](#) says: "Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple: and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat. For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes." There is a disagreement about the application of this sentence. Some claim that these promises are to all saved as soon as they get to Heaven. However, the prior sentence says: "These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb". And, our quote starts with the word "Therefore". As a result, these promises are limited to the people whom John identified within the context.
 10. Several places in Revelation, starting in [Revelation 4:9](#), we read that the "four beasts", "angels", "twenty four elders" and "saints" "give glory, honor, praise, blessings" and more to God. That is what the saved are prophesied to experience when they get to Heaven.
 11. [Revelation 5](#) tells us about the "book", which is the ownership of the Earth, and only "the Lamb" was found "worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof". This is when the "Son of God" starts to take

- ownership of Earth from Satan. The results of His doing so will be as John heard: "the voice of many angels round about the throne and the beasts and the elders: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands...very creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, heard I saying, Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, be unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever. And the four beasts said, Amen. And the four and twenty elders fell down and worshipped him that liveth for ever and ever".
12. [Revelation 6](#) gives us all of the prophecies of what happens when "the Lamb" "opens the seals of the book" mentioned in the prior chapter.
 13. [Revelation 7](#) tells us about angels "sealing" "an hundred and forty and four thousand" 'virgin male Jews' to be witnesses for God during the "great tribulation". Be careful about what you believe about this chapter because there is a lot of doctrines from devils perverting the truth of this chapter. This chapter also tells us the reward given to those "hundred and forty and four thousand" and there are liars claiming that these rewards can be 'claimed' by other people including people who devote their lives to serving sin and devils.
 14. [Revelation 8](#) tells us that when "he (the Lamb) had opened the seventh seal" that the first four of "seven trumpets" were sounded by "seven angels" and the chapter also gives the prophecies related to those "trumpets".
 15. [Revelation 9](#) tells us the prophecies resulting from the next two of the "seven trumpets" being sounded by "seven angels". This is when the worst devils are literally loosed from Hell and allowed to rampage on Earth. In addition, [Revelation 9:6](#) says: "And in those days shall men seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them".
 16. [Revelation 10](#) tells us the prophecies resulting from the last of the "seven trumpets" being sounded by "seven angels". This is when the "seven thunders utter their voices". We are told that the result will be: "the mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets". We are not told the direct results of the "seven thunders". However, we are told that John was commanded to "Go and take the little book which is open in the hand of the angel which standeth upon the sea and upon the earth...and eat it up". The result of John doing that is prophecies about other things which are given in the remaining chapters of Revelation.
 17. [Revelation 11](#) tells us about God's "two witnesses", who will be prophets. There are differing opinions as to who they will be but most agree that they will be prophets whom God to Heaven alive but will be returned to Earth for this ministry and so that they, also, will experience physical death. Our chapter includes the reaction in heaven and on Earth when their ministry is completed.
 18. [Revelation 12](#) tells us about a "woman", who, symbolically, is the mother of God's people, the Jews. However, because of the symbolism, some people claim that she represents someone else. In addition, our chapter tells us about a "dragon", who is symbolic for Satan. Our chapter tells us that he is thrown out of Heaven and fights against God's angels and loses, and he tries to kill the women and all of her children, who are the Jews.
 19. [Revelation 13](#) tells us about the "beast" which had "seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns". He "blasphemy against God", "made war with the saints, and overcame them" and received worship from people "whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world". Our chapter also tells us about a second "beast" and how he gave life to an image which he made everyone worship. This is where we read: "Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six".
 20. [Revelation 14](#) tells us the Gospel preached by the angels after the "hundred forty and four thousand" died and went to Heaven. Their message included death and eternal torment to all who worshipped the "beast and his image" or who received his mark in their forehead or hand.
 21. [Revelation 15](#) tells us about people worshipping God in the temple of Heaven after they died during the "great tribulation" because they had "gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name". And, while they worshipped, "seven angels having the seven last plagues; for in them is filled up the wrath of God" came out of the temple to spread the plagues while people in Heaven worshipped God.
 22. [Revelation 16](#) tells us about "the seven angels...pouring out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth". Here we read that God sends the message of: "It is done". Everything was prepared for the great battle at "Armageddon".
 23. [Revelation 17](#) tells us about "the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters". Many claim that it is the Roman Catholic Church. It is actually the One World Religion, which the Roman Catholic Church is part of. It rides "the beast...which hath the seven heads and ten horns". That "beast" is the devil

- controlled government. Here we see the uniting of government and religion. Our chapter also tells us: "These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful". One devil motivated lie is that all saved will return with "Christ" to rule and reign with Him. Our sentence tells us that only those saved people whom God judges to have all three attributed of; "called, and chosen, and faithful" will be allowed to return with "Christ".
24. [Revelation 18](#) tells us about the judgment of spiritual "Babylon" and the reaction of lost and carnal men to the destruction of it. Our chapter ends by telling us why it was destroyed when it says: "in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth".
 25. [Revelation 19](#) starts with telling us about everyone in Heaven worshipping God for the victory over Satan and his armies. Then we read about "the marriage of the Lamb" and His "bride". After that, we read about "the Son of God" and what he is like as He returns to Earth and conquers. We are told that: "the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him...were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone". Then we are told that: "the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which sword proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh. ". One important thing to pay attention to is that people in Heaven worshipped God for finishing the war even before He returned and did it. This is true Biblical "faith". We must worship God for accomplishing whatever he will do even before He starts to act.
 26. [Revelation 20](#) tells us about the judgment of Satan. He was "bound a thousand years...in the bottomless pit". After that time, he was "loosed out of his prison, And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom is as the sand of the sea". These are the descendants of those people who were allowed to go into the 1,000 year reign of "Christ" in their corrupt human bodies. The end result of this addition rebellion by Satan will be: "the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever". After that, we have the "great white throne" judgment when all lost people will be "cast into the lake of fire". "This is the second death". But, before that, each will be "judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works". That judgment is to determine their level of torment in "the lake of fire". Our chapter ends with: "And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire".
 27. [Revelation 21](#) tells us about the "new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea". It also tells us that "God shall wipe away all tears from their (the saved) eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away". Be careful because there are several very popular lies which perverts this truth. God can not "wipe away all tears from their eyes" if the saved in Heaven do not have tears. The most popular lie claims: '*no tears in heaven and that all who profess to be saved will be in eternal bliss as soon as they die*'. Our chapter makes it clear that that is a promise for the "new heaven and a new earth", which does not happen until after the saved, of the '*Church Age*', have been in Heaven for at least 1,007 years. Our chapter also identifies all who will be cast "into the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone". Then it describes the new "holy Jerusalem".
 28. [Revelation 22](#) tells us about living in the new "holy Jerusalem". It also tells us that our "Lord Jesus Christ" says: "Behold, I come quickly: blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book...and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be". After that, we have an invitation and a final warning of: "For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book". Our book ends with: "Even so, come, Lord Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen". As written earlier in this book Study, it is a single "revelation" (not many) and it reveals that our "Lord Jesus Christ" is "Lord of lords and King of kings".
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Chapter Summaries:

Below is a summary of each chapter within this book which is based upon the summary of each sentence within the chapter. The Detailed Study can be accessed using the links provided below. They give the true definitions of words used within the sentences, the sentence organization based upon the true usage of punctuation, the contextual considerations of each sentence, and links to where doctrines found within these sentences are also provided in other places within "the word of God". Thus, the reader is provided with evidences to prove the doctrines presented in this Study and those evidences far out-weigh any evidence provided by any other author. I do not tell people to believe me, like almost all preachers and religious people do. I provide them evidences from "the word of God" and tell them to believe God. I also challenge everyone to prove that what I write goes against what is literally written in "the word of God". And, in this Study, I also warn people about false teachings such as I have already done.

The summary, and message, of the entire book must be based upon the summary and message of each chapter. And, those chapter summaries must be based upon the true summary and details of each sentence within the chapter. This is how we arrive at what God truly wrote to us and avoid religious opinions which are based upon doctrinal error.

Chapter 1 Summary: Introduction of this book.

This chapter opens this book of prophecy and gives us the purpose of it, identifies the main characters involved and tells us why God sent it to us. It is designed to give comfort to saved people who are truly serving God but it also causes fear, and warns, the carnal and lost.

It starts out by telling us that everything in this book came from God the Father through our "Lord Jesus Christ". That is why this book promises a curse upon anyone who perverts the message of it as well as a blessing on everyone who believes the true message of this book. After that introduction, we have a couple of promises with requirements for receiving them. And, we see the proper response to receiving a promise from God, which is true "worship".

In addition to identifying God as the true author of this book, we are told that He used John to write this book and we are told that it was to be sent to Godly churches. Later, in this first chapter, we are told why God used John and we can use his testimony to separate true messengers from God from deceived people and liars from Satan.

Moving on, we are told things about our "Lord Jesus Christ" which should give comfort to the truly saved. Along with His character attributes, we are told about His personal involvement with Godly pastors and churches. Thus, as mentioned, the primary message of this book is revealing the character of our "Lord Jesus Christ" and what the truly can have hope in, because of His character, and what the ungodly should fear, also because of His character.

1. [C1-S1](#): The reason why God the Father and Jesus Christ used John to write this book of prophecy. [2Peter 1:21](#) tells us: "For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost". John had the required testimony. Lots of people claim to speak for God but they don't have the required testimony. That is one of the first things which we are told to look for when someone claims to speak for God. There are a lot of liars who are very appealing to our sinful flesh and who will deceive us if we do not apply this test. And, this requirement is especially important when we look at the interpretation of prophecy.
2. [C1-S2](#): The first promise of this book. Please see the Section on [Promises](#) in the [Significant New Testament Events](#) Study for links to other promises in the New Testament.
3. [C1-S3](#): The second blessing offered.
4. [C1-S4](#): Worship is due to our "Lord Jesus Christ" because of what He did for us.

5. [C1-S5](#): The prior truth is doubled, making it part of God's law and something that will never change.
6. [C1-S6](#): Prophecy of the '*Second Coming*'. Please see the Section on [Prophecy](#) in to [Significant New Testament Events](#) Study for links to other promises in the New Testament.
7. [C1-S7](#): Another "Amen" which, again, doubles the prior prophecy and makes it part of God's law and something that will never change.
8. [C1-S8](#): Our "Lord Jesus Christ" gives us six titles which identify His power and authority.
9. [C1-S9](#): John testifies about his circumstances when he received this "revelation".
10. [C1-S10](#): The command, which was given to John, which resulted in this book of prophecy.
11. [C1-S11](#): John was "in the Spirit on the Lord's day" when he was taken to Heaven and given this prophecy and a command to share it with true churches. This sentence tells us John's reaction when he got there and heard a voice behind him.
12. [C1-S12](#): John uses symbolic language to describe what he saw after he turned around. Symbols were used to convey spiritual truths in a way which can be understood by physical senses. In this sentence, we are told that "the Son of man" (our "Lord Jesus Christ") is "in the midst of" Godly churches.
13. [C1-S13](#): This sentence gives us a description of "the Son of man" (our "Lord Jesus Christ") using symbolic language because it is conveying spiritual perceptions and spiritual truths.
14. [C1-S14](#): Our "Lord Jesus Christ" controls and protects the pastors of Godly churches.
15. [C1-S15](#): The correct (fearful and worshipful) reaction of John to seeing our "Lord Jesus Christ" in His glory.
16. [C1-S16](#): The first personal message from our "Lord Jesus Christ" is one of comfort. It also uses symbolic language to describe what He has done for us and what He will do for us, which are designed to give us comfort.
17. [C1-S17](#): The commandment to John to write this book of prophecy and send it to true churches.
18. [C1-S18](#): The true interpretation of symbols revealed earlier in this chapter.

Chapter 2 Summary: The first four messages to the "seven churches".

In this chapter, and the next chapter, we are told the message given to each of these churches which are identified in these chapters. And, while there is a lot of truth which is applicable to us, there are also many lies based upon these chapters. In addition, those lies include false doctrines accepted by many '*Good, Godly, Bible believing, KJV only, fundamental Baptists*'. For example, there is a popular doctrine which is based upon '*Church Ages*' which has some truth and some doctrinal error. People take the word "dispensation" and apply it to years of time and then apply that to these "seven churches" to come up with great "dispensations" in '*Church Ages*'. Now, the word "dispensation" only occurs four times and only once is it related to the word "time". True Biblical doctrines require something to be written twice, literally, in order to form a true Biblical doctrine. Therefore, this doctrine about great "dispensations" in '*Church Ages*' is a religious doctrine and not a true Biblical doctrine. In addition, it actually interferes with people understanding the true spiritual symbolic applications of the messages to these "seven churches".

These "seven churches" actually represent local church characters at different times in the church life. At one time the local church might have a character like one of these "seven churches", and at another time they might have a character like another of these "seven churches". Our "Lord Jesus Christ" wants us to be aware of the character of our local church and when it matches the character of one of these "seven churches", He wants us to pay attention to what He wrote to that church and apply it to our own local church.

Unfortunately, very few local churches do that and the religious doctrine about great "dispensations" in '*Church Ages*' can actually interfere with the true Biblical applications of the messages to these "seven churches".

For example, I've met many people who claim '*We're in the Laodicean Age and people are "lukewarm". therefore, it's not our fault that we can't get anyone to come to church and respond to the preaching. We're just waiting to be*

'Raptured' out and get our reward for being saved'. I try to tell them 'Just because you get a lukewarm response to your feeble efforts doesn't mean that it is the Laodicean Age for the entire world. The fact is that there are many places in the world where the response is totally different. The fact is that when John wrote Revelation all of those churches existed at the same time. Therefore, the application of those verses to great periods of time is only one application and not even the true interpretation.' However, many people reject this simple truth because their mind is so locked into that symbolic application that they refuse to consider anything else.

So, when you read the notes on the messages to those churches, do not let this religious doctrine keep you from understanding what is actually written in "the word of God" and how it might be applicable to a local church even though the current year is not considered to be in the great "dispensations" which is considered current within the 'Church Ages'.

1. [C2-S1](#): What John was commanded to write to the "church of Ephesus".
2. [C2-S2](#): What our "Lord Jesus Christ" has against the "church of Ephesus".
3. [C2-S3](#): Repent or suffer the consequence.
4. [C2-S4](#): Another good thing they did.
5. [C2-S5](#): The promised blessings for hearing and obeying spiritual truth.
6. [C2-S6](#): What was written to Smyrna.
7. [C2-S7](#): The commandment for how to deal with their circumstances.
8. [C2-S8](#): The promise given to those people who personally obey the prior commandments.
9. [C2-S9](#): The message to Pergamos.
10. [C2-S10](#): What our "Lord Jesus Christ" has against Pergamos.
11. [C2-S11](#): A second hated doctrine.
12. [C2-S12](#): Obey or suffer the consequences.
13. [C2-S13](#): Conclusion of the message to this church.
14. [C2-S14](#): The message to Thyatira.
15. [C2-S15](#): Why their good works were not enough.
16. [C2-S16](#): The response, added by "the Son of God", to this report.
17. [C2-S17](#): What the "Son of God" will do about this sin.
18. [C2-S18](#): Judgment on the sin of "adultery".
19. [C2-S19](#): The exception to the judgment in prior sentence.
20. [C2-S20](#): What we are to do.
21. [C2-S21](#): A promise to return for the 1,000 years reign of "Christ".
22. [C2-S22](#): Another promise.
23. [C2-S23](#): The commandment to hear spiritually.

Chapter 3 Summary: The last three messages to the "seven churches".

1. [C3-S1](#): The message to Sardis.
2. [C3-S2](#): What this church is commanded to do.
3. [C3-S3](#): What this church is commanded to do.
4. [C3-S4](#): The warning.
5. [C3-S5](#): There are some church members still doing right.
6. [C3-S6](#): The promise to those saved people who fulfill the requirement for the promise.
7. [C3-S7](#): The command to listen spiritually.
8. [C3-S8](#): The message to "the church in Philadelphia".
9. [C3-S9](#): What is promised for the future.
10. [C3-S10](#): A promise to leave this Earth before the '*Rapture*' or to participate in the '*Rapture*'.
11. [C3-S11](#): The warning related to saved people in these circumstances.
12. [C3-S12](#): Promises to the "overcomer".

13. [C3-S13](#): The command to listen spiritually.
14. [C3-S14](#): The message to "the church of the Laodiceans".
15. [C3-S15](#): The conclusion of the message from the prior sentence.
16. [C3-S16](#): The message to this church.
17. [C3-S17](#): The explanation of treatment from God.
18. [C3-S18](#): The promised result of a changed life.
19. [C3-S19](#): Another promise.
20. [C3-S20](#): The command to listen spiritually.

This chapter finishes what was started in the prior chapter. Our "Lord Jesus Christ" gave a personal message to each of "seven churches in Asia". The prior chapter told us the message to the first four churches and this chapter tells us the message to the remaining three.

As explained in the note for the prior chapter, there is a popular doctrine which is based upon '*Church Ages*' which has some truth and some doctrinal error. People take the word "dispensation" and apply it to years of time and then apply that to these "seven churches" to come up with great "dispensations" in '*Church Ages*'. The main problem is that saved people, and churches, exist in circumstances which match the circumstances of each of these churches. However, that doctrine teaches people that: '*You must pay attention to what is written to "the church of the Laodiceans" and ignore what is written to all of the other churches because the entire world is in the Laodicean Church Age*'. That is a lie. Throughout all time since John wrote this book, there have been people and churches which were in circumstances which match the circumstances of each of these churches. Those people, and churches, need the messages written to the other churches. However, preachers believing this doctrine tell them to ignore the message that our "Lord Jesus Christ" sent to that. And, I hope that people reading this Study avoid that error.

Chapter 4 Summary: John, and all saved, are called up to Heaven.

1. [C4-S1](#): What John saw then.
2. [C4-S2](#): John obeyed the command.
3. [C4-S3](#): The symbolic description of what John saw.
4. [C4-S4](#): The description of others around God's throne.
5. [C4-S5](#): What John also saw when he looked at the throne of God.
6. [C4-S6](#): The next things which John noticed.
7. [C4-S7](#): The physical appearance of the "four beasts".
8. [C4-S8](#): The worship of the "four beasts".
9. [C4-S9](#): The worship of the "four and twenty elders".

Chapter 5 Summary: Only God's "Lamb" can open the title book to the Earth.

1. [C5-S1](#): John saw the book in the hand of God.
2. [C5-S2](#): The proclamation.
3. [C5-S3](#): No one else was found worthy.
4. [C5-S4](#): The reaction by John to the action of the prior sentence.
5. [C5-S5](#): John was told to stop his worry.
6. [C5-S6](#): What John saw after the "elder" explained the truth to him.

7. [C5-S7](#): The "Son of God" took the title book to the Earth from the hand of God the Father because He paid the price required to claim it.
8. [C5-S8](#): Worship given to "the Lamb" in Heaven.
9. [C5-S9](#): The main part of their worship.
10. [C5-S10](#): The worship of angels is added.
11. [C5-S11](#): "Every creature", in this physical reality, join in on the worship that is going on in Heaven.
12. [C5-S12](#): Make the worship of the past sentences part of God's law and something we will be judged for doing or not doing.
13. [C5-S13](#): Our example "elders" humble themselves and add more "worship".

Our chapter tells us that no one could take the book, with the title deed for the Earth, from God the Father except for "God the Son" in His role as "the Lamb". He was qualified, in that role, because of the sacrifice He made for all men and for all saved and for those saved people who will return with Him to rule this Earth for 1,000 years. After He took the book, the rest of the chapter tells us about, all beings in Heaven and all creatures on Earth, worshipping Him for the sacrifice He made to "redeem" us and for the gifts that he gives to men. Thus, this entire chapter is telling us about "God the Son" in His role as "the Lamb" and the worship that He receives for what He did in that role.

Chapter 6 Summary: The seals are opened.

1. [C6-S1](#): John reports what he sees as the first six "seals" are opened.
2. [C6-S2](#): What John saw as a result of the first "seal" being opened.
3. [C6-S3](#): The opening of the "second seal".
4. [C6-S4](#): What John saw as a result of the second "seal" being opened.
5. [C6-S5](#): The opening of the "third seal".
6. [C6-S6](#): What John saw as a result of the third "seal" being opened.
7. [C6-S7](#): What this judgment caused.
8. [C6-S8](#): The opening of the "fourth seal".
9. [C6-S9](#): What John saw as a result of the fourth "seal" being opened.
10. [C6-S10](#): What "Death and Hell" did.
11. [C6-S11](#): The opening of the "fifth seal" and what John saw as a result of the fifth "seal" being opened.
12. [C6-S12](#): What these "souls" were given at that time.
13. [C6-S13](#): The opening of the "sixth seal" and what John saw as a result of the sixth "seal" being opened.
14. [C6-S14](#): God gives one more undeniable evidence of His power and authority over this physical reality.
15. [C6-S15](#): The response to God's demonstration of power.

Our chapter tells us about our "Lord Jesus Christ", as "the Lamb of God", breaking the first six of the "seals" on the title deed to the Earth. As He breaks them, we see a different judgment brought upon men who have rejected our "Lord Jesus Christ" as their personal "Lord" and "King". Please see the Detailed Notes for [Chapter 6](#) to learn more about these seals and related judgments. The reader can also see a summary of them under the Section called; [Significant Characters other than God](#).

Due to our sin nature, men want to lie, cheat and deceive others. However, a Biblical truth, which most of the world rejects including saved people and preachers, is that we will be "judged according to our works" ([1Peter 1:17](#); [Revelation 20:12-13](#)). People think that this law of God should apply to everyone except themselves and, maybe, their own loved ones. But, this entire life is a test to reveal our true character. And, this being who sat on "a white horse" is being sent out to test everyone. Those who believe his lies, will be sent to Hell and, afterwards, to the "lake of fire" ([Revelation 19:20](#); [Revelation 20:10](#); [Revelation 20:14-15](#)).

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1. Breaking the first seal sent out a being on "a white horse" to deceive and test people ([6:1-2](#)). Those who believed his lies will be sent to Hell and, afterwards, to the "lake of fire".
2. Breaking the first seal sent out a being on "a white horse" ([6:3-4](#)) and he brought deception.
3. Breaking the second seal sent out a being on "a red horse" ([6:3-4](#)) and he brought war.
4. Breaking the third seal sent out a being on "a black horse" ([6:5-6](#)) and he brings famine.
5. Breaking the fourth seal sent out a being on "a pale horse" ([6:9-11](#)) and all of the devils were let free from Hell.
6. Breaking the fifth seal revealed "under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God". They were rewarded because they did not reject God as their "Lord", as was done by everyone who suffered under the opening of the prior seals.
7. Breaking the sixth seal brought destruction of the natural order ([6:12-14](#)).
8. Before the breaking the seal seventh "seal", God had an angel "seal" His "hundred and forty four thousand" virgin male Jewish witnesses.
9. Breaking the seal seventh "seal" put "silence in Heaven about the space of half an hour" and then the judgments of the "seven trumpets" ([Revelation 8](#)).

The word "the" means: 'there is only one and here he is'. True Biblical "antichrists" have convinced the world, and especially preachers, to call a Biblical "beast" 'the Antichrist'. This is so that people don't look at the true Biblical "antichrists", which are many and in the world today ([1John](#), [2John](#)). {Please also see the Study called [False things according to the Bible](#).} With everybody looking at him, and being assured that they will be 'Raptured' and never have to deal with him, God's people are ignoring the true Biblical warnings about true Biblical "antichrists". That's taking away from God's "word". Then, claiming that 'the Antichrist' is in Revelation is adding to God's "word". Both of these actions bring a curse from God and preachers and saved people wonder why God has stopped blessing His people in America who hold to these false doctrines., and ignore God's warnings and are led into lives of sin instead of serving God.

I'm really not trying to upset everyone. I'm trying to help God's people correct doctrinal error which they have been taught so that God can return to blessing them.

Chapter 7 Summary: God's special treatment of '*tribulation saints*'.

1. [C7-S1](#): God stopped the judgment long enough to do the actions of this chapter.
2. [C7-S2](#): Why the judgment was stopped for a short time.
3. [C7-S3](#): The number of those who were sealed.
4. [C7-S4 through C7-S15](#): The identity of the tribes which were sealed..
5. [C7-S16](#): The witness of all of the beings in Heaven.
6. [C7-S17](#): The angels add their worship to the worship of saved people in Heaven.
7. [C7-S18](#): In this sentence we read that John agrees with all that he has witnessed.
8. [C7-S19](#): An "elder" points out something for John to report.
9. [C7-S20](#): The "elder" adds another question to think about.
10. [C7-S21](#): John admits that he does not know the answers.
11. [C7-S22](#): The "elder" explains why these saved people are special.
12. [C7-S23](#): The results of their sacrifice.
13. [C7-S24](#): These '*tribulation saints*' will live in '*eternal bliss*'.
14. [C7-S25](#): Why these '*tribulation saints*' will be in '*eternal bliss*' starting at this time.

The prior chapter told us about God bringing judgments which will come on men who have rejected "Jesus" as their

personal "Christ" and "King". These judgments were the result of our "Lord Jesus Christ", in His role as God's "Lamb", opening the first six "seals" on the title deed to the Earth. Our next chapter continues telling us about judgments brought by opening the seventh "seal" and other resulting activities by God. But, in this chapter, God has stopped telling us about the judgments and told us about these '*tribulation saints*' who were martyred during the "great tribulation" because they were faithful to God and to "the word of God". As a result, God gives them special promises which are not given to anyone else. In addition to what we read in this chapter, [Revelation 14:1-5](#) tells more about their everlasting reward and their character traits which earned them the reward.

Chapter 8 Summary: The start of the seven trumpet judgments.

1. [C8-S1](#): The immediate reaction to the last "seal" being broken.
2. [C8-S2](#): Seven angels were given seven trumpets.
3. [C8-S3](#): Another angel comes to do another job.
4. [C8-S4](#): The incense and prayers reached the nose of God.
5. [C8-S5](#): The angel sent judgment upon the Earth.
6. [C8-S6](#): Now, God will continue His own judgments.
7. [C8-S7](#): The first judgment for supporting Satan and his "beast". This brings judgment upon comfort.
8. [C8-S8](#): The second judgment for supporting Satan and his "beast". This brings judgment upon commerce.
9. [C8-S9](#): The third judgment for supporting Satan and his "beast". This brings judgment of carthnagens (poisons).
10. [C8-S10](#): The fourth judgment for supporting Satan and his "beast". This brings judgment on confidence.
11. [C8-S11](#): The warning of worse judgments to come.

Our chapter starts the immediate reaction to the last "seal" being broken, which is silence in Heaven for a half hour. This is very unusual and required John to report it. Then, there was a ceremony where seven angels are given seven trumpets to sound and announce coming judgment. But, before that, we see an angel-priest offer incense with "the prayers of the saints" to God for approval, before throwing the censor into the Earth and starting the "seven trumpet" judgments. The first four of these judgments are reported in this chapter and the last three are reported in the next chapter.

For the note below, I must remind the reader, again, that the being, whom people call '*the Antichrist - there is only one and here he is*', is a doctrinal lie from true "antichrists". [1John](#), [2John](#) warn us that there are many and that they are in the world today. But they have convinced people to only look at this "beast", whom they will never meet. As a result, God's people ignore God's warning about these people. The true Biblical identity of that being is: "beast".

Chapter 9 Summary: Two of the last three "trumpet judgments".

1. [C9-S1](#): The fifth "trumpet" sounds and our sentence tells us about an angel is seen descending to Earth. We are not told this, directly, but it is consistent with other judgments. This is the fifth judgment for supporting Satan and his "beast".
2. [C9-S2](#): The results of the angel opening the "bottomless pit".
3. [C9-S3](#): What came out next.

4. [C9-S4](#): The command given to them.
5. [C9-S5](#): The job these devil scorpions were to do.
6. [C9-S6](#): The reaction of men who are struck by these devil scorpions.
7. [C9-S7](#): The shape of the devil locusts.
8. [C9-S8](#): Their hair length proves that they are devils.
9. [C9-S9](#): Further description of these devil scorpions.
10. [C9-S10](#): Additional description of these devil scorpions.
11. [C9-S11](#): John's final description of these devil scorpions.
12. [C9-S12](#): The fifth "trumpet judgments" is past.
13. [C9-S13](#): The sixth judgment for supporting Satan and his "beast". The description of what these devils do goes through [Revelation 9:19](#).
14. [C9-S14](#): What they did and the time that they had to do it.
15. [C9-S15](#): The size of the army commanded by these devils.
16. [C9-S16](#): John's description of the beings in this army.
17. [C9-S17](#): This army killed "the third part of men".
18. [C9-S18](#): Further description of these devil-horses.
19. [C9-S19](#): In spite of all of the evidence, men still refused to truly "repent".

Our chapter gives us two of the last three "trumpet judgments". While the next sentence does not say that the last "trumpet" is sounded, it must be because of the way that John provides transitions from one type of judgment to another. And, our next chapter tells us that there are "seven thunders", which bring judgments, John is told to not report those judgments.

In our current chapter, we see two types of devils freed which were bound. They are more destructive than regular devils and than the devils released from Hell and reported earlier. The first led an army of devil-scorpions and the second (four) led a vast army of "horsemen" riding devil-horses. Thus, what we are seeing here is that God is showing men the end result of their desire to "worship devils". But, as the last sentence of our chapter says: "the rest of the men which were not killed by these plagues yet repented not of the works of their hands, that they should not worship devils". Men accuse God of being terrible but, as we see here, God only gives them the end result of what they themselves demand.

Chapter 10 Summary: The "seven thunders" judgments.

1. [C10-S1](#): The start of the "seven thunder" judgments.
2. [C10-S2](#): John was forbidden from writing these future events.
3. [C10-S3](#): The end of the time for "the mystery of God".
4. [C10-S4](#): John is commanded to take the "little book".
5. [C10-S5](#): John did as he was commanded by God.
6. [C10-S6](#): The angel told John what to do with the book.
7. [C10-S7](#): John obeyed the command from the angel.
8. [C10-S8](#): John is told that his job is not yet done.

These "seven thunders" judgments are part of the "sixth trumpet" and part of the second "woe". However, John is told to not write about them. Many people claim that this book is not about many revelations. But is not. [Revelation 10:4](#) says: "And when the seven thunders had uttered their voices, I was about to write: and I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered, and write them not". Thus, there are future events which were not revealed in this book even though John saw them. This Bible book is about a single revelation that "Jesus Christ" is "Lord" of all. If a future event did not reveal His "Lordship", then John was told to not write it down. Therefore, all future events which are revealed in this book are revealed for the purpose of letting men know that our "Lord Jesus Christ" is "Lord" of all.

Chapter 11 Summary: God's preparation to take over the rule of the Earth.

1. [C11-S1](#): John is told to measure three things on Earth.
2. [C11-S2](#): John measures the Earthly temple at Mid-Trib.
3. [C11-S3](#): God adds the account of His two great witnesses.
4. [C11-S4](#): The symbolic description of God's two witnesses.
5. [C11-S5](#): How God protects His witnesses until their time is up.
6. [C11-S6](#): The power of God's two special witnesses.
7. [C11-S7](#): God allows them to die and go to Heaven after they finish their ministry.
8. [C11-S8](#): The bodies of God's two witnesses are dishonored.
9. [C11-S9](#): How long the bodies are dishonored.
10. [C11-S10](#): How lost people celebrated the death of God's two witnesses.
11. [C11-S11](#): God's "Holy Spirit" proves to be more powerful than Satan and his "beasts".
12. [C11-S12](#): God gives them the same command as God gave to John and the church in [Revelation 4:1](#).
13. [C11-S13](#): The results of the command from God.
14. [C11-S14](#): God showed His wrath.
15. [C11-S15](#): Our God-given division of events..
16. [C11-S16](#): The seventh judgment for supporting Satan and his "beast".
17. [C11-S17](#): The resulting worship by "the four and twenty elders".
18. [C11-S18](#): What our "Lord Jesus Christ" will do now that He has taken His "power" and position.
19. [C11-S19](#): God reveals "the ark of his testament".

In His preparation to take over the rule of the Earth, God first has John measure the Earthly temple, except for the part given to the "Gentiles". God also has John measure the true worshipers of God, to show their difference from the religious lost, who are represented by the part of the Earthly temple given to the "Gentiles". Next, we read about God's two special witnesses, who minister mainly to the Jews. Yes, they are witnesses to the whole world and display God's power by repeating miracles from Old Testament prophets. But those miracles are to be a witness, to the people who pay attention spiritually, that God is still the most powerful Being Who exists. But, like Pharaoh of Egypt and His people, Satan's "beast", and his followers in the world, refuse to accept the spiritual message. After Satan's "beast" murders God's two special witnesses, and the religious lost dishonors their bodies for three and a half days, God's "Holy Spirit" resurrects them, while the whole world watches, and then takes them to Heaven. The lost religious world has to recognize God's power, but they are not saved just like religious lost rush to church, for a little while, after a disaster, but they still refuse to truly accept "Jesus" as their personal "Lord". That is when the "seventh angel blows his trumpet" and announces the final judgment by "Christ". As a result, we see all of Heaven praising and worshipping our "Lord Jesus Christ" for what he has done and what He will do. We also are told the reaction on Earth. And, as the final preparation, God reveals His "ark of his testament" in the "temple of God" in Heaven. It contains evidence of every way that God has revealed Himself to the world and will be used to judge all who have rejected God's "testament".

Chapter 12 Summary: The war of Satan against God using the nation of Israel.

1. [C12-S1](#): The symbolic representation of Jacob, his wives and the twelve sons which produced the twelve tribes of Israel.
2. [C12-S2](#): The symbolic representative of Satan. He is one of Satan's "beasts" and he controls governments of the world.
3. [C12-S3](#): How Satan acted in this spiritual war.
4. [C12-S4](#): The life of our "Lord Jesus Christ".
5. [C12-S5](#): God hides the Jews who will turn to Him, eventually.

6. [C12-S6](#): Satan started and lost a war in Heaven.
7. [C12-S7](#): The results from the prior sentence.
8. [C12-S8](#): The announcement that it is time to finish the spiritual war.
9. [C12-S9](#): Some saved used what God provided to "overcome" Satan and his temptations.
10. [C12-S10](#): The first conclusion of the prior sentences.
11. [C12-S11](#): The second conclusion of the prior sentences.
12. [C12-S12](#): Why the people of this world will have "woe!"
13. [C12-S13](#): Why the Jews of this world will have "woe!"
14. [C12-S14](#): This is symbolic wording for our "Lord Jesus Christ" protecting the Jews who will listen to Him.
15. [C12-S15](#): Satan tries to kill the Jews who served God and fled.
16. [C12-S16](#): God did a greater miracle to foil Satan.
17. [C12-S17](#): Satan made war against Jews who had a true testimony and that he could reach with his servants.

[Revelation 12](#) tells us of God judging Satan. Every sentence in [Revelation 12:2-11](#) starts with the word "And". [Revelation 2:12](#) starts with "Therefore" and every sentence after that starts with the word "And". Basically, [Revelation 12:1-11](#) tells us about Satan's rebellion and God's response to it with [Revelation 12:12-17](#) explaining the consequence of that rebellion and response. Within this telling of judgment, [Revelation 12:10](#) says "Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God". These were promised, and only realized on Earth by some men. Basically, the more people are influenced by Satan, the more they are judged like he is judged. Also, the more people are like the "Lamb", the more they are blessed like "Lamb". This is explained in much more detail in the note for the [Lord Jesus Christ Study](#).

After the prior paragraph happens, we are told that all of Heaven rejoices and "the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea" are told "woe!" because "the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time". At this time, Satan is no longer allowed to enter Heaven. And, the Jews are told, by God, to flee into the wilderness. As a result, Satan tries to murder all those Jews because they are God's chosen people and God is protecting them. Satan does one miracle in order to do his purpose and God does another miracle to foil Satan's plan. Therefore, Satan "persecutes" all remaining Jews that he can get to.

Chapter 13 Summary: Satan's two "beasts".

1. [C13-S1](#): John sees Satan's false "Holy Spirit".
2. [C13-S2](#): The description of Satan's false "Holy Ghost".
3. [C13-S3](#): One of the heads of this "beast" is the "beast" that men call '*the Antichrist*'.
4. [C13-S4](#): Lost people worshipped the wrong being.
5. [C13-S5](#): additional reason to not fight the devil.
6. [C13-S6](#): Someone spoke for the devil and he remained in power three and a half years.
7. [C13-S7](#): This is the '*trash talk*' produced by the "beast" who is a devil.
8. [C13-S8](#): This devil was allowed to prove his power.
9. [C13-S9](#): The lost on Earth condemn themselves by "worshipping" a being other than God.
10. [C13-S10](#): The first sentence of the message to the saved.
11. [C13-S11](#): The warning to realize that '*You reap what you sow*'.
12. [C13-S12](#): We are to have "patience and the faith" in God while we wait for Him to cause others to '*reap what they sow*'.
13. [C13-S13](#): Satan's "beast" that men mistakenly call '*the Antichrist*'..
14. [C13-S14](#): This "beast" fulfills the plan of Satan.
15. [C13-S15](#): The demonstrated power and doctrine of Satan's second "beast".
16. [C13-S16](#): The idol was made to be alive.
17. [C13-S17](#): The "mark of the beast"..
18. [C13-S18](#): "Here is wisdom".

19. [C13-S19](#): The number of the "beast".

The first several sentences tell us about Satan's first "beast". The last several sentences tell us about Satan's second "beast". Three sentence between those two sections contain a message to the saved which must be spiritually discerned.

Many people confuse Satan's two "beasts" and they confuse the attributes of the two. Satan's first "beast" is a devil who possesses "seven heads of government". Part of the confusion comes from people believing that he is a single man. The detailed notes for this chapter explain this confusion.

Chapter 14 Summary: God separates the judgment of the lost from the judgment of the saved.

1. [C14-S1](#): John saw God's "Lamb" with His "great tribulation" witnesses.
2. [C14-S2](#): John heard the "hundred and forty four thousand" sing a unique song.
3. [C14-S3](#): They denied themselves the pleasures of the lusts of the flesh.
4. [C14-S4](#): The unique position of the "hundred and forty four thousand".
5. [C14-S5](#): The unique testimony of the "hundred and forty four thousand".
6. [C14-S6](#): Their testimony of honesty.
7. [C14-S7](#): The last command to be saved.
8. [C14-S8](#): The announcement of a future event.
9. [C14-S9](#): The never-ending consequence of worshipping "the beast and his image".
10. [C14-S10](#): The "patience of the saints" described.
11. [C14-S11](#): The command from God that all saved are to believe and obey.
12. [C14-S12](#): Our "Lord Jesus Christ", as the "Son of man" gets ready to judge the sinners on Earth.
13. [C14-S13](#): This "angel" gives the command from God the Father.
14. [C14-S14](#): Our "Lord Jesus Christ", as the "Son of man" reaped sinners from this Earth.
15. [C14-S15](#): The declaration of a second "reaping".
16. [C14-S16](#): The command from God the Father to start the "reaping".
17. [C14-S17](#): The declaration of what will be described in [Chapter 16](#).
18. [C14-S18](#): The volume of men killed at this time.

Our chapter starts with the reward given the "hundred forty and four thousand" virgin male Jews who stayed pure and maintained their testimony even though each of them suffered a martyr death. Our chapter ends telling us about our "Lord Jesus Christ" bringing a judgment of death and Hell upon those millions of people who opposed His rule. Therefore, we see two totally different results based upon how people responded to the commands of our "Lord Jesus Christ". In between the start and the end, we read about an "angel" "flying in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people". and, the note for the related sentence explains how that is possible using technology that exists today. Therefore, the people who claim that God *'is not fair to judge people because there are people who could not possible hear the Gospel'*, are proven liars. And, this is not the only time that God sends the "gospel" "throughout the world".

Chapter 15 Summary: The preparation for God's judgment upon the lost of the world.

1. [C15-S1](#): John saw the angels holding the plagues from God.

2. [C15-S2](#): John saw tribulation martyrs.
3. [C15-S3](#): The songs sang by the tribulation saints..
4. [C15-S4](#): These tribulation martyrs recognize the "glory" that is due to our "Lord Jesus Christ".
5. [C15-S5](#): Prophecy of future reaction to "the Lord".
6. [C15-S6](#): The seven last plagues came from the temple of God.
7. [C15-S7](#): The angels were given "golden vials full of the wrath of God".
8. [C15-S8](#): God's reaction in Heaven to this judgment being done.

Our chapter starts by telling us about the "seven last plagues" which are part of "the wrath of God" which will be poured out on sinful men on Earth. Most of the rest of our chapter tells us about the worship in Heaven because God will, finally, avenge the wrong done to tribulation martyrs. And, our chapter ends with the report of God displaying His power and glory. The wrath is poured out on men who refused to acknowledge God's power and glory.

Chapter 16 Summary: The pouring out of the "vials of God's wrath".

1. [C16-S1](#): God commands the judgments to begin.
2. [C16-S2](#): The first "vial of God's wrath" is poured out.
3. [C16-S3](#): The second "vial of God's wrath" is poured out.
4. [C16-S4](#): The third "vial of God's wrath" is poured out.
5. [C16-S5](#): Praise to our "Lord" for His righteous judgments.
6. [C16-S6](#): Why the first three judgments caused the results which they caused..
7. [C16-S7](#): The second statement of God's "righteousness".
8. [C16-S8](#): The fourth "vial of God's wrath" is poured out.
9. [C16-S9](#): Men reacted the wrong way.
10. [C16-S10](#): The fifth "vial of God's wrath" is poured out and men reacted the wrong way.
11. [C16-S11](#): The sixth "vial of God's wrath" is poured out.
12. [C16-S12](#): Three "unclean spirits" from three devils.
13. [C16-S13](#): More information about the "unclean spirits", their powers and their abilities to deceive men.
14. [C16-S14](#): First of two sentences from our "Lord Jesus Christ".
15. [C16-S15](#): Second of two sentences from our "Lord Jesus Christ".
16. [C16-S16](#): The "dragon" (Satan) gathers the armies of the world.
17. [C16-S17](#): The seventh "vial of God's wrath" is poured out.
18. [C16-S18](#): God displays His power.
19. [C16-S19](#): God displays His power in bringing judgment upon the centers of sin.
20. [C16-S20](#): God displays His power by altering the surface of the entire world.
21. [C16-S21](#): God uses hail to finish this judgment.

As the "vials of God's wrath" are poured out, we see many "plagues" which are similar to those sent upon ancient Egypt only more grievous. In "the word of God", Egypt is often used for a type of the world and the system of worldly thinking. Every lost person, who receives "the mark of the beast", has committed their life to pursuing the things of world and the system of worldly thinking. And a result, what God did to ancient Egypt is only a warning of what God will do to the lost people of this time and this world.

The first three of the "vials of the wrath of God" judged the world for sins done against the saints of our "Lord". The last four of the "vials of the wrath of God" judge men for their false worship and for spiritual sins. We see God using His role as "Lord" to bring judgment, as we also see everywhere else in the Bible.

Chapter 17 Summary: The system of false religion.

1. [C17-S1](#): John is shown the great religious whore.
2. [C17-S2](#): John left his body to see what the angel showed him.
3. [C17-S3](#): The appearance of the "great whore".
4. [C17-S4](#): The next thing that John was shown..
5. [C17-S5](#): The angel questions John's lack of true understanding.
6. [C17-S6](#): The angel explains this thing to John and us.
7. [C17-S7](#): The angel explains Satan's second "beast".
8. [C17-S8](#): God has John write this to make us seek spiritual "wisdom" about what is reported here.
9. [C17-S9](#): The angel explains the "seven heads".
10. [C17-S10](#): The description of Satan's second "beast".
11. [C17-S11](#): The description of Satan's "ten kings" which are controlled by his first "beast".
12. [C17-S12](#): The reaction of Satan's forces to the return of our "Lord Jesus Christ".
13. [C17-S13](#): Our angel adds further explanation of the symbolic meaning of the vision.
14. [C17-S14](#): The reaction of Satan's forces to the return of our "Lord Jesus Christ".
15. [C17-S15](#): Our angel adds further explanation of the symbolic meaning of the vision.
16. [C17-S16](#): The reaction and actions of the "ten horns".
17. [C17-S17](#): Why the "ten horns" act like described in the prior sentence.
18. [C17-S18](#): The angel adds the spiritual interpretation of what the woman symbolically represents.

In [Revelation 17](#) we see a new vision described. [Revelation 17](#) tells us about religion joining up with government to increase the power of each. In the end of the chapter, we see the "kings of the earth" (government) destroy "the woman/whore" (religion). [Revelation 18](#) tells us about the destruction of the devil-controlled economic system and the reaction on Earth. [Revelation 19:1-4](#) tells us about the reaction In Heaven.

In this chapter, God has "one of the seven angels which had the seven vials" show John a vision about the one-world religion ("a woman") riding ("sitting upon") Satan's first "beast" ("a scarlet coloured beast"). Our chapter tells us more about the one-world religion and about the governments which carry her so long as it helps them. However, it tells people: *'We're all going to the same place. Therefore, you can worship whoever you want and however you want and it will be OK'*. And, "ten horns" want everyone to worship Satan and Satan's first "beast". Satan's second "beast" (whom men call *'the Antichrist'*), created the idol of Satan's first "beast" and did miracles to get everyone to worship Satan and Satan's first "beast" exclusively. However, the one-world religion refuses to go along with their demands. And, history tells us that Caesar started killing everyone who worshipped any being except himself as their god. Therefore, these "ten horns" repeat that attempt, which is why our sentence tells us that the "ten horns" "shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire".

Chapter 18 Summary: The destruction of "Babylon the great".

1. [C18-S1](#): The next vision which John has..
2. [C18-S2](#): The angel declares the destruction of "Babylon the great".
3. [C18-S3](#): Why the prior sentence is true.
4. [C18-S4](#): A warning from God.
5. [C18-S5](#): Why God will judge Babylon the great.
6. [C18-S6](#): The judgment that God's people call for God to render.
7. [C18-S7](#): Why "Babylon the great" deserves judgment.
8. [C18-S8](#): How "Babylon the great" will be judged.
9. [C18-S9](#): "The kings of the Earth" lament the destruction of the city.

10. [C18-S10](#): Why "the kings of the Earth" feared.
11. [C18-S11](#): The reaction to the loss of commerce.
12. [C18-S12](#): What lost men valued the most will no longer be sold by "Babylon the great".
13. [C18-S13](#): The merchants bewail their loss of future income.
14. [C18-S14](#): The merchants realized how completely all of Satan's government lost the fight against God.
15. [C18-S15](#): Everyone involved in the shipping industry wailed over the loss of the industry.
16. [C18-S16](#): They grieved about the loss of the most profitable shipments.
17. [C18-S17](#): People realize that the city is completely destroyed.
18. [C18-S18](#): There is an opposite reaction in Heaven..
19. [C18-S19](#): How "Babylon the great" is destroyed.
20. [C18-S20](#): No more civilization in "Babylon the great".
21. [C18-S21](#): The final reason for the judgment of "Babylon the great".

In [Revelation 17:1-19:6](#) we see a new vision described. [Revelation 17](#) tells us about religion joining up with government to increase the power of each. In the end of the chapter, we see the "kings of the earth" (government) destroy "the woman/whore" (religion). [Revelation 18](#) tells us about the destruction of the government part of this wrong joining of religion and government. And, it last tells us about the reaction on Earth. [Revelation 19:1-4](#) tells us about the reaction in Heaven. Please consider all of the verses and associated notes for [Revelation 17:1-19:6](#) together. [2Corinthians 6:2](#) says: "behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.)".

In this chapter we see God destroy the government and economy part of government joined to religion in what is called "Babylon the great". We see many, on Earth, wail because of the destruction. We also see celebrations in Heaven. We need to be careful about the motivations which we assign to the celebrating in Heaven. It is not because of the hurt and death but is because God fulfilled His promises which people accepted by true Biblical "faith". It is also because God put an end to the destruction of sinful lifestyles and doctrines of devils. Look at [19:1](#) which says: "for he hath judged the great whore, which did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and hath avenged the blood of his servants at her hand". That sentence literally gives us two Biblical reasons for the judgment which we see in this chapter. First, it says that 'Our "Lord God" ended the "corrupt the earth (from) her fornication"'. God stops the hurt of other people. Secondly, our sentence tells us that 'Our "Lord God" fulfilled His promises to saved people who truly lived by faith'. These are our Biblical reasons given, which means that we can trust our "Lord God" to correct all wrong done if we truly display our faith in Him.

In this chapter we see men finally realize the power and wrath of God Whom they have ignored and refused to believe. Now, many realize their mistake but it is too late for their own personal salvation. And, what happens to them also happens to many people who believe the lie that they can live a life of sin and say a prayer on their death bed and get a mansion in Heaven. The Bible clearly teaches that some people wait too late and can no longer be saved even though they are still alive.

Chapter 19 Summary: Preparation for the return of our "Lord Jesus Christ".

1. [C19-S1](#): Praise before the return of our "Lord Jesus Christ"..
2. [C19-S2](#): Praise doubled.
3. [C19-S3](#): God will leave the evidence of His judgment of "Babylon the great".
4. [C19-S4](#): The "four and twenty elders and the four beasts" join the praise.
5. [C19-S5](#): The command for all in heaven to worship our God.
6. [C19-S6](#): A "great multitude" in Heaven joined the worship.
7. [C19-S7](#): The "marriage of the Lamb" is announced.
8. [C19-S8](#): How the bride is presented.
9. [C19-S9](#): Blessing for serving God's kingdom after initial salvation.
10. [C19-S10](#): Verification that God backs what came before this in this Bible book.

11. [C19-S11](#): John's reaction to the statement of the prior sentence.
12. [C19-S12](#): The angel told John to only worship God.
13. [C19-S13](#): What happens after the marriage supper of the Lamb.
14. [C19-S14](#): More description of our "Lord Jesus Christ" as He prepares to return and rule this Earth.
15. [C19-S15](#): Further description of our "Lord Jesus Christ" as He prepares to return and rule this Earth.
16. [C19-S16](#): The witnesses to the victory by our "Lord Jesus Christ" follow Him.
17. [C19-S17](#): How our "Lord Jesus Christ" will deal with the nations.
18. [C19-S18](#): The true power and authority of our "Lord Jesus Christ" is revealed.
19. [C19-S19](#): God invites the birds to eat all of the dead bodies.
20. [C19-S20](#): The armies led by Satan, and his two "beasts", gather to fight our "Lord Jesus Christ".
21. [C19-S21](#): The armies of this world, including all of the devils, lose the war.
22. [C19-S22](#): What happens to Satan's two "beasts".
23. [C19-S23](#): What happens to the armies of this world.

As noted at the start of all notes for chapters [17](#) and [18](#), those chapters tell of the judgment of "the great whore" by "the Lord our God" and the first 6 verses of this chapter tell us that many "people in Heaven" worshipped "the Lord our God" because of that judgment. This worship leads into the worship that precedes the "marriage of the Lamb" which includes the "honeymoon" that is the 1,000 years reign of "Christ" on Earth ([19:7- 20:15](#)). However, the new worship in [19:7](#), which starts with "Let us" is separate from the worship found in [19:1-6](#) because it starts a new reason for the worship.

As [18:6](#) said, God said to "Reward her even as she rewarded you" and this sentence says that she was "judged" for the sin she did. That is, God always relates the judgment to the sin which brought the sin. The third part of our sentence tells us that she "did corrupt the earth with her fornication" and we saw in the verses and notes for Chapter 17 and Chapter 18 explain that the "fornication", which she did, was the joining of false religion to the governments of this world ("kings of the earth") which "did corrupt" the worship of the people on "the earth". We also see that this judgment was because "the Lord God" "hath avenged the blood of his servants at her hand". Back in [Revelation 6:10](#) we saw "his servants" crying for "the Lord" to "judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth". Now we see that He has done so and we see that all of these things are interrelated and not disjoint acts of God..

In the general note for this epistle it was noted that this epistle is the "Revelation" of the person Who is "Jesus Christ" and that future events are revealed only in that they show us Who this person is. When people are concentrating upon the events and ignoring the person, they tend to deal with the events as disjointed acts of God. However, when we look at this epistle to see what it is teaching us about the person of "Jesus Christ", we see the relationship between different acts because those relationships show us why our "Lord God" does what He does.

Our chapter starts with our "Lord Jesus Christ" preparing to return to this World and conquer all devils and lost people before He sets up His kingdom. The first thing that we read about is a big celebration in heaven because it is time for "the marriage supper of the Lamb". That immediately precedes our "Lord Jesus Christ" returning to conquer and then set up His kingdom. The 1,000 years reign of "Christ" is, essentially, His honeymoon. After "the marriage supper of the Lamb", we read about how our "Lord Jesus Christ" will be seen by all of the devils and armies of the lost when He returns. This is also how people will see Him as He rules this world. At the end of the chapter, we have a simple statement that our "Lord Jesus Christ" wins the war. God does not have John spend a lot of effort reporting the details because all that we really need to know is that He wins the war with no loss on His side.

Chapter 20 Summary: The 1,000 years reign of "Christ".

1. [C20-S1](#): What John sees after our "Lord Jesus Christ" defeat all of the devils and armies of Satan.
2. [C20-S2](#): The length of time for this imprisonment of Satan.

3. [C20-S3](#): Some people returning with "Lord Jesus Christ" will be made judges and some will have positions in His government.
4. [C20-S4](#): The exception to the prior sentence.
5. [C20-S5](#): This is the first resurrection.
6. [C20-S6](#): Why we want to be part of "the first resurrection".
7. [C20-S7](#): Satan's last rebellion.
8. [C20-S8](#): How the rebels attacked our "Lord Jesus Christ" and His "saints".
9. [C20-S9](#): The final judgment of Satan His "beasts".
10. [C20-S10](#): The final judgment all lost.
11. [C20-S11](#): Who is judged and how.
12. [C20-S12](#): The dead were resurrected to face judgment.
13. [C20-S13](#): And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire.
14. [C20-S14](#): This is the second death.
15. [C20-S15](#): And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

Our chapter starts with Satan being locked up for the 1,000 years reign of "Christ". It ends with the "great white throne" judgment where everyone in Hell is judged according to the Heavenly legal record of their sins and according to "the word of God". As a result of that judgment, everyone is removed from Hell and "cast into the lake of fire". In addition, there is a second legal basis for casting them "into the lake of fire". We read that: "And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire". They not only violated God's law by sinning but they also refused God's plan of salvation because their name was not "written in the book of life".

Between the beginning and the end of our chapter, we read what little John writes about the 1,000 years reign of "Christ". There is more written in other places of "the word of God", so the reader needs to reference those other places in order to learn more about this time. For example, [Matthew 25:31-46](#) tells us about '*The Sheep and Goat Judgment*' where those people who helped God's people, during the "great tribulation", and who did not take the "mark of the beast", nor worshipped Satan's "beast", were allowed to go into the 1,000 years reign of "Christ" in their literal physical bodies. They will have children which need to be tested by God at the end of "Christ's" reign.

In addition to those people, John also writes about the "four and twenty elders" becoming judges, for the reign of "Christ". He also writes that the tribulation martyrs will be part of the government of "Christ". And, elsewhere, we are also told that the saved people within the church, who proved to be "chosen and faithful", will also be part of the government of "Christ". Our chapter also tells us that anyone who is part of the government of "Christ", is also "Blessed and holy". All honest people have to admit that there are people who claim to be saved but who are definitely not "holy". All of these people "hath part in the first resurrection" and are assured of their everlasting salvation. Other saved people are not resurrected until the 1,000 years reign of "Christ" is ended. They also are not allowed to return, to Earth, with "Christ" for His reign.

Chapter 21 Summary: God's plan for the saved to enjoy eternity.

1. [C21-S1](#): God creates "a new heaven and a new earth".
2. [C21-S2](#): The "holy city, new Jerusalem".
3. [C21-S3](#): The "tabernacle of God is with men".
4. [C21-S4](#): God will end all causes and results of sorrow.
5. [C21-S5](#): God makes everything new.
6. [C21-S6](#): God personally verifies what has been reported in this chapter and book.
7. [C21-S7](#): God's entire plan from before creation is complete.
8. [C21-S8](#): "I am Alpha and Omega".
9. [C21-S9](#): God's promise to provide our spiritual desires in this life.

10. [C21-S10](#): God's promise to true "overcomers".
11. [C21-S11](#): God's judgment of certain types of people.
12. [C21-S12](#): The start of the description of the next gift which God provided.
13. [C21-S13](#): The first of the details about that "that great city, the holy Jerusalem"..
14. [C21-S14](#): The description of the foundations.
15. [C21-S15](#): The angel had the ability to measure the city.
16. [C21-S16](#): It is massive.
17. [C21-S17](#): The length of the walls.
18. [C21-S18](#): The height of the walls.
19. [C21-S19](#): The materials used to build the city.
20. [C21-S20](#): The ornamentation of the foundations.
21. [C21-S21](#): The particular stones used to ornament the foundations.
22. [C21-S22](#): The composition of the gates and streets.
23. [C21-S23](#): God is the temple.
24. [C21-S24](#): There is no need of sun or moon.
25. [C21-S25](#): There will always be access.
26. [C21-S26](#): There will always be access.
27. [C21-S27](#): People will bring "glory" in order to worship.
28. [C21-S28](#): Access will be limited.

Our chapter starts out telling us that God creates "a new heaven and a new earth". Then, the rest of the chapter describes "the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband".

Chapter 22 Summary: The final invitation.

1. [C22-S1](#): John saw the "river of life" in "the holy city, new Jerusalem".
2. [C22-S2](#): What else John saw in "the holy city, new Jerusalem".
3. [C22-S3](#): God will eliminate the curse on creation.
4. [C22-S4](#): Major changes in day-night cycle.
5. [C22-S5](#): We can have true Biblical "faith" in the prophecies from God because they are based upon His character.
6. [C22-S6](#): The warning from our "Lord Jesus Christ".
7. [C22-S7](#): John was a personal witness to all in this Bible book.
8. [C22-S8](#): John's reaction to what he witnessed.
9. [C22-S9](#): Worship no one but God.
10. [C22-S10](#): Leave this book of prophecy open to true understanding.
11. [C22-S11](#): Let everyone continue with their spiritual attitudes and God will judge them.
12. [C22-S12](#): The last promise from our "Lord Jesus Christ".
13. [C22-S13](#): Our "Lord Jesus Christ" starts and ends everything.
14. [C22-S14](#): Blessings for eternity.
15. [C22-S15](#): Who is excluded.
16. [C22-S16](#): Our "Lord Jesus Christ" is the true author of this book of revelation.
17. [C22-S17](#): Our "Lord Jesus Christ" generated and fulfilled these prophecies.
18. [C22-S18](#): The second invitation to true Biblical salvation.
19. [C22-S19](#): Command for others to offer of true Biblical salvation.
20. [C22-S20](#): Offer of true Biblical salvation given to a specific group of people.
21. [C22-S21](#): Offer of true Biblical salvation to take the gift "freely".
22. [C22-S22](#): The testimony and warning from our "Lord Jesus Christ".
23. [C22-S23](#): The last warning from "Lord Jesus Christ".
24. [C22-S24](#): "Amen".
25. [C22-S25](#): John's prayer for the return of our "Lord Jesus Christ".

26. [C22-S26](#): "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all".
27. [C22-S27](#): "Amen".

Our chapter starts by telling us things which God has reserved for those saved people who truly serve Him. Next, we are assured that all prophecy, especially this book, comes from our "Lord Jesus Christ" using angels and John as His messengers. Only God can give true detailed prophecies. We are assured that these prophecies are "faithful and true" because they come from God and not from some fallible man. And, following that assurance, we are given the first, of three in this chapter, warnings that our "Lord Jesus Christ" will "come quickly" (**suddenly and unexpectedly**). Therefore, we need to be prepared for Him to show up without warning and end our life followed by judgment for how we live.

John adds his testimony that he was a personal witness to all that is found in this book. He does not report anything unless he personally saw or heard it. After that, we are warned to worship God and no one else. Only God gives us the blessings which are true blessings. And, John is told to leave the understanding of these prophecies open because the is limited time for the church to act on them. Those who "do his commandments" will be blessed and the disobedient will be cursed.

Again, we have testimony from our "Lord Jesus Christ" that he is the true author of this book. Therefore, based upon His being God, we should believe it and avoid the judgment prophesied for Satan, all devils and all lost people. Following that warning, we read the invitation to receive God's true Biblical salvation from several sources along with promised blessings for those people who do act upon God's invitation. Following that, we have a warning against altering God's message along with the final warning that lost people have limited time to act upon God's invitation to true Biblical salvation.

Our chapter ends with what I wrote at the beginning. This book is a single "revelation" that "Jesus Christ" is "Lord Jesus Christ". He is the source of all blessings and of all judgments. Therefore, anyone who ignores His role in everything is a fool.

Q &A for Revelation Class

Prophecy in general:

1. What is the true purpose of prophecy?
 - a) It proves that God is the most powerful Being anywhere. God gives detailed prophecies and gives all devils and their men a long time to try and stop God. Then God does exactly what He said He would do.
2. What is true about all unfulfilled prophecies that God does just so that we can identify false prophets?
 - a) God tells much in prophecy but God always leaves out a critical factor in what he will do and God always leaves the exact time in question. Therefore, anyone who claims to know when an unfulfilled prophecy will be fulfilled or exactly how it will be fulfilled proves themselves to be a liar.
3. What are the true results for men that God warns about with all prophecies?
 - a) All prophecies are designed to give comfort to saved people who are truly serving God but also to cause fear, and warns, the carnal and lost. The carnal and lost are deceived by false prophets who serve devils and promise people that everyone is going to a Communistic Heaven where everyone is promised a mansion and living in eternal bliss. God makes it very clear that God rewards different types of people “[according to their works](#)”. This is not just between the saved and lost but also applies to every saved person.
4. Daniel was told to “[seal up](#)” His prophecy “*even to the time of the end*” ([Daniel 9:24](#); [Daniel 12:4](#); [Daniel 12:9](#)). John was told differently. He was told to “[Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book](#)” ([Revelation 22:10](#)). What is the difference and why did God make this difference?
 - a) The true interpretation of the prophecy from Daniel was hidden by God until the “[the time of the end](#)”, which is now. John was told to “[Seal not](#)” (do not hide the true interpretation) because it is time, according to God, for these prophecies to become true. And, God’s Holy Spirit uses the true interpretation of the book of Revelation to help God’s people understand the prophecy given through Daniel.
5. Who is the true author of Revelation?
 - a) God the Father spoke through our “[Lord Jesus Christ](#)” ([Revelation 1:1](#)). They used John like we use a pen to write our name. The pen puts down the ink but we do the writing. John put down the ink but only God could write the prophecies found in this book ([2Peter 1:21](#)).
6. Why was Revelation written?
 - a) To reveal that “[Jesus Christ](#)” is “[Lord of lords and King of kings](#)”. Our book starts with: “[The Revelation of Jesus Christ](#)” and ends with: “[Even so, come, Lord Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen](#)”.
7. Why does Revelation promise a curse upon anyone who perverts the message of it as well as a blessing on everyone who believes the true message of Revelation?
 - a) This is actually the third time that God puts this in His word. It also is at the beginning and in the middle. To pervert any part of God’s word is to attack the character of God because God wrote all of His word and he backs everything in it with His character.
8. [Revelation 7:17](#) and [Revelation 21:4](#) both tell us: “[God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes](#)”. Why is this said twice and what is the application to all saved of today?
 - a) The first time is before the “[1,000-year reign of Christ](#)” and is only applied to tribulation martyrs. The second time is after the “[1,000-year reign of Christ](#)” and is only applied to all other saved. This proves two things:
 - i. The doctrine of ‘[no tears in Heaven](#)’ is a lie from devils.
 - ii. God gives different levels of rewards to different saved people depending upon their service to God while they are alive.
9. Are all saved promised a “[mansion](#)” in Heaven?

- a) No. [John 14:2](#) says: “In my Father's house are many mansions: if *it were* not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.’ That is the only place in the Bible where we read the word “mansion”. We are told that there are “many mansions” but we are only promised “a place”. If we want a “mansion”, in Heaven, we must become a “servant of all” ([Mark 9:35](#); [Mark 10:44](#))
10. What is required for a saved person to be part of the “bride of the lamb”?
- a) They have to be saved during the ‘Church Age’ and have “righteousness” of their own to be dressed in ([Revelation 19:8](#)). We have no “righteousness” of our own ([Romans 3:4](#)). We only receive such, in our Heavenly record., by letting our “Lord Jesus Christ” work through our lives. Thus, saved people who do not serve God will be in heaven but not be part of “bride of the lamb”.

Book Summary:

1. What is required for a saved person to return with “Christ” for His 1,000-year reign?
 - a) They must be “called, and chosen, and faithful” ([Revelation 17:14](#)). All saved are “called”. However, all are not “faithful” and saved must spiritually mature in order to be “chosen”.
2. What is the ‘[Sheep and Goat Judgment](#)’ and when does it happen?
 - a) We are told about this in [Matthew 25:31-46](#). Right after our “[Lord Jesus Christ](#)” returns to rule for 1,000 years, and defeats all devils and their armies, He judges the people left on the Earth, Those people who helped God’s people and refused the “[mark of the beast](#)” and refused to worship the “[beast](#)”, will go into His kingdom in their human bodies. All other people on Earth will be sent to Hell.
3. Who are Satan’s trinity and Who do they try to replace?
 - a) Satan tries to replace God the Father.
 - b) Satan’s first “[beast](#)” is a devil who possesses seven heads of government and runs ten countries. He tries to replace God’s “[Holy Spirit](#)”.
 - c) The resurrected (or replaced) Judas Iscariot. He tried to replace “[Jesus Christ](#)”. He is who men, wrongly, call ‘[the Antichrist](#)’.
4. Who are the two women in Revelation and what do they represent?
 - a) One represents the mother of the Jews and true religion towards God.
 - b) The second is the one-world religion and represents false worship throughout history.
5. What are the various judgments which God brings upon this Earth?
 - a) Seven seals
 - b) Seven trumpets
 - c) Seven vials of the wrath of God
 - d) Three woes
6. What do the two white horses represent?
 - a) The first of the four horsemen which carries Satan’s deception through false religion.
 - b) The second carries our “[Lord Jesus Christ](#)” and He brings in the results of true religion.
7. Who are the other three of the four horse men and what do they bring to men?
 - a) The red horse brings war
 - b) The black horse brings famine
 - c) The pale horse brings death
8. Who are the “[beasts](#)” within Revelation?
 - a) The “[four beasts in Heaven](#)” represent each represent an aspect of our “[Lord Jesus Christ](#)”.
 - b) Satan’s first “[beast](#)” tries to replace God’s “[Holy Spirit](#)”.
 - c) Satan’s second “[beast](#)” tries to replace our “[Lord Jesus Christ](#)”. He is who men, wrongly, call ‘[the Antichrist](#)’.
 - d) The “[beast out of the sea](#)” is Satan’s first “[beast](#)”.
 - e) The “[beast out of the earth](#)” is Satan’s second “[beast](#)”.
9. Who were the “[hundred and forty four thousand](#)”?
 - a) They were virgin male Jewish tribulation martyred witnesses for God.
10. Who were the “[two prophets](#)”?
 - a) They were Jewish tribulation martyred witnesses for God whom God deliberately does not name even though men try to go beyond “[the word of God](#)” and identify them.

Chapter 1

1. What is the main purpose of this book according to our chapter?
 - a) It is designed to give comfort to saved people who are truly serving God but also to cause fear, and warns, the carnal and lost. The carnal and lost are deceived by false prophets who serve devils and promise people that everyone is going to a Communistic Heaven where everyone is promised a mansion and living in eternal bliss. God makes it very clear that God rewards different types of people “according to their works”. This is not just between the saved and lost but also applies to every saved person.
2. Why is it important to stress that the name of the book is “Revelation” singular, and not ‘Revelations’ plural?
 - a) Because people have been taught that it is about “Jesus Christ” and future events. However, God told John to not report the “seven thunder” judgments. Therefore, this book only reports future events when they reveal that “Jesus Christ” is “Lord of lords and King of kings”. It is a single revelation.
3. What does our first sentence tell us that John “bare record” to?
 - a) “John bare record of the word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and of all things that he saw”. However, we need to recognize that God told John to not record some things which he saw because they were not part of “the testimony of Jesus Christ”. Therefore, the primary message of this book is revealing the character of our “Lord Jesus Christ” and what the truly can have hope in, because of His character, and what the ungodly should fear, also because of His character.
4. Why does John say that this book is also from “the seven Spirits which are before God’s throne”?
 - a) Because they identify seven characteristics of God which God wants His true witnesses to become like. They are identified in [Isaiah 11:2](#) and the note for [Revelation 3:1](#) names these “seven Spirits”.
5. Our third sentence tells us that John wrote “to the seven churches which are in Asia”. People use this sentence, along with others, as the basis for preaching about ‘great church ages’. What is the problem and the dangers of that preaching?
 - a) The ‘great church ages’ are the “seasons” and “Jesus” said “It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power”.
 - b) In addition, John wrote to all seven churches at the same time and they all existed at the same time. The doctrine of ‘great church ages’ requires each of these churches to represent different times and, according to this doctrine, they can not exist at the same time.
 - c) I’ve heard American preachers preach in the Philippines that it is ‘the Laodicean Age’ and that’s why very few people are getting saved. However, I’ve been in at least twenty three-day tent meetings which had between two thousand and three thousand professions. The true message to the churches in the Philippines is what “Jesus” said to the “church in Philadelphia” (“I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name”). In addition, churches in Africa and the Middle East need to hear the messages sent to other churches because their circumstances match other of these “seven churches”. Thus, this doctrine teaches the lie that every church in the world lives in the same circumstances as the majority of churches in America.
6. Our sixth sentence says: “Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him”. What is this speaking about and why does it come before the messages to the churches?
 - a) It is speaking about the Rapture. Our chance to serve God, in this physical reality, and to lay up treasure in Heaven, ends at that time. Therefore, before our “Lord Jesus Christ” tells us what to do, he wants us to realize that we have limited time to accomplish whatever we do for God.
7. Why does Jesus say: “I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending”?
 - a) He says it two different ways so that if people have trouble understanding one way, they can understand it the other way. He also says it twice so that we can know that this is

part of God's law which everyone is required to believe. Then He wants us to understand the symbolic meaning. He created everything ("Alpha, the beginning") and he will destroy all of creation ("Omega, the ending"). He is also in control of everything between the beginning and the ending, especially for the saved.

8. In this chapter we read: "I John...was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ". How does this relate to the claim that: 'John is the only apostle who did not suffer a martyr's death'?
 - a) That claim is based upon a partial reading of history and a partial truth is always a full lie. History also tells us that John was boiled alive in oil. We can not know if he did, or did not, suffer a martyr's death and be resurrected by our "Lord Jesus Christ". In addition, John was sent to Patmos to be worked and starved to death. Just because history says that he survived that experience, we can not say that he did not suffer as a martyr when "the word of God" tells us that he was literally suffering there "for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ".
9. In the description of our "Lord Jesus Christ", we read: our "out of his mouth went a sharp twoedged sword: and his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength". What is the symbolic meaning of this phrase?
 - a) The "sharp twoedged sword" represents "the word of God" that he will use to judge everyone. The phrase "his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength" tells us that nothing will be hid from Him. He will judge everything and this book only tells us a high-level view of the coming judgments.
10. What is the symbolic meaning of the last sentence in our chapter ("The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches: and the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches.")?
 - a) God uses the word "angel" for His messengers. The pastors are the messengers from God to the local church. We are also told that the word "candlestick" symbolically represents the "church". A "candlestick" holds several candles. The saved members of the church are to be God's light in this world ([Matthew 5:14](#)). Thus, God wrote this book to the saved members of a local church which are listening to what God tells them through His local pastor. Lost and carnal people and people listening to someone who contradicts their local pastor are not given the true message from this book.

Chapter 2

1. What is the main message of this chapter?
 - a) We are told what John is to write to the first four of the seven churches.
2. The last sentence in our chapter says: “He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches”. What is the meaning of that sentence?
 - a) We are to hear the spiritual message from God’s Holy Spirit. We are to not listen to the religious and physical messages which pervert the message of this book. The phrase: “He that hath an ear” tells us that some people can hear the spiritual message and that some can not. So, we are to not listen to, nor accept, messages from people who can not, or do not, listen to God’s Holy Spirit.
3. Our “Lord Jesus Christ” gave a rebuke to most of these churches. But he also started out the message to each church with what they were doing right. What does this teach us?
 - a) Any time that we need to rebuke someone we should always start by telling them what they are doing right.
4. What did our “Lord Jesus Christ” rebuke “the church of Ephesus” for and how did they get led into this error?
 - a) They, personally, (“thou”) had “hast left thy first love”. As explained in my [Book Study on Ephesians](#), I explain that they corrupted the “Gospel of Christ” by mixing it with doctrinal error. This caused them to not grow spiritually, like the true “Gospel of Christ” causes, and, eventually, caused them to personally “leave thy first love”. Thus, the main source of error was mixing in doctrinal error which prevents spiritual growth of the saved.
5. What did He say to them?
 - a) “He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God”. This is a reward in heaven which only some saved people are allowed. It requires a saved person to “overcometh” (‘have a lifestyle of overcoming doctrinal error by God’s Holy Spirit teaching from God’s word’).
6. What did our “Lord Jesus Christ” write to “the church of Smyrna” and what did He tell them?
 - a) He knew of their physical poverty and of the religious liars who told them that their physical poverty was proof that they were not blessed by God and that they had to become physically rich in order to be blessed by God. However, our “Lord Jesus Christ” wrote to them that they were “rich” in Heaven and their assurance of salvation was based upon their “overcoming” the temptations of the flesh and of this world and “overcoming” the religious lies from devils. (Note: we can not lose our salvation but we can lose our assurance of it.)
7. What did He say to them?
 - a) “He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death”. People who believe what God’s Holy Spirit tells us, and not the religious doctrines from devils, can be sure that they will go to Heaven and not to “the lake of fire”.
8. What did our “Lord Jesus Christ” rebuke “the church of Pergamos” for and how did they get led into this error?
 - a) They allowed people who served Satan to remain in the church. They used a worldly definition of “love” and ended up with the same doctrinal error as what caused Paul to write [1Corinthians](#).
9. What did He order them to do?
 - a) “Repent; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth”. If people do not turn from doctrinal error and “doctrines of devils”, then our “Lord Jesus Christ” will send someone to prove their doctrine to be wrong. If they continue to hold onto error, God will use that to send them to the “lake of fire”.
10. Why did our “Lord Jesus Christ” threaten to kill the children of the false prophetess in “the church of Thyatira”?
 - a) “I gave her space to repent of her fornication; and she repented not”. When we refuse to truly repent we cause our children and other followers to die early and to go to Hell.

Chapter 3

1. What is the main message of this chapter?
 - a) We are told what John is to write to the last three of the seven churches.
2. What did our “Lord Jesus Christ” rebuke “the church of Sardis” for and how did they get led into this error?
 - a) He said: “I know thy works, that thou hast a name that thou livest, and art dead”. That means: ‘They did religious works to be seen and approved by men but did not care what God’s judgment of their works were’.
3. What did our “Lord Jesus Christ” tell them to do in order to correct their problem?
 - a) He said: “Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent”. This means : ‘Remember the Spirit led doctrine which was preached earlier in their church history. Stop following religious doctrines from devils and return to obeying God’s Holy Spirit’.
4. What did our “Lord Jesus Christ” say that a few people in the church would receive and why?
 - a) He said: “Thou hast a few names even in Sardis which have not defiled their garments; and they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy”. There were a few who were not living in sin in spite of church doctrine which justified such lifestyles. The church doctrine, like many church doctrines of today, did not rebuke sin and might have actively justified sinful lifestyles.
5. What did our “Lord Jesus Christ” say to “the church of Philadelphia” and why?
 - a) “I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name”. They were like churches in many Third-World countries. They were physically poor and looked down upon because of their poverty.
6. Why did our “Lord Jesus Christ” identify Himself to them as: “he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth;”?
 - a) He opened a door of witnessing for them and no man could keep them from serving God. He also closed mission doors to churches which taught doctrinal error.
7. What did our “Lord Jesus Christ” promise to this church and why?
 - a) “Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth”. This means that they would be Raptured and did not need to fear going through the “great tribulation”. This supports the ‘PreTrib’ doctrine.
8. What did our “Lord Jesus Christ” rebuke “the church of Laodiceans” for and how did they get led into this error?
 - a) “I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot”.
9. What did He promise would be their judgment at “the judgment seat of Christ”?
 - a) “So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth”. They would not receive rewards in Heaven. No “mansion”. No being part of “the bride of the Lamb”. No returning to Earth to rule and reign with “Christ”. Instead, receiving tears averaging more than twice a week for more than 1,000 years ([Isaiah 66:23-24](#)),
10. What did our “Lord Jesus Christ” say to all of these churches and what is the consequence to saved even today?
 - a) “He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches”. Those people who listen and obey will be rewarded. Those saved people who refuse to listen and obey will suffer loss and many will also be punished until after the “great white throne” judgment.

Chapter 4

1. What is the main message of this chapter?
 - a) John, and all saved, are called up to Heaven. This is when the Rapture truly happens within the time-line of this book of prophecy.
2. What book do I recommend for accurate Biblical references and explanation of the Rapture?
 - a) TEACHING AND SERMONS FROM THE BOOK OF THE REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST written by Dr. Jeffrey Wilson, Friendship Missionary Baptist Church and Victory Baptist Bible College.
3. What is the symbolic meaning of the phrase: “as it were of a trumpet talking with me”, found in the first sentence of this chapter?
 - a) This is how the voice of God, speaking from Heaven, is often represented in “the word of God”.
4. How did John go to Heaven and how did he see and hear everything which he tells us in this book?
 - a) He wrote: “And immediately I was in the spirit”. His “spirit” left his body at the command of God. He also went to Heaven. Other prophets had visions and had angels speak to them. They did not have to leave their body for an angel to speak to them. Neither did they have to leave their body in order to receive a vision.
5. What did John see as soon as he arrived in heaven?
 - a) God’s throne with “four and twenty elders” on seats around God’s throne.
6. What do the “lightnings and thunders and voices” coming from the throne of God represent?
 - a) God giving instructions and commands for running everything.
7. What else are the “seven Spirits of God” and why are they symbolically represented by lamps?
 - a) They identify seven characteristics of God which bring understanding (represented by the “lamps”) to man. God wants His true witnesses to receive understanding from Him: seven Spirits”. We know that these are from God because the word “Spirit” is capitalized.. They are identified in [Isaiah 11:2](#) and the note for [Revelation 3:1](#) names these “seven Spirits”.
8. What do the “four beasts” around the throne represent?
 - a) Some commentators say that they are angelic beings who represent characteristics of our “Lord Jesus Christ”. Others say that they are just spiritual representations of the characteristics of our “Lord Jesus Christ”. Regardless if they are separate beings or not, they convey the same spiritual meaning. (Remember that this entire book is written to reveal Him to us.) They are “full of eyes before and behind” to let us know that nothing is hid from them. Our “Lord Jesus Christ” will demonstrate this truth when He judges men. The “beast” that is like “lion” represents His conquering strength as “the lion of Judah”. The “beast” that is like “man” represents His sacrifice and service to God the Father. He is our example of how to live in the flesh and serve God. (See the Study called: [What Did Jesus Do?](#)) The “beast” that is like “calf” represents His dying to pay for our sins. The “beast” that is like “flying eagle” represents His cleaning up this world after sin made a mess of it. When he will return to rule and reign, He will restore all of nature to be like it was originally created and the lion will lie down with the lamb.
9. Our chapter ends with the “four and twenty elders” and the “four beasts” worshipping God. What specific things do they worship Him for and what does this tell us about God?
 - a) They worship Him because He “was, and is, and is to come”, and He personally “has created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created”, and He is: “Holy, holy, holy”, and He is: “Lord God Almighty”. This clearly tells us that our “Lord Jesus Christ” is “Lord God Almighty”.
10. What does it mean when “the word of God” says: “Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power”?
 - a) He personally (“Thou”) has demonstrated, and will demonstrate again, that He has “glory and honour and power”. He is worthy of receiving recognition of these things, especially since He uses them for our good. This is just before John spends the rest of the book explaining why this is true.

Chapter 5

1. What is the main message of this chapter?
 - a) Only God's "Lamb" can open the title book to the Earth.
2. Who held the "book" and what does it contain?
 - a) God holds it and it is the title deed for the Earth.
3. Why did John weep?
 - a) Because there was a search made "in heaven, nor in earth, neither under the earth" with the results of: "no man...was able to open the book, neither to look thereon". There have been many men, throughout history, who have tried to rule this entire Earth but none have ever done so.
4. What aspect of our "Lord Jesus Christ" "hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof"?
 - a) He prevailed and continued to prevail ("hath"). He did it as: "the Lion of the tribe of Juda, the Root of David". As "the Lion of the tribe of Juda", He conquerors all other contenders and we see this as the "seven seals" are opened. As "the Root of David" He has the legal right to be "Lord of lords and King of kings". He is recognized in heaven, and everywhere, to be the legal ruler of all of the Earth.
5. Why does the "Lamb", which John sees, have "seven horns and seven eyes"?
 - a) They spiritually represent the "seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth". He personally shows us how the "seven Spirits of God" are to be in our personal life. (They are identified in [Isaiah 11:2](#) and the note for [Revelation 3:1](#) names them.)
6. Why did the "four beasts and four and twenty elders" have "golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints" as they worshipped the "Lamb"?
 - a) They were part of true worship in Heaven. Our true worship is the include prayers for the needs of others and for ourselves and in worship and recognition that only God can fulfill these requests. Among other things is the expectation that God will take vengeance for the things which God's people did not act upon in true faith that God would.
7. Why do the "four beasts and four and twenty elders" worship together at this time?
 - a) They show the uniting of everyone in Heaven and everyone on Earth being completely united once our "Lord Jesus Christ" takes rule of this *-Earth. They have been divided since sin came into the world.
8. What is the "new song" and why is it new?
 - a) The "new song" recognizes that our "Lord Jesus Christ" has proven worthy to rule the world and will do so with His saints ruling under Him. This song is "new" because it could not be sung until this time.
9. Why do "every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them" worship God's "Lamb" at this time?
 - a) [Romans 8:19](#) says: "For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God." All of creation has been waiting for what will happen as a result of God's "Lamb" taking possession of the Earth.
10. Why did the "four and twenty elders" and the "four beasts" worship at this time?
 - a) Because the laws of God will, finally, rule this Earth.

Chapter 6

1. What is the main message of this chapter?
 - a) The seals are opened.
2. What is the symbolic meaning, and the result, of the “white horse” going into the Earth?
 - a) It represents the deception of the one-world false religion which will spread throughout the world.
3. What is the spiritual significance of this action?
 - a) This is one of the reasons why the ‘Rapture’ had to happen before this time. God protects the truly saved from this deception.
4. What is the symbolic meaning, and the result, of the “red horse” going into the Earth?
 - a) War broke out all over the world and everyone tried to kill everyone else.
5. What is the spiritual significance of this action?
 - a) From time to time, throughout history, men have tried to murder others who did not believe like them. Thus, following the deception of the one-world false religion, men tried to murder anyone who did not accept that religion.
6. What is the symbolic meaning, and the result, of the “black horse” going into the Earth?
 - a) Famine happened everywhere.
7. What is the spiritual significance of this action?
 - a) With men everywhere trying to kill everyone else, no one was planting crops. Also, crops which were planted were destroyed or men killed others to take the crops. Famine always follows war.
8. What is the symbolic meaning, and the result, of the “pale horse” going into the Earth?
 - a) He brought death from wars and from starvation.
9. What is the spiritual significance of this action?
 - a) God was showing men the results of their submitting to the one-world false religion. Now only would they die physically, but they would go to “the lake of fire” which is “the second death”.
10. Who are “the souls under the altar”?
 - a) They were “slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held”. These were tribulation martyrs who refused to submit to the one-world false religion.

Chapter 7

1. What is the main message of this chapter?
 - a) God's special treatment of 'tribulation saints'.
2. Why are they given special treatment?
 - a) They stayed faithful to God through terrible circumstances. We are judged, and rewarded, "according to our works". Saved people who do more for God, during this life, receive greater rewards in Heaven and for eternity. Since they did more and during worse circumstances, they received greater everlasting rewards.
3. Why does our second sentence tell us that the one angel told the other four angels: "Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads"?
 - a) God protects His people from the judgments which he brings upon men for their sins. Yes, all saved die because all men die. However, they do not receive judgments for sins done by other people. This is another evidence that the 'Rapture' had to happen before God brought judgment upon the whole world for sins.
4. Who are the "hundred and forty four thousand witnesses"?
 - a) They are all virgin male Jews who are martyred for "were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held". We are told more, later in this book, how they receive special positions in the kingdom of God and receive other rewards because of how they served God in terrible circumstances.
5. The twelve tribes of Judah are different here than when named elsewhere. Why is Dan not included?
 - a) [Genesis 49:16-17](#) says: "Dan shall judge his people, as one of the tribes of Israel. Dan shall be a serpent by the way, an adder in the path, that biteth the horse heels, so that his rider shall fall backward." The tribe of Dan represented God's people who judged wrongly. Therefore, they are excluded from rewards given by God.
6. Why are their two tribes named for the descends of Joseph?
 - a) He is an Old Testament representation of "Christ". Symbolically, this shows us that the saved people who truly become like "Christ", in this life, will receive greater rewards than saved people who do not become like "Christ".
7. Why did all of the saved people in heaven worship "our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb" at this time?
 - a) Because, following this worship, we see God start the salvation of the Earth. As we see throughout "the word of God", worship for what God will do always precedes God acting. This is required for there to be true Biblical "faith".
8. Who are these people who worship, according to our chapter?
 - a) "These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb".
9. What unique reward do they receive before all other saved people in heaven?
 - a) "God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes".
10. What other rewards are we told that they receive?
 - a) "They are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple: and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat".

Chapter 8

1. What is the main message of this chapter?
 - a) The start of the “seven trumpets judgments”.
2. What started the “seven trumpets judgments”
 - a) The removal of the final “seal” on the title deed to the Earth. By removing the last “seal”, our “Lord Jesus Christ” is claiming the Earth as His own. Therefore, these judgments are His first act as the new owner and He starts by removing those things which offend Him and God the Father.
3. Before any trumpet is blown by an angel, we are told that: “another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne”. What is the significance of this act?
 - a) It shows that our “Lord Jesus Christ” is concerned with “the prayers of all saints”. By dealing with this first, he is giving these “prayers” a top priority.
4. What is the symbolic meaning of: “the angel took the censer, and filled it with fire of the altar, and cast it into the earth: and there were voices, and thunderings, and lightnings, and an earthquake”?
 - a) He “filled it with fire of the altar” to show that the judgment (“fire”) is from God (“the golden altar which was before the throne”) and He “cast it into the earth” because that is where the judgment will take place. In addition, the “voices, and thunderings, and lightnings, and an earthquake” are signs to men and devils, in the world, that God is bringing this judgment.
5. What happened when “the first angel sounded” and why?
 - a) This was a reminder from God of the plagues which He brought upon Egypt (reported in [Exodus](#)) because they put things of this Earth at a higher priority than serving God. The people that are reported in Revelation, at this time, did the same thing. God is bringing destruction with the “hail” to let them know that God will destroy anything given a higher priority than God. He mingles it with “blood” to let them know that their physical life will be destroyed for their idolatrous actions. The “third part of trees was burnt up, and all green grass was burnt up” to remove the comforts that God provides through nature. Since they refused to be thankful, God removed the blessings.
6. What happened when “the second angel sounded” and why?
 - a) A meteorite like “a great mountain burning with fire was cast into the sea: and the third part of the sea became blood; And the third part of the creatures which were in the sea, and had life, died; and the third part of the ships were destroyed”. Thus, God destroyed a major source of food and medicine. God is removing further sources of comfort and blessings from sinful men. And, God has done similar things all throughout history. As a result, men usually accuse God of not being fair instead of accepting that they are only reaping the results of their own sinful lives.
7. What happened when “the third angel sounded” and why?
 - a) “There fell a great star from heaven, burning as it were a lamp, and it fell upon the third part of the rivers, and upon the fountains of waters; And the name of the star is called Wormwood: and the third part of the waters became wormwood; and many men died of the waters, because they were made bitter.”. Where the prior angel delivered destruction to salt waters, this angel delivers destruction to fresh waters. Sinful men become “bitter” because they don’t get their way. They believe, whether they admit it or not, that God is their personal slave. When God doesn’t fulfill their great desires, they become “bitter”. Thus, God is, again, showing them the end result of believing that they can dictate to God.
8. What happened when “the fourth angel sounded” and why?
 - a) “The third part of the sun was smitten, and the third part of the moon, and the third part of the stars; so as the third part of them was darkened, and the day shone not for a third part of it, and the night likewise”. In the Bible, the light from the sun symbolically represents the light, and understanding, from God. The light from the moon symbolically represents the reflected light, and understanding, that come through God’s people. Since lost men reject both sources of light, God is removing one third of the light in order to show them what they do to themselves. There is much in “the word of God”, and on my web site, about light and darkness. For example, [John 3:19-21](#) says: “And this is the condemnation, that light is come

into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved. But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God.” Thus, God is giving them the physical results of their spiritual choices.

9. Why did the “angel fly through the midst of heaven (Earth’s atmosphere), saying with a loud voice, Woe, woe, woe”.
 - a) This is a warning to “the inhabitants of the earth by reason of the other voices of the trumpet of the three angels, which are yet to sound!”. No one will ever successfully accuse God of failing to give a warning before He brings judgment.
10. What are the results of the next three trumpets sounding which will bring such “woe”?
 - a) God will release devils to have their way with men because they prefer devils to God.

Chapter 9

1. What is the main message of this chapter?
 - a) Two of the last three trumpet judgments.
2. What is common these two judgments?
 - a) In our current chapter, we see two types of devils freed which were bound. They are more destructive than regular devils and than the devils released from Hell and reported earlier.
3. What happens when the “fifth trumpet” sounds?
 - a) An army of devil-scorpions are loosed
4. What was commanded to them?
 - a) “It was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads. And to them it was given that they should not kill them, but that they should be tormented five months: and their torment was as the torment of a scorpion, when he striketh a man.”
5. What was the result of their sting?
 - a) “in those days shall men seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them”. Imagine taking a gun and trying to blow your brains out and having to live with half your brains missing and having two big holes in your head. [Revelation 1:18](#) says: “I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.” People are not allowed to die unless our “Lord Jesus Christ” allows it.
6. Who was their king?
 - a) “They had a king over them, which is the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in the Hebrew tongue is Abaddon, but in the Greek tongue hath his name Apollyon”. Since he had been bound in “the bottomless pit”, he was more powerful and more evil than most other devils with, possibly, only Satan and Satan’s first “beast” being more powerful.
7. What happens when the “sixth trumpet” sounds?
 - a) “The four angels which are bound in the great river Euphrates loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men”.
8. What is the conclusion of our chapter?
 - a) The last sentence of our chapter says: “The rest of the men which were not killed by these plagues yet repented not of the works of their hands, that they should not worship devils”. Thus, what we are seeing here is that God is showing men the end result of their desire to worship devils. Men accuse God of being terrible but, as we see here, God only gives them the end result of what they themselves demand.
9. How many devils served these four and what were they like?
 - a) “The number of the army of the horsemen were two hundred thousand thousand: and the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them, having breastplates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone: and the heads of the horses were as the heads of lions; and out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone. The third part of men killed, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths”.
10. What else did they have which made them similar to the first army of devils?
 - a) “Their tails were like unto serpents, and with them they do hurt”. The first army had poisonous “tails like unto scorpions” and the second army had poisonous “tails were like unto serpents”.

Chapter 10

1. Our first sentence describes an angel as: “another mighty angel come down from heaven, clothed with a cloud: and a rainbow was upon his head, and his face was as it were the sun, and his feet as pillars of fire”. What does this tell us about this angel, especially with “a rainbow was upon his head”?
 - a) He was sent by God the Father and not by our “Lord Jesus Christ”.
2. What is the main message of this chapter?
 - a) The seven thunders judgments.
3. What is unique about these judgments?
 - a) John saw them but was commanded to not report them.
4. What are two probable reasons why John was told to not report the results of the “seven thunder judgments”?
 - a) This command proves that this book is not about all future events but only reports those future events which prove that “Jesus Christ” is “Lord of lords and King of kings”.
 - b) The word “thunder”, in “the word of God” is associated with the voice of God the Father. It is highly probable that these judgments were brought directly by God the Father to prevent devils from claiming that our “Lord Jesus Christ” was bringing judgments without the approval of God the Father. Such a claim would be a lie, but devils are liars. With God the Father bringing His own judgments, which match the judgments of our “Lord Jesus Christ”, that claim is proven to be a lie.
5. Our next sentence ([Revelation 10:5-7](#)) says that the angel announced that “that there should be time no longer”. When does our sentence say that this will happen?
 - a) “In the days of the voice of the seventh angel”.
6. What are we told that this statement means?
 - a) “The mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets”. That is: ‘All prophecy will be fulfilled’.
7. What is the “little book” most likely?
 - a) The “word of God”. God the Father had our “Lord Jesus Christ” use “holy men” to write “the word of God” and this chapter is telling us what God the Father does during the “great tribulation”. In addition, we are told that it “was in my mouth sweet as honey: and as soon as I had eaten it, my belly was bitter”. The “word of God” is “sweet” to preach and teach but it becomes “bitter” to the “belly” when it tells our “natural man” that we are sinning and need to change our character and our ways.
8. [Revelation 10:5-7](#) also says: “the angel which I saw stand upon the sea and upon the earth lifted up his hand to heaven”. What is the symbolic meaning that he “stood upon the sea and upon the earth” while he “lifted up his hand to heaven”?
 - a) When he “lifted up his hand to heaven”, he was acknowledging God the Father, Who provided all of the power and Who is the most powerful Being anywhere. When he “stood upon the sea and upon the earth” he was standing upon where Satan’s two “beasts” come from. Thus, he was showing that God the Father has the power to conquer Satan’s two “beasts”.
9. Why was John told to: “Go and take the little book which is open in the hand of the angel which standeth upon the sea and upon the earth”?
 - a) As already mentioned, the “little book” symbolically represents “the word of God”. It is what tells us that God has this power and authority. John represents all saved people who are commanded, by God, to take His “word” and “eat it up” so that it becomes our spiritual substance. And, just as our last sentence says that John had to continue to serve God, so also are we expected to serve God with the spiritual substance which we receive from “the word of God”.
10. Why does our last sentence tell us that John was told: “Thou must prophesy again before many peoples, and nations, and tongues, and kings”?
 - a) At the start of the chapter, John was told to not report what he saw. But following this chapter, he must return to reporting what he sees.

Chapter 11

1. What is the main message of this chapter?
 - a) God's preparation to take over the rule of the Earth.
2. The first thing that God has John do is “measure the temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein. But the court which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not; for it is given unto the Gentiles”. Why does God make this distinction?
 - a) This is the start of the many ways that God separates true worshippers from the false. In the end, God gives the true worshipers special places in heaven because they end up being martyrs, while God sends the false to Hell.
3. What is meant by the phrase, in the second sentence, of: “the holy city shall they tread under foot forty and two months”?
 - a) This is just before the middle of the “great tribulation”. This gives us a measure of when the prophecies starting in this chapter will start happening.
4. In our third sentence, we read: “And I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days, clothed in sackcloth”. What is this length of time?
 - a) This is just less than three and a half years. They start to prophesy just after Satan starts to have his “beast” pollute the temple worship in Jerusalem and they prophesy until Satan kills them, shortly before the return of our “Lord Jesus Christ” returns to rule and reign on this Earth.
5. What is the symbolic meaning of the description of them (“These are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth”)?
 - a) This phrase has two symbolic meanings.
 - I. The “word of God” uses the “olive tree” to symbolically represent the true people of God. (See the note for [Romans 11:24](#) for every place that “word of God” uses the phrase “olive tree” and an explanation of each usage with the contextual considerations.) Thus, they represent the true people of God who worship God properly during the “great tribulation”.
 - II. The “word of God” uses the “candlesticks” to symbolically represent the true local churches. (See the first three chapters in this book of prophecy.) These two were pastors for the true Jewish worshipers in Israel and especially in Jerusalem. They represented the churches which they pastored.
6. Our chapter tells us that they have power to repeat plagues which God brought against the people of Satan in the past. It also says that “if any man will hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed”. What is the symbolic meaning of this action?
 - a) [Numbers 26:9-11](#) tells us that “And the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up together with Korah, when that company died, what time the fire devoured two hundred and fifty men: and they became a sign”. Thus, God used fire, from the “mouth of the earth” to destroy those men who opposed God’s prophet Moses. We read a similar symbolic thing in [Jeremiah 5:11-14](#). In addition, [Job 41:19-21](#) and [Psalms 18:8](#) both tells us that our “Lord” will destroy His enemies with “fire out of his mouth”. Thus, this is a direct symbolic judgment from God against anyone who opposes His two witnesses during the “great tribulation”.
7. In [Revelation 11:11-12](#), we read: “And after three days and an half the Spirit of life from God entered into them, and they stood upon their feet; and great fear fell upon them which saw them. And they heard a great voice from heaven saying unto them, Come up hither. And they ascended up to heaven in a cloud; and their enemies beheld them”. Then, the next sentence tells us: “And the same hour was there a great earthquake, and the tenth part of the city fell, and in the earthquake were slain of men seven thousand: and the remnant were affrighted, and gave glory to the God of heaven”. How do these sentences relate to the ‘Rapture’?
 - a) As in the ‘Rapture’, we see God remove His servants before bring judgment upon their enemies. This is one more, of several places in this book, where we are shown that the ‘Pre-Trib’ doctrine is correct and that the ‘Mid-Trib’ and ‘Post-Trib’ doctrines are wrong and from devils.

8. In [Revelation 11:14](#), we read: “The second woe is past; and, behold, the third woe cometh quickly”. What was the first “woe” and what is the third “woe”?
 - a) The first “woe” was when “the bottomless pit” was opened ([Chapter 9](#)) and an army of scorpion-devils were let loose on this Earth.
 - b) The third “woe” is when Satan is cast out of heaven and down to this Earth and he “has great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time” ([Revelation 12:12](#)).
9. What was the first thing that happened after “there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever”?
 - a) The “four and twenty elders, which sat before God on their seats, fell upon their faces, and worshipped God” because as soon as God made the announcement, they praised God as if it had already been done. This is true Biblical “faith”.
10. What was the next thing that happened?
 - a) “The nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth”. Sinful people are always upset when God shows separate judgment of His people than He does of the lost. They believe that their lifestyles should not be the basis of judgment.

Chapter 12

1. What is the main message of this chapter?
 - a) The war of Satan against God using the nation of Israel.
2. What is [Revelation 12:1-11](#) telling us about?
 - a) Satan's rebellion against God and his attempt to kill all of God's people.
3. What is [Revelation 12:12-17](#) telling us about?
 - a) Satan being cast out of Heaven and into the Earth with "[great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time](#)". He kills lots of people but concentrates on trying to kill all Jews.
4. Who is the "woman" in verse 1?
 - a) She symbolically represents the mother of God's people, the Jews. We see "[the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars](#)" in Joseph's dream of [Genesis 37:9](#).
5. Who is the "[great red dragon](#)" and what does the symbolism mean with the heads, horns, and crowns?
 - a) The "[great red dragon](#)" is Satan because our next sentence tells us that: "[his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth](#)". That is, Satan got one third of the angels to join him in his rebellion against God. And, the symbolism mean with the heads, horns, and crowns is telling us that he controls ten nations and seven heads of nations through his first "beast".
6. What had to precede the coming of "[salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ](#)"?
 - a) "[And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him](#)". Until that happens, Satan goes into Heaven and accuses saved people of sin to try and get God to judge them. If God's people do not truly repent, then they can not expect mercy for the sins they do after being initially saved.
7. What saved people get to rejoice when this happens?
 - a) The saved who "[overcame him \(Satan\) by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death](#)". Saved people who do not have a proper testimony and who seek to keep their physical life, and associated pleasures, instead of sacrificing for the kingdom of God, are not given this promise.
8. Who did Satan concentrate on persecuting after "[he was cast out into the earth](#)"?
 - a) "[he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man child](#)". Satan concentrated on persecuting the Jews who truly served God. People who do not serve God but have problems are not truly persecuted by a devil but are only reaping the results of their own sinful lifestyle.
9. What did Satan do when the Jews fled into the wilderness and what did God do to protect them?
 - a) "[The serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood. And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth](#)".
10. Who did Satan concentrate on fighting against and why?
 - a) "[The dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ](#)". Satan concentrates on those saved people who truly try to serve God and His kingdom while in this physical life. The lost are his and he has no reason to truly fight against them. Likewise, the carnal do not fight against him. Therefore, he also has no reason to truly fight against them.

Chapter 13

1. What is the main message of this chapter?
 - a) Satan's two "beasts". Note, when people talk about 'the Antichrist' in Revelation, they are adding to God's "word" because there is no such person in this Bible book. They are also taking away from God's because they are not preaching about true "antichrists" found in [1John](#) and [2John](#). They are helping to hide the true "antichrists" and not giving God's people the warnings from God. In addition, every person whom I heard comment on 'the Antichrist' in Revelation, or write about this imaginary person, confuses what God's "word" truly says about Satan's two "beasts". One is a devil and the other is a man, but people are not "rightly dividing the word of truth" when they confuse what "the word of God" says to distinguish between these two beings.
2. Our first sentence describes Satan's first "beast". How does he have "seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns"?
 - a) He is a devil who possesses seven heads of government and controls the governments of ten countries.
3. Why did he serve Satan?
 - a) Because Satan gave him "his power, and his seat, and great authority". Just like devils can give power to men, Satan can give power to other devils.
4. How long did this "beast" rule and when did his rule end?
 - a) He ruled for "forty and two months" ("Three and a half years, which is half of the "great tribulation"). His rule ended when our "Lord Jesus Christ" had him, and Satan's second "beast", cast "alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone" when our "Lord Jesus Christ" returned to rule this Earth.
5. What was the reaction by lost people on the Earth?
 - a) "They worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast".
6. What is "Here is the patience and the faith of the saints"?
 - a) Waiting on God even when faced with a martyr's death.
7. Why does Satan's second "beast" have "two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon"?
 - a) He tries to replace God's "Lamb" but he talks like Satan ("a dragon") because he has the character of Satan.
8. Why do lost men do what he commands?
 - a) He does several miracles including "giving life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak".
9. What does he do to condemn all to Hell, and later to everlasting in the "lake of fire"?
 - a) "He causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark of the beast".
10. What is "the number of the beast" and what do we know about it?
 - a) His number is "Six hundred threescore and six" and "it is the number of a man", which makes Satan's second "beast" "a man". However, we are not told anything more, no matter what speculation n men like to make.

Chapter 14

1. What is the main message of this chapter?
 - a) God separates the judgment of the lost from the judgment of the saved.
2. What are the two different judgments which we read in this chapter?
 - a) The "hundred forty and four thousand virgin male Jews" received a special mark showing that they belonged to God and they each received a special position directly under God. However, the lost people on Earth were "reaped" with their blood spilled and their souls sent to Hell.
3. Do all saved get the same reward as the "hundred forty and four thousand virgin male Jews"?
 - a) No. This reward is restricted to the "hundred forty and four thousand virgin male Jews". In addition, [Revelation 14:13](#) tells us "their works do follow them". If a saved person does not "works" for God's kingdom, while they are physically alive, then "their works can not follow them" and they receive no reward in Heaven.
4. What are the three messages from angels who flew "in the midst of heaven" (atmosphere) and "Say with a loud voice" so that many people would hear their announcements?
 - a) "The everlasting gospel".
 - b) "Babylon is fallen".
 - c) "If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God".
5. Why did the angel announce "Babylon is fallen"?
 - a) "Because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication". That is, she made money from getting people to do false worship.
6. What are we told is "the patience of the saints" and why is it called that?
 - a) "They that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus". Like "Jesus", true "saints" serve God while waiting to get to Heaven to be blessed. Yes, God might bless earlier, but true "saints" know that they have to wait out the testing period while they continue to serve God and His kingdom.
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8. What is the basis of their rewards and, truly, the basis of rewards that anyone received in Heaven?
 - a) "Their works do follow them". A popular lie is: 'Everyone is promised a mansion in Heaven and living in eternal bliss'. Saved people who do not let God use their life here will go to Heaven but will not receive rewards when they have no "works".
9. What is meant when the angel was told to "Thrust in thy sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth; for her grapes are fully ripe"?
 - a) It was time to kill the men who rebelled against God and His "Christ".
10. Who is the "angel" of [Revelation 14:14-20](#) who "harvests" the Earth?
 - a) Our "Lord Jesus Christ". [Revelation 14:14](#) tells us that He was "like unto the Son of man". The "word of God" uses the word "angel" for: 'a messenger from God'. Our "Lord Jesus Christ" is God's main 'messenger' to lost men.
11. What are we told was the result of this "harvest"?
 - a) "The winepress was trodden without the city, and blood came out of the winepress, even unto the horse bridles, by the space of a thousand and six hundred furlongs".

Chapter 15

1. What is the main message of this chapter?
 - a) "The preparation for God's judgment upon the lost people of the world".
2. What are we told is the first thing that God prepared to deliver His judgment?"
 - a) "Seven angels having the seven last plagues; for in them is filled up the wrath of God". Many places in "the word of God" we are told that ongoing sin and rebellion against God brings His "wrath" upon the sinner.
3. The rest of this chapter tells us about a worship service in Heaven before the "seven last plagues" are released on Heaven. Why is this?
 - a) True Biblical "faith" requires God's people to worship Him for His actions before He acts.
4. Who did John see stand on "the sea of glass"?"
 - a) Tribulation martyrs.
5. Why did "they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb"?"
 - a) Because they were Jews, or died helping Jews during the "great tribulation" and both, "Moses" and God's "Lamb" are Jews who dies in the service of God.
6. What was their main praise?
 - a) "Great and marvellous are thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are thy ways, thou King of saints". They were God's "saints" and had proven that God was their personal "King".
7. Why did they say that "all nations shall come and worship before thee"?"
 - a) "Thou only art holy" and "thy judgments are made manifest". True worship involves recognizing God's personal ("Thou / thy") character attributes and the results of His character attributes ("thy judgments are made manifest").
8. Where were "the seven last plagues" taken from?
 - a) "The tabernacle of the testimony in heaven". God's judgment upon sinful lifestyles is part of His "testimony".
9. What were "the seven last plagues" added to before they were spread on the Earth?
 - a) "Seven golden vials full of the wrath of God" were given to the angels to put their "plagues" into before dispersing them.
10. What does our last sentence tell us what happens and for how long?
 - a) "The temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God, and from his power; and no man was able to enter into the temple, till the seven plagues of the seven angels were fulfilled". [2Chronicles 5:14](#) tells us that a similar thing also happened here on Earth.

Chapter 16

1. What is the main message of this chapter?
 - a) The pouring out of the vials of God's wrath.
2. What is the result when the first "vial of God's wrath" is poured out?
 - a) "There fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and upon them which worshipped his image".
3. What is the result when the second "vial of God's wrath" is poured out?
 - a) "The seat became as the blood of a dead man: and every living soul died in the sea".
4. What is the result when the third "vial of God's wrath" is poured out and why?
 - a) "The rivers and fountains of waters; and they became blood". The angel said that this was because: "Thou art righteous, O Lord, which art, and wast, and shalt be, because thou hast judged thus. For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and thou hast given them blood to drink; for they are worthy".
5. What is the result when the fourth "vial of God's wrath" is poured out?
 - a) "The sun was given power to scorch men with fire". The result was that men refused to repent. Instead they "Blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues: and they repented not to give him glory".
6. What is the result when the fifth "vial of God's wrath" is poured out?
 - a) "The fifth angel poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues for pain, And blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and repented not of their deeds".
7. What is the result when the sixth "vial of God's wrath" is poured out?
 - a) "The water of the great river Euphrates; and was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared. And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty".
8. What is the result when the seventh "vial of God's wrath" is poured out?
 - a) "There came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, It is done". This is said just before God the Father acts. As always, in "the word of God", we see it declare that the results of God's actions are "done" before God acts.
9. What is the symbolic significance of the phrase "voices, and thunders, and lightnings" in [Revelation 16:18](#)?
 - a) It shows that what follows is a direct action by God the Father.
10. What followed God the Father directly speaking to the Earth?
 - a) "A great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great. And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath. And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found. And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, every stone about the weight of a talent: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague thereof was exceeding great". The entire surface of the Earth was altered and every place suffered the "wrath of God".

Chapter 17

1. What is the main message of this chapter?
 - a) The system of false religion.
2. Who does the “[great whore that sitteth upon many waters](#)” symbolize?
 - a) The one-world religion. She is presented, in Revelation, as the opposite of the woman who birth the Jewish nation and pure religion that worships God.
3. Why does God’s angel accuse her of “[fornication](#)”?
 - a) She leads many people to commit “[spiritual fornication](#)”, which is worshipping anyone or anything instead of worshipping God.
4. Why does our chapter present her as “[the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand](#)”?
 - a) The false religion becomes very rich, in this world, and makes her priests and other religious teachers physically rich.
5. The word “[beast](#)” nine times in this chapter and is used for both of Satan’s two “[beasts](#)”. And, they are easily confused, especially if you do not know the attributes of each “[beast](#)”. Which sentence is describing which “[beast](#)”?
 - a) Satan’s first “[beast](#)”, who is a devil and possesses seven heads of Government and controls the governments of ten countries, is spoken about in [17:3](#), [17:7](#), [17:12](#), [17:13](#), [17:16](#) and [17:17](#).
 - b) Satan’s first “[beast](#)”, who is a literal man and the reincarnated Judas Iscariot, is spoken about in [17:8](#) and is spoken about in [17:11](#). In these two sentences, if you don’t understand the differences between the devil and the man, it is easy to think the angel is still speaking about the “[beast](#)” he mentioned prior to these sentences. However, John saw both “[beasts](#)” and at the start of [17:8](#), when the angel says: “[The beast that thou sawest](#)”, he is referencing Satan’s second “[beast](#)”. In [17:11](#), when the angel says: “[even he is the eighth, and is of the seven](#)”, the angel is saying that ‘[he is a physical man who comes from the seven men who are heads of governments](#)’. This is opposed to Satan’s first “[beast](#)”, who is a devil who possesses those “[seven heads](#)”.
6. What does our chapter mean when it says: “[the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus](#)”?
 - a) When someone is “[drunken](#)”, they are out of control of themselves. The one-world false religion murders all true “[saints](#)” and all “[martyrs of Jesus](#)”, that she can get ahold of, with no consideration of what other value that may have in society and with no consideration of the consequences for murdering them.
7. What does our chapter mean when it says: “[And here is the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth.](#)”?
 - a) Many people claim that this identifies Rome which sits on seven hills and not “[seven mountains](#)”. It is possible that the word “[mountain](#)” is used symbolically and not literally. I can not say. But I can say that the Roman catholic church will only be part of the one-world religion and not all of it.
8. What does our chapter mean when it says: “[These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them](#)”?
 - a) The seven governments will “[make war](#)” withal truly saved people in addition to “[making war](#)” with the Jews. But, somehow, our “[Lord Jesus Christ](#)” “[shall overcome them](#)”. We are not told when nor how He will do this. We are only told that it will happen.
9. What does our chapter tell us that the ten governments will do to the one-world religion?
 - a) “[The ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, these shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire](#)”. They will utterly destroy it and take everything which it owns.
10. What will the governments do as a replacement for the one-world religion?
 - a) They will require everyone to directly worship Satan’s first “[beast](#)”, who is a devil and who possesses seven of the heads of those governments.

Chapter 18

1. What is the main message of this chapter?
 - a) The destruction of Babylon the great.
2. Why did God destroy Babylon the great?
 - a) Because it became “the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird”.
3. How did it become that?
 - a) “The kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies”. People were only concerned with becoming rich and didn’t care about how they became rich.
4. What warning did God give His people about her?
 - a) “Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues”.
5. What was her attitude which God called sin?
 - a) “How much she hath glorified herself, and lived deliciously, so much torment and sorrow give her: for she saith in her heart, I sit a queen, and am no widow, and shall see no sorrow”. She believed and taught that there would be no judgment for a lifestyle of sin. Think about the religious beliefs of people involved in a life of organized crime.
6. How did her destruction come and how quickly?
 - a) “And a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone, and cast it into the sea, saying, Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be thrown down, and shall be found no more at all”. People speculate where this city will be but it must be by the sea in order for a wave, from a meteorite hitting the sea, to destroy it. In addition, we are told: “For in one hour so great riches is come to nought”. It was so destroyed that nothing was recoverable (“so great riches is come to nought”) and it happened “in one hour”.
7. How did she “deceive all nations”?
 - a) “By her sorceries”. Many have claimed that the original Greek, for the word “sorceries”, gives us drug dealers. It is reasonable, and already started, for governments to legalize all forms of drugs and the sinful lifestyles which go with them. Peter and Jude warn us that it will become like it was in the days of Sodom and Noah. In addition, [Revelation 11:8](#) says that Jerusalem “spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt”. So, yes, Babylon the great makes men rich by justifying sinful lifestyles.
8. Why does our chapter say: “Rejoice over her, thou heaven, and ye holy apostles and prophets”?
 - a) The explanation is actually in Revelation 19:1, which says: “for he (God) hath judged the great whore, which did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and hath avenged the blood of his servants at her hand”. God stopped her justifying sinful lifestyles which included martyring true believers and God “avenged the blood of his servants” who died in faith that God would do this and they did nothing because of their true “faith”. God proved that he keeps His promises.
9. Why will the shipping industry be weeping?
 - a) Because many “made rich all that had ships in the sea by reason of her costliness!”. Many shippers had become rich but now will be put out of business. They didn’t care about her sin nor about the lives destroyed by the lifestyles promoted by her. They only cared about their loss of income.
10. What were her riches known for?
 - a) “That great city, that was clothed in fine linen, and purple, and scarlet, and decked with gold, and precious stones, and pearls!”. One person, whose dad brought him to America when he was a teen, told me that he was looking for the trees that money literally grew on. That is what was taught in Third-World countries and that will be the attitude of people about Babylon the great before it is destroyed.

Chapter 19

1. What is the main message of this chapter?
 - a) Preparation for the return of our Lord Jesus Christ.
2. [Revelation 19:1-6](#) tells us about a praise service In Heaven. What is the focus of this praise?
 - a) These verses / sentences tell us that many people in Heaven worshipped the “[Lord our God](#)” because of His judgment of the “[whore](#)” described in prior chapters. As already explained in prior notes, the primary focus was not on God’s punishing the “[whore](#)”, but was because God stopped her justifying sinful lifestyles which included martyring true believers and God “[avenged the blood of his servants](#)” who died in faith that God would do this and they did nothing because of their true “[faith](#)”. God proved that he keeps His promises.
3. [Revelation 19:7](#) tells us about a second praise service In Heaven. What is the focus of this praise?
 - a) “[The marriage supper of the Lamb](#)”.
4. What does our chapter say that she is “[arrayed in](#)” and how does that restrict some saved people from being part of “[the bride of the Lamb](#)”.
 - a) She is “[arrayed in fine linen](#)” but we are also told that it is “[the righteousness of saints](#)”. We have no righteousness of our own ([Romans 3:4](#)). However, [Philippians 3:8-11](#) says that we can receive “[righteousness](#)” which is through the faith of Christ” when we let Him live and work through our life. Thus, we only receive such, in our Heavenly record., by letting our “[Lord Jesus Christ](#)” work through our lives. Therefore, saved people who do not serve God will be in Heaven but will not be part of “[bride of the lamb](#)”.
5. Who sits on the “[white horse](#)” and is called “[Faithful and True](#)”? (Please also see the Doctrinal Study called [Significant Gospel Events](#) for the Minor Titles of the Son of God.)
 - a) Our “[Lord Jesus Christ](#)”.
6. Why does our chapter say “[His eyes were as a flame of fire...he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood](#)”?
 - a) He is going to bring a judgment (“[eyes were as a flame of fire](#)”) that will kill most people still alive on the Earth [(“[and blood came out of the winepress, even unto the horse bridles, by the space of a thousand and six hundred furlongs](#)”) [Revelation 14:20](#)].
7. How will our “[Lord Jesus Christ](#)” judge people on the Earth and rule, afterwards, for 1,000 years?
 - a) “[Out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God](#)”. The “[sharp sword out of his mouth goeth](#)” is “[the word of God](#)” that is interpreted in a very precise way using rules which never change for any reason. The “[sharp sword](#)” will cut very precisely to separate right from wrong. The “[sword](#)” and the “[rod of iron](#)” will allow no bending of God’s law. The “[fierceness and wrath of Almighty God](#)” will end all sin before it has any chance to grow.
8. What happened to Satan’s two “[beasts](#)”?
 - a) “[The beast was taken, and with him the false prophet...these both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone](#)”.
9. What happened to all of the armies of sinful men?
 - a) “[The remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which sword proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh](#)”.
10. What happens to the people who were alive but not part of one of the armies which went to fight against our “[Lord Jesus Christ](#)”?
 - a) They are all tried in the ‘[Sheep and Goat Judgment](#)’ ([Matthew 25:31-46](#)).

Chapter 20

1. What is the main message of this chapter?
 - a) The 1,000 years reign of Christ.
2. What is one of the first things which will happen during this 1,000-year reign?
 - a) “And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years, And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season”.
3. What is meant by “he must be loosed a little season”?
 - a) “And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison, And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom is as the sand of the sea. And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them”.
4. Why does God allow this?
 - a) The people who went into “Christ’s kingdom”, as a result of the ‘Sheep and Goat Judgment’, will go in with their natural human bodies. [Isaiah 65:20](#) says: “There shall be no more thence an infant of days, nor an old man that hath not filled his days: for the child shall die an hundred years old; but the sinner being an hundred years old shall be accursed.” It is understood that these people will have children. But the children never were tempted and never had to choose to live for God, by true Biblical “faith”. Therefore, they are given a test before they go into eternity with God. Many will go into eternity with Satan into the “lake of fire”.
5. What will be the job of saved people who return with our “Lord Jesus Christ” when he rules for 1,000 years?
 - a) “They shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years”.
6. Our last sentence says: “And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire”. Who is left after that?
 - a) Only saved people in Heaven. This is very important because [Revelation 21:4](#) says: “God shall wipe away all tears from their eye”. God can not wipe away tears that don’t exist. This means that there MUST be ‘tears in Heaven’ no matter what lying doctrines from devils claim. People who are saved but refuse to serve God in this life, such as Lot and his wife, will be the people who have tears from when they get to heaven until this point in time. Satan’s devils and ministers push the lie of: ‘no tears in Heaven’ so that the truly saved will not serve God while in this life.
7. What is meant by the sentence: “But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished”?
 - a) Every person is given a perfect body that never dies and never grows old, even those who are “cast into the lake of fire”.
8. How many people will Satan deceive this last time?
 - a) “Satan shall be loosed out of his prison, And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom is as the sand of the sea”.
9. What is the final disposition of Satan?
 - a) “The devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever”.
10. What is the significance of our chapter telling us that “And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works”?
 - a) All lost end up in “the lake of fire”. But there will be varying degrees of punishment within “the lake of fire” with God’s standard of sin used to judge “their works”. Therefore, the preacher of “doctrines from devils” will suffer more than the mass-murderer.

Chapter 21

1. What is the main message of this chapter?
 - a) God's plan for the saved to enjoy eternity.
2. What is our first sentence telling us about the “new heaven and a new earth”?
 - a) It will be totally different than the current “heaven and earth” because there will be “no more sea”.
3. What happens to Hell?
 - a) It goes away with the old “heaven and earth” because Hell is in the center of the current Earth. And, there will be no more need for Hell after everyone is taken out of it and “cast into the lake of fire”. People preach about an ‘eternal Hell’, but it does not exist. Hell is God’s temporary holding place like jail. The “the lake of fire” is God’s permanent prison.
4. What does [Revelation 21:3](#) tell us will happen that never happened before?
 - a) “Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God”. God walked with Adam and Eve in the garden but He did not “dwell with them”.
5. What does [Revelation 21:4](#) tell us will happen that never happened before?
 - a) “There shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away”. Ministers of devils claim that this will happen as soon as people get to Heaven but it does not happen until after God creates the “new heaven and a new earth”.
6. What does [Revelation 21:8](#) tell us about the people who will be in the “new heaven and a new earth”?
 - a) None of the types of sinners named in that sentence will be in the “new heaven and a new earth”.
7. Why did the angel tell John “Come hither, I will shew thee the bride, the Lamb's wife” and then John described what the city looks like?
 - a) Because “the Lamb's wife” will live in the city while other saved people will live in “the nations” outside of the city. We call a Chinese Embassy Chinese because of the people in it and not because of the buildings. We call a Baptist church because of the people in it and not because of the building. Likewise, God prepared this city for “the Lamb's wife” and other saved people will not live in it because they did not serve God and God’s kingdom after they were saved and while they were still alive.
8. Why are the twelve gates named for the twelve tribes of Israel and the foundations named for the apostles?
 - a) God used the Jews (twelve tribes of Israel) to open the spiritual doors for men to get to know God and have a proper relationship with Him. God also used the apostles, and their written New Testament, for the foundation of how we are to have a proper relationship with God.
9. Why is there no sun and no moon?
 - a) “The glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof”.
10. What is the last thing that we are told about the “new Jerusalem”?
 - a) “There shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life”.

Chapter 22

1. What is the main message of this chapter?
 - a) The final invitation.
 2. Who gives the invitation to “come” for God?
 - a) “The Spirit and the bride”. This is another indication that saved people who are not doing the ‘Great Commission’ will not be part of “the bride”.
 - b) John representing God in [Revelation 22:17](#).
 - c) Any saved person who truly spiritually “heareth” or that is truly spiritually “athirst”.
 3. Three times in this chapter our “Lord Jesus Christ” says: “I come quickly”. What does He mean by this?
 - a) This is a warning to the saved that He will appear, in the ‘Rapture’ suddenly and with no prior notice. Therefore, the truly saved want to avoid doing sins which they would not want to be caught doing at the instant of the ‘Rapture’. In addition, the truly saved should do all they can to serve God, and His kingdom, now because they do not know when their life might be suddenly ended and they have no more opportunity to “lay up treasure in Heaven”.
 4. When John went to worship the angel, the angel said: “Then saith he unto me, See thou do it not: for I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren the prophets, and of them which keep the sayings of this book: worship God”. What does this tell us about anyone who worships any being or anything other than God?
 - a) The do not “keep the sayings of this book”.
 5. What does our chapter mean when it says: “Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book”? and, how is this different from what Daniel was told?
 - a) Do not hide the interpretation of these prophecies because they are relevant for today. Daniel was told to “seal the prophecy” (‘hide the true interpretation’) because his prophecy was not for his day but was for today.
 6. What does our chapter mean when it says: “He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still”?
 - a) Don’t waste your time trying to change people because that is God’s job and we can’t do it. Our job is to deliver God’s message and let God deal with their heart after we deliver His message.
 7. What does our chapter tell us when it says: “blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book”?
 - a) This is a promise of special blessing if a saved person has a lifestyle of keeping (“keepeth”) “the prophecy of this book”.
 8. Our chapter has the third time that “the word of God” promises a curse upon anyone who “shall add unto these things” or who “shall take away from the words”. What does it mean by: “God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book”?
 - a) Their physical life will be cursed and they will suffer in the flesh, probably for the rest of their physical life.
 9. What does it mean when our chapter says: “if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book”?
 - a) Denying “the words of the book” will cause a saved person to lose their Heavenly rewards (“his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book”) but does not mean he will lose his everlasting salvation because that would require God to remove “his name” from “the book of life”.
 10. What does the ending of our chapter tell us about this book?
 - a) It ends with: “Even so, come, Lord Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen”. The book started with: “The Revelation of Jesus Christ”. The main theme of the entire book is revealing that “Jesus Christ” is “Lord Jesus Christ”. And saved people who want to receive His “grace” must live a life which reveals Him as their personal “Lord”.
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God

Lord God almighty:	4:8 ; 11:17 ; 15:3 ; 16:7 ; 21:22 ;
of God:	
city of God	3:12 ; 20:9 ; 21:2 ; 21:10 ; 21:23 ; 22:19 .
commandment of God	12:17 ; 14:12
creation of God	3:14
glory of God	11:13 ; 14:7 ; 15:8 ; 16:9 ; 19:1 ; 21:11 ; 21:23
great supper of God	19:17
harps of God	15:2
judgment of God	20:12
kingdom of God	12:10
mystery of God	10:7
name of God	3:12 ; 16:9 ; 19:13 .
new city of God	21:2
of the living God	7:2 .
Paradise	2:7 ;
preparation of God	12:6
priests of God	1:6 ; 5:10 ; 20:6
seal of God	9:4
sayings of God	19:9 ; 22:6 ; 22:9 .
salvation of God	7:10 ;
Seven Spirits of God	3:1 ; 4:5 ; 5:6
servant of God	15:3
servants of God	1:1 ; 7:3 ; 10:7 ; 19:5 ; 22:3 ; 22:6 .
Spirit of God	2:7 ; 11:11 ; 19:10 ; 21:10 .
Son	2:18
tabernacle of God	21:3
Temple of God	3:12 ; 7:15 ; 11:1 ; 11:19 ; 15:8 ; 16:1 ; 21:22 .
Throne of God	4:55:6 ; 7:15 ; 7:17 ; 12:5 ; 14:5 ; 19:5 ; 22:1 ; 22:3 .
true sayings of God	19:9 ; 19:10
Word (Capitalized)	19:6
word of God	1:2 ; 1:9 ; 5:9 ; 6:9 ; 20:4
words of God	17:17
wrath of God	14:10 ; 14:19 ; 15:1 ; 15:7 ; 16:1 16:19 ; 19:15
God gave	
revelation of Jesus Christ	1:1 ;

city of God	3:12
day of God	16:14
remembrance of God	16:19 ; 18:5
man-God:	
made us kings and priests unto God	1:6 ;
works not perfect	3:2
some slain for the word of God	6:9
God wipe away tears of slain for the word	7:17
the prayers of the saints, ascended up before God	8:4
firstfruits unto God	14:5
commanded to fear God	14:7
blasphemy against God	16:9 ; 16:11 ; 16:21
God will avenge	18:20
worship God	19:1 ; 22:9
God devoured with fire	20:9
God will be with saved	21:3
God will wipe away tears	21:4
personal relationship with God	21:7
God gives light	22:5
God sent revelation	22:6
God will curse	22:18-19
Angels - God	
worship God	4:8 ; 7:11 ;
Seven angels	8:2
twenty four elders - God	
worship God	11:16 ; 19:4 ; 19:6
Jesus - God	
redeemed us to God	5:9
made us kings and priests	5:10
God took to Heaven	12:5
Devil - God	
blasphemy against God	13:6 ;

God will burn	18:8
Before God	
voice from altar	9:1
Devil accuse saved	12:10
God of	
Earth	11:4
Heaven	11:13 ; 16:11 .
the holy prophets	22:6
from God:	
fire	20:9
new Jerusalem	3:12 ; 21:2 ; 21:10
Revelation	1:1
Spirit of life	11:11
to God	5:9 ; 7:10
unto God	1:6 ; 5:10 ; 7:12 ; 12:5 ; 14:4 ; 19:1
before God	3:2 ; 8:2 ; 4 ; 9:13 ; 11:16 ; 16:19 ; 20:12
God shall	7:17 ; 17:17 ; 21:4 ; 22:18-19
Lord God	4:8 ; 11:17 ; 15:3 ; 16:7 ; 18:8 ; 19:1 ; 6 ; 21:22 ; 22:5-6
Fear God	11:11 ; 14:7 ; 19:5
blasphemed God	16:9 ; 16:11 ; 16:21
worshipped God	7:11 ; 11:1 ; 16 ; 14:7 ; 19:4 ; 10 ; 20:4
I will be his God	21:3 ; 21:7 ; 22:9
God hath remembered	18:5
God hath avenged	18:20
against God	13:6

Miracles.

- We find reports of angels appearing, in this physical reality and in Revelation in: [Revelation 1:1](#); [Revelation 1:20](#); [Revelation 2:1](#); [Revelation 2:8](#); [Revelation 2:12](#); [Revelation 2:18](#); [Revelation 3:1](#); [Revelation 3:5](#); [Revelation 3:7](#); [Revelation 3:14](#); [Revelation 5:2](#); [Revelation 5:11](#); [Revelation 7:1](#); [Revelation 7:2](#); [Revelation 7:11](#); [Revelation 8:2](#); [Revelation 8:3](#); [Revelation 8:4](#); [Revelation 8:5](#); [Revelation 8:6](#); [Revelation 8:7](#); [Revelation 8:8](#); [Revelation 8:10](#); [Revelation 8:12](#); [Revelation 8:13](#); [Revelation 9:1](#); [Revelation 9:11](#); [Revelation 9:13](#); [Revelation 9:15](#); [Revelation 10:1](#); [Revelation 10:5](#); [Revelation 10:7](#); [Revelation 10:8](#); [Revelation 10:9](#); [Revelation 10:10](#); [Revelation 11:1](#); [Revelation 11:11](#); [Revelation 11:15](#); [Revelation 12:7](#); [Revelation 12:9](#); [Revelation 14:6](#); [Revelation 14:8](#); [Revelation 14:9-10](#); [Revelation 14:15](#); [Revelation 14:17](#); [Revelation 14:19](#); [Revelation 15:1](#); [Revelation 15:6](#); [Revelation 15:7](#); [Revelation 15:8](#); [Revelation 16:1](#); [Revelation 16:3](#); [Revelation 16:5](#); [Revelation 16:8](#); [Revelation 16:10](#); [Revelation 16:12](#); [Revelation 16:17](#); [Revelation 17:1](#); [Revelation 17:7](#); [Revelation 18:1](#); [Revelation 18:21](#); [Revelation 19:17](#); [Revelation 20:1](#); [Revelation 21:9](#); [Revelation 21:12](#); [Revelation 21:17](#); [Revelation 22:6](#); [Revelation 22:8](#); [Revelation 22:16](#).
- God spoke in an audible voice from Heaven: [Acts 9:4-12](#); [Acts 11:9](#); [2Peter 1:18](#); [Revelation 10:4](#); [Revelation 10:8](#); [Revelation 11:12](#); [Revelation 14:2](#); [Revelation 14:13](#); [Revelation 16:17](#); [Revelation 18:4](#).
- John receives the Revelation at Patmos: [Revelation 1:17-20](#).
- [Revelation 11:11](#) tells us that God's "Holy Spirit" resurrected God's two special witnesses.
- [Revelation 12:15](#) tells us that "the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood". Here we see Satan create a miraculous flood to try and kill all Jews who serve God, and fled at God's command, during the "great tribulation".
- [Revelation 12:16](#) tells us that "And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth". Here we see that God creates a miraculous split in the surface of the Earth to foil Satan's plan.

Promises.

- [Revelation 1:3](#) says: "Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand". Pay attention to the word "and" in the phrase "and keep those things which are written therein". Most people who express interest in this book want to avoid the curses in it and / or receive the blessings found in it but they are not willing to do that phrase. Lots of people want to 'claim' promises made in the Bible while ignoring God's requirements for receiving those promises. Such attitudes come from people believing "doctrines of devils" ([1Timothy 4:1](#)).
- [Revelation 1:4-6](#) tells us many things which "Jesus Christ" has done for the saved including "made us kings and priests unto God and his Father". However, saved people who are not doing their part in their ongoing personal relationship with our "Lord Jesus Christ" do not receive the privileges and promises which are part of that relationship.
- [Revelation 1:17-18](#) does not appear to give us promises but it actually gives us assurances of promises which are dependent upon "resurrection". Please see the note in the Book Study for more details on this assurance.
- [Revelation 2:7](#) has two Steps which tell us what we need to do in order to receive the promise of this sentence. steps must be done in order to receive this promise.. The First Step is to spiritually "hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches;". This is not some personal revelation but truly hearing, and understanding, the spiritual message that God gives to all true churches. The Second Step is to "overcome", as explained in the next point. No one can truly "overcome" until after they truly do the First Step. And, the promised reward is not something which we can fully understand now because it will only be given after we get to Heaven. However, considering the types of rewards which God promises, it will be worth fulfilling the requirements and it will be forever.

- Several sentences in Revelation make promises to "He that overcometh". The specific sins mentioned have some variance but all require the saved person to have a lifestyle of "overcoming" the lusts of the flesh, the way of the world and the doctrines of devils. These specific sentences are:
 - a. [Revelation 2:7](#) says: "To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God". This is a promise of future reward when someone gets to Heaven ("in the midst of the paradise of God"). However, in order to receive it, the person must be saved and must "overcome" the lusts of the flesh, the way of the world and the doctrines of devils.
 - b. [Revelation 2:11](#) says: "He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death". The saved who truly "overcometh" (the lusts of the flesh, the way of the world and the doctrines of devils) can have assurance that they will not go to Hell nor to the "lake of fire".
 - c. [Revelation 2:17](#) says: "to him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it". Receiving this promise requires the saved person to truly "overcometh" (the lusts of the flesh, the way of the world and the doctrines of devils) and to fight against the doctrine of '*Easy Believism*'.
 - d. [Revelation 2:26-27](#) promises that "he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end" will return with our "Lord Jesus Christ" to help rule it during the 1,000 years reign of "Christ". One of the big lies which is preached today is that anyone who makes a religious profession can '*claim*' this promise while they refuse to fulfill the requirement to "overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end".
 - e. [Revelation 2:28](#) promises that our "Lord Jesus Christ" will "give the morning star" to those who return with Him to rule this world.
 - f. [Revelation 3:5](#) promises that "He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels". This particular sentence causes problems because people claim that we can lose our salvation since this sentence says that our "Lord Jesus Christ" will "blot out (someone's) name out of the book of life" if they do not fulfill the requirements of this sentence. But that claim goes against many Bible promises which are the basis of the doctrine called "everlasting salvation". In addition, [1Timothy 2:4](#) says: "Who ("God our Saviour") will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth". The acceptable explanation is that God '*pencils in*' everyone's name at conception. He makes that entry permanent when they accept "Lord Jesus Christ" as their personal "Lord". He "blots out (their) name out of the book of life" when it becomes obvious that they will never be saved. This explanation reconciles all of the various Bible references and I have never heard any other explanation which reconciles all related references.
 - g. [Revelation 3:12](#) promises that "he that overcometh" will have a permanent position in "the new Jerusalem".
 - h. [Revelation 3:21](#) says: "To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne". This is a promise to return and rule on this Earth with "Christ" during His 1,000 years reign.
 - i. [Revelation 12:11](#) tells us that certain saved people "overcame him (Satan) by the blood of the Lamb". The sentence before that tells us what God provided so that they could "overcome". They had to:
 - i. Accept true Biblical "salvation"
 - ii. Use God's "strength" and not rely on their own
 - iii. Receive the character of God ("the kingdom of our God") as their own character while alive
 - iv. And, they had to let "the power of his Christ" show through their physical life so that they became true Biblical "Christians".
 - j. [Revelation 21:7](#) promises that "He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son". In order to truly receive the character of God ("be my son"), and to inherit all of the spiritual promises, the saved person must truly have a lifestyle of "overcoming".
 - k. Please also see the note for [2Peter 2:19](#) about the word "overcome" and links to other places in the New Testament where this word is used and the doctrines attached to it.
- [Revelation 2:10](#) says: "Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life". Receiving the "crown of life" requires the saved person to "Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer" with our sentence only naming a couple of things that true servants of God can suffer for His name.
- [Revelation 2:14-16](#) says that our "Lord Jesus Christ" will fight against the people who preach a doctrine which excuses living for the lusts of the flesh. These sentences promise judgment from God ("will fight against them with the sword of my mouth") against anyone who follows that doctrine.

- [Revelation 2:22](#) promises that God will "cast (them that commit adultery with preachers who preach excuses for sins) into a bed into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds".
- [Revelation 2:23](#) promises: "I will kill her children with death". That is, the people who follow doctrines which excuse sin will see their "children" and followers sent to Hell and the "lake of fire" ("I will kill").
- [Revelation 2:23](#) says the same as [2Corinthians 5:10-11](#). The two saying the same thing make it part of God's law which can not be changed. That is, our "Lord Jesus Christ" says that He "searcheth the reins and hearts" and that He will: "give unto every one of you according to your works". That is, our "works" will be used to reveal our attitudes towards God ("the reins and hearts") and, based upon context, those saved people who follow a life of pursuing the lusts of the flesh, the way of the world and the doctrines of devils will be punished at "the judgment seat of Christ".
- [Revelation 2:24](#) promises that our "Lord Jesus Christ" will: "put upon you none other burden" to people who are surrounded by the prior doctrines but still "have not known the depths of Satan". That is; they refuse to personally sin in spite of being told that there will be no punishment for doing those sins.
- [Revelation 2:26-27](#) also promises that "I will give him the morning star". That is: they will have an ongoing personal relationship with our "Lord Jesus Christ" through His role as "the morning star".
- [Revelation 3:3](#) warns that our "Lord Jesus Christ" will bring sudden judgment without warning for saved people who continue in sin and refuse to truly Biblically "repent".
- [Revelation 3:4](#) promises that saved people who "have not defiled their garments", in spite of being in a church which excuses a life of sin, "shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy".
- [Revelation 3:7-8](#) says that our "Lord Jesus Christ" has "set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it" "for" "thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name". This is a personal ("thou") promise that can be '*claimed*' by any saved person who "hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name" in spite of any and all weaknesses ("thou hast a little strength").
- [Revelation 3:9](#) promises that our "Lord Jesus Christ" will make the preachers and teachers of false doctrines ("them of the synagogue of Satan") to "come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee". I assume that this will be at the "judgment seat of Christ", for many reasons, but can not doctrinally say when this promise will be fulfilled.
- [Revelation 3:10](#) promises that saved people who "have kept the word of my patience" will not go through the "great tribulation". It does not say that other saved people will go through it but these saved people have the comfort of this promise while saved, but carnal, people will not have that assurance. In addition, [Revelation 3:11](#) says that saved people can lose their "crown" (the promise to return with "Christ" for His 1,000 years reign). if we do not "hold that fast which thou hast".
- [Revelation 3:11](#) is one of four places where we read: "I come quickly". Every one of those references promise a different blessing to the saved people who fulfill the particular requirement. This reference promises a "crown" to those saved people who "hold that fast which thou hast".
- [Revelation 3:16](#) says that our "Lord Jesus Christ" will personally ("thee") "spew out of my mouth" every saved person who is personally "lukewarm". In my experience, all such saved people are looking forward to receiving '*a mansion right next door to Peter and an eternity of bliss*', even while they refuse to even learn what is required in order to receive those promises.
- [Revelation 3:19](#) says: "As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent". This is a promise that our "Lord Jesus Christ" will "rebuke and chasten" the truly saved who are living in sin. [Hebrews 12:8](#) says: "But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons". Many people who claim to be saved, but live in sin, complain because '*bad things happen to them*'. In some cases, they are truly saved and our "Lord Jesus Christ" is keeping this promise and trying to get them to truly Biblically "repent". In other cases, the people are truly lost and only reaping the results of their sinful lifestyle. And, in a few cases, the people are truly saved and serving God and God is putting them into a situation where it is obvious that they can not get themselves out of it. In those cases, God is preparing them to receive a miracle in their life.
- [Revelation 3:20](#) says: "Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me". Although this verse is often preached for salvation, the context makes it clear that it is truly a promise to saved people. This is a promise of personal fellowship, after salvation, if we truly receive our "Lord Jesus Christ" in an ongoing personal relationship. He will not force Himself on us. Even as saved people, we need to keep opening the door of fellowship.
- [Revelation 3:21](#) says: "To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne". This is a promise to return with "Christ" to rule

with Him for 1,000 years. However, we need to accept that God limits this promise to "him that overcometh". This is 'a life-style of overcoming the temptations from the lusts of the flesh, the doctrines of devils and the ways of the world'.

- [Revelation 6:11](#) has a promise given to "the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held" during the "great tribulation". This is not given to other saved people in heaven.
- [Revelation 13:10](#) promises that God will make sure that everyone will 'reap what they sow'.
- [Revelation 14:13](#) is a particular promise which is limited to "tribulation martyrs". However, without going into the other less explicit promises, we see similar promises to all true "martyrs".
- [Revelation 16:15](#) promises blessings that that saved people will not "walk naked" if they pay attention, expect our "Lord Jesus Christ" to show up with no prior notice, and "keepeth his garments" ('stay spiritually clean').
- [Revelation 19:9](#) promises blessings to saved people who serve God's kingdom in this life and are "called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb".
- [Revelation 20:6](#) promises blessings to saved people who are part of "the first resurrection". It separates them from the lost and saved who are part of the second "resurrection". It also promises special blessings to these saved people and tells us that "on such the second death hath no power".
- [Revelation 20:6](#) also promises that the saved people, who are part of "the first resurrection", "shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years". People who truly serve God are given assurances which are denied to saved people who refuse to serve God.
- [Revelation 21:6](#) says: "I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely". This promise is for this life. Please see the detailed Note for the explanation of this sentence.
- [Revelation 21:7](#) says: "He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son". This promise can only be received in this life. Please see the detailed Note for the explanation of this sentence.
- [Revelation 21:8](#) promises damnation to "the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars".
- [Revelation 22:6](#) is one of four places where we read: "I come quickly". Every one of those references promise a different blessing to the saved people who fulfill the particular requirement. This reference promises that people will be blessed if they have a lifestyle of "keeping the sayings of the prophecy of this book".
- [Revelation 22:7](#) says: "blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book". Lots of people like to 'claim' this promise. However, the word "keepeth" means; 'a lifestyle of keeping'. Most saved people don't even understand "the prophecy of this book", much less have 'a lifestyle of keeping them'.
- [Revelation 22:12](#) is one of four places where we read: "I come quickly". Every one of those references promise a different blessing to the saved people who fulfill the particular requirement. This reference promises that people will be blessed "according as his work shall be".

Prophecies.

- [Revelation 1:1-2](#) says: the entire book of Revelation is prophecy. However, [Revelation 10:4](#) says: "And when the seven thunders had uttered their voices, I was about to write: and I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered, and write them not". Thus, there are future events which were not revealed. In spite of what many people claim, this book is not about many revelations but is about a single revelation that "Jesus Christ" is "Lord" of all. If a future event did not reveal His "Lordship", then John was told to not write it down. Therefore, all future events which are revealed in this book are revealed for the purpose of letting men know that our "Lord Jesus Christ" is "Lord" of all.
- It should be obvious that there are far more detail prophecies than what are listed below. This Study only provides a summary of the prophecies found within each chapter. The reader can use the links provided to go the Detailed Studies for each chapter if they desire to know the details of a particular chapter.
- [Revelation 1:7](#) says: "Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him". This is not the Rapture because, at that time, "every eye shall see" only dead bodies dropping to the ground as the souls and spirits of the truly saved abandon these corrupt bodies. No, this prophecy is about the 'Second Coming'. While most of the things

reported in this book are in a time sequence, not all are. Thus, we have a summary statement then John returns to earlier events in time to provide more details. Please also see the [Prophecy Section](#), of the Significant Gospel Events Study, for more Bible references and links to this event.

- [Revelation 1:8](#) tells us that our "Lord Jesus Christ" shall return and that He will return as "the Almighty". This sentence also gives us several secondary titles for our "Lord Jesus Christ", which tell us more about His character.
- [Revelation 1:10](#) says: "What thou seest, write in a book, and send it (to God's people)". However, [Revelation 10:4](#) says: "And when the seven thunders had uttered their voices, I was about to write: and I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered, and write them not". Thus, true prophecy comes from God and God decides what is revealed and what is not revealed.
- [Revelation 1:12-16](#) gives us a description of our "Lord Jesus Christ" that John saw. That description must, obviously, be understood symbolically and spiritually. It is a simple example of a principal which applies to all prophecy. All prophecy must be understood symbolically and spiritually. However, like parables, God deliberately leads the lost and the carnal into errors. Therefore, there is a lot of wrong interpretation of Bible prophecy. We must look at the life of the person giving the interpretation and see if the true power of God is in their life. Are they willing to suffer in the flesh in order to serve God or does their life show evidence of pursuing the way of the world and the lusts of the flesh?
- [Revelation 1:19-20](#) tell us that John was told to write prophecy and part of the symbolism, used in Revelation, was explained in those sentences. We need to be aware that devil-motivated men will try to give us wrong interpretations of prophecies. As a result, we need to reject all interpretations given by anyone who goes against an interpretation literally provided by "the word of God".
- [Revelation 2:5](#) says: "Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent". In this sentence, the word "candlestick" is applied to the church. However, it can also be applied to ministries, churches and individuals. Our "Lord Jesus Christ" did not have John write this only to that church but also had it preserved unto today to provide a warning to all churches which acted in a similar manner. The church of Ephesus "left their first love" because they mixed doctrinal error with truth. England was given an empire which spanned the world, when they took the Gospel to the world, but then lost it because they also "left their first love" because they mixed doctrinal error with truth. Today, America is the mightiest nation on Earth because they took the Gospel to the world. However, they also have "left their first love" because they mixed doctrinal error with truth. Thus, we should not be surprised when God brings judgment upon America. In addition, we have seen this same judgment applied to ministries, churches and individuals through history since the start of the '*Church Age*'.
- [Revelation 3:10](#) says: that the purpose of the "great tribulation" is: "to try them that dwell upon the earth". Since the physical life of truly saved people, from the instant of their salvation until death, fulfills the same purpose, there is no need for them to go through the "great tribulation".
- The word "hereafter" tells us that the sentence it is in is giving us a prophecy of the future. The sentence for [Revelation 4:1](#) gives us the links to every place where this word is used in "the word of God". Please see that note to access those prophecies.
- [Revelation 6:10](#) says: "And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held: And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?" There is a disagreement about the interpretation of this sentence. The Treasury of Scripture Knowledge says: '*This seal seems a prediction of the terrible persecution of the church under Dioclesian and Maximian, from A.D. 270 to 304, which lasted longer, and was far more bloody, than any or all by which it was preceded, whence it was called "the era of the martyrs."*'. Some claim that it is an application for the "great tribulation". However, the next sentence makes it clear that this sentence does not apply to people who come out of the "great tribulation".
- [Revelation 7:15-17](#) says: "Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple: and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat. For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes." There is a disagreement about the application of this sentence. Some claim that these promises are to all saved as soon as they get to Heaven. However, the prior sentence says: "These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb". And, our quote

starts with the word "Therefore". As a result, these promises are limited to the people whom John identified within the context, which are martyrs and '*tribulation saints*'. Please see the Book Study for more about these people as these particular promises are limited to them.

- Several places in Revelation, starting in [Revelation 4:9](#), we read that the "four beasts", "angels", "twenty four elders" and "saints" "give glory, honor, praise, blessings" and more to God. That is what the saved are prophesied to experience when they get to Heaven.
- [Revelation 5](#) tells us about the "book", which is the ownership of the Earth, and only "the Lamb" was found "worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof". This is when the "Son of God" starts to take ownership of Earth from Satan. The results of His doing so will be as John heard: "the voice of many angels round about the throne and the beasts and the elders: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands...very creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, heard I saying, Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, be unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever. And the four beasts said, Amen. And the four and twenty elders fell down and worshipped him that liveth for ever and ever".
- [Revelation 5:13](#) seems to be the fulfillment of [Isaiah 45:23](#), [Romans 14:11](#) and [Philippians 2:10](#), although it is commonly taught that those verses won't be fulfilled until later.
- [Revelation 6](#) gives us all of the prophecies of what happens when "the Lamb" "opens the seals of the book" mentioned in the prior chapter.
- [Revelation 7](#) tells us about angels "sealing" "an hundred and forty and four thousand" '*virgin male Jews*' to be witnesses for God during the "great tribulation". Be careful about what you believe about this chapter because there is a lot of doctrines from devils perverting the truth of this chapter. This chapter also tells us the reward given to those "hundred and forty and four thousand" and there are liars claiming that these rewards can be '*claimed*' by other people including people who devote their lives to serving sin and devils.
- [Revelation 8](#) tells us that when "he (the Lamb) had opened the seventh seal" that the first four of "seven trumpets" were sounded by "seven angels" and the chapter also gives the prophecies related to those "trumpets".
- [Revelation 9](#) tells us the prophecies resulting from the next two of the "seven trumpets" being sounded by "seven angels". This is when the worst devils are literally loosed from Hell and allowed to rampage on Earth. In addition, [Revelation 9:6](#) says: "And in those days shall men seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them".
- [Revelation 10](#) tells us the prophecies resulting from the last of the "seven trumpets" being sounded by "seven angels". This is when the "seven thunders utter their voices". We are told that the result will be: "the mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets". We are not told the direct results of the "seven thunders". However, we are told that John was commanded to "Go and take the little book which is open in the hand of the angel which standeth upon the sea and upon the earth...and eat it up". The result of John doing that is prophecies about other things which are given in the remaining chapters of Revelation.
- [Revelation 11](#) tells us about God's "two witnesses", who will be prophets. There are differing opinions as to who they will be but most agree that they will be prophets whom God to Heaven alive but will be returned to Earth for this ministry and so that they, also, will experience physical death. Our chapter includes the reaction in heaven and on Earth when their ministry is completed.
- [Revelation 12](#) tells us about a "woman", who, symbolically, is the mother of God's people, the Jews. However, because of the symbolism, some people claim that she represents someone else. In addition, our chapter tells us about a "dragon", who is symbolic for Satan. Our chapter tells us that he is thrown out of Heaven and fights against God's angels and loses, and he tries to kill the women and all of her children, who are the Jews.
- [Revelation 13](#) tells us about the "beast" which had "seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns". He "blasphemy against God", "made war with the saints, and overcame them" and received worship from people "whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world". Our chapter also tells us about a second "beast" and how he gave life to an image which he made everyone worship. This is where we read: "Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six" Please see the note for [Matthew 10:30](#) about the word "number". The functional definition for this word is: '*Used to count things. Also used symbolically in the Bible*'. The note from The Morrish Bible Dictionary is extensive and includes '*Numbers are used as Symbols*'. Be very careful about the use of This information. Much doctrinal error and division has been caused in God's church by preachers claiming that the symbolical meaning of numbers provided the single interpretation of "the word of God" and that the symbolic meaning actually corrected "the word of

God". All symbolic meanings provide the many applications, must be understood within the context where they are found, and can vary from one application to another. Be careful to not use these symbols beyond their God-given purpose.

- [Revelation 14](#) tells us the Gospel preached by the angels after the "hundred forty and four thousand" died and went to Heaven. Their message included death and eternal torment to all who worshipped the "beast and his image" or who received his mark in their forehead or hand.
- [Revelation 15](#) tells us about people worshipping God in the temple of Heaven after they died during the "great tribulation" because they had "gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name". And, while they worshipped, "seven angels having the seven last plagues; for in them is filled up the wrath of God" came out of the temple to spread the plagues while people in Heaven worshipped God.
- [Revelation 15:4](#) gives a prophecy of everyone truly "fearing the Lord" during the 1,000 years reign of "Christ".
- [Revelation 16](#) tells us about "the seven angels...pouring out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth". Here we read that God sends the message of: "It is done". Everything was prepared for the great battle at "Armageddon".
- [Revelation 16:17](#) tells us that God said: "It is done". We still have the war and the throwing of devils in prison and the '*Sheep and Goat Judgment*'. However, at this point, God is declaring that all of these things will happen and that there is nothing that Satan, nor any other being, can do to stop God from fulfilling His prophecies exactly as He said he would do.
- [Revelation 17](#) tells us about "the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters". Many claim that it is the Roman Catholic Church. It is actually the One World Religion, which the Roman Catholic Church is part of. It rides "the beast...which hath the seven heads and ten horns". That "beast" is the devil controlled government. Here we see the uniting of government and religion. Our chapter also tells us: "These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful". One devil motivated lie is that all saved will return with "Christ" to rule and reign with Him. Our sentence tells us that only those saved people whom God judges to have all three attributed of; "called, and chosen, and faithful" will be allowed to return with "Christ".
- [Revelation 18](#) tells us about the judgment of spiritual "Babylon" and the reaction of lost and carnal men to the destruction of it. Our chapter ends by telling us why it was destroyed when it says: "in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth".
- [Revelation 19](#) starts with telling us about everyone in Heaven worshipping God for the victory over Satan and his armies. Then we read about "the marriage of the Lamb" and His "bride". After that, we read about "the Son of God" and what he is like as He returns to Earth and conquers. We are told that: "the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him...were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone". Then we are told that: "the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which sword proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh. ". One important thing to pay attention to is that people in Heaven worshipped God for finishing the war even before He returned and did it. This is true Biblical "faith". We must worship God for accomplishing whatever he will do even before He starts to act.
- [Revelation 20](#) tells us about the 1,000 years reign of "Christ". It starts with the judgment of Satan. He was "bound a thousand years...in the bottomless pit". After that time, he was "loosed out of his prison, And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom is as the sand of the sea". These are the descendants of those people who were allowed to go into the 1,000 year reign of "Christ" in their corrupt human bodies. The end result of this addition rebellion by Satan will be: "the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever". After that, we have the "great white throne" judgment when all lost people will be "cast into the lake of fire". "This is the second death". But, before that, each will be "judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works". That judgment is to determine their level of torment in "the lake of fire". Our chapter ends with: "And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire".
- [Revelation 21](#) tells us about the "new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea". It also tells us that "God shall wipe away all tears from their (the saved) eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away". Be careful because there are several very popular lies which perverts

this truth. God can not "wipe away all tears from their eyes" if the saved in Heaven do not have tears. The most popular lie claims: '*no tears in heaven and that all who profess to be saved will be in eternal bliss as soon as they die*'. Our chapter makes it clear that that is a promise for the "new heaven and a new earth", which does not happen until after the saved, of the '*Church Age*', have been in Heaven for at least 1,007 years. Our chapter also identifies all who will be cast "into the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone". Then it describes the new "holy Jerusalem".

- [Revelation 22:6](#) tells us "These sayings are faithful and true: and the Lord God of the holy prophets sent his angel to shew unto his servants the things which must shortly be done". This tells us that ALL prophecy, found in "the word of God", is "faithful and true". In addition, [2Timothy 3:16-17](#) says: "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works". That means that all of these prophecies are backed by the character of God. Any perversion of them is an attack on the character of God.
- [Revelation 22](#) tells us about living in the new "holy Jerusalem". It also tells us that our "Lord Jesus Christ" says: "Behold, I come quickly: blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book...and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be". After that, we have an invitation and a final warning of: "For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book". Our book ends with: "Even so, come, Lord Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen". As written earlier in this Book Study, it is a single "revelation" (not many) and it reveals that our "Lord Jesus Christ" is "Lord of lords and King of kings".
- [Revelation 22:16](#) says: "I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches." This tells us that our "Lord Jesus Christ" is the true author. The "angel" is: '*the messenger*' who has a job to deliver the original message without altering it in any way. Think about if someone calls you on the phone and the function of the phone in that conversation. That is the function of God's '*the messenger*' in delivering this Revelation. And, the '*the messenger*' includes John and all of the "angels" who delivered the messages and sights to John for him to relay to us.

Resurrection from the Dead.

- We read about the resurrection of the dead, in: [Daniel 12:2](#); [Matthew 22:23-32](#); [Matthew 24:31](#); [Matthew 25:1-13](#); [Matthew 27:52-53](#); [Mark 12:18-27](#); [Luke 14:14](#); [20:27-38](#); [John 5:21](#); [John 5:25](#); [John 5:28-29](#); [John 6:39-40](#); [John 6:44](#); [John 6:54](#); [John 11:23-25](#); [John 14:19](#); [Acts 2:26-31](#); [Acts 4:1-2](#); [Acts 24:15](#); [Acts 17:18](#); [Acts 17:32](#); [Acts 23:6](#); [Acts 23:8](#); [Acts 24:14-15](#); [Acts 26:6-8](#); [Romans 4:16-21](#); [Romans 8:10-11](#); [Romans 8:19](#); [Romans 21-23](#); [1Corinthians 6:1](#); [1Corinthians 6:14](#); [1Corinthians 15:12-32](#); [1Corinthians 15:35-57](#); [2Corinthians 4:14](#); [2Corinthians 5:1-5](#); [Philippians 3:10-11](#); [Philippians 3:21](#); [1Thessalonians 4:14](#); [1Thessalonians 4:16](#); [2Thessalonians 1:10](#); [2Timothy 2:18](#); [Hebrews 6:2](#); [Hebrews 11:19](#); [Hebrews 11:35](#); [Revelation 1:18](#); [Revelation 20:4-6](#); [Revelation 20:13](#).
- Eternally dead: In [John 5:29](#) "Jesus" said "they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life", which matches [Revelation 21:1-5](#). In [John 5:29](#) Jesus also said "and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation" The eternal dead are raised and cast into the "Lake of Fire" according to [Revelation 20:11-15](#). (Also see [Revelation 19:20](#) and [Revelation 20:10](#); [Revelation 20:13](#).)

Return of Christ - Second coming.

- [Daniel 7:13-14](#); [Matthew 10:23](#); [Matthew 16:28](#); [Matthew 19:28](#); [Matthew 24:27](#); [Matthew 24:29-31](#); [Matthew 24:36-44](#); [Matthew 25:13](#); [Matthew 25:31](#); [Matthew 26:64](#); [Mark 8:31-9:1](#); [Mark 13:26-27](#); [Mark 13:34-37](#); [Mark 14:62](#); [Luke 9:26](#); [Luke 12:40](#); [Luke 17:24](#); [Luke 17:26](#); [Luke 17:30](#); [Luke 18:8](#); [Luke 21:27](#); [Luke 21:36](#); [John 5:27](#); [1Thessalonians 1:10](#) and [Revelation 1:7](#) are many of the verses which speak of the return of "Jesus" as ruling "Lord" (Also called the '*Second Coming of Christ*' and the

start of the '1,000 years reign of Christ'. Many commentators also name other places which talk about the Second Coming of our "Lord".

- "Jesus Christ" will be made ruling "Lord". The phrases "King of kings" and "Lord of lords" are the application of this truth when they are applied to "Jesus Christ". We find the forms of phrase: "King of kings", applied to "Jesus Christ", in: [Daniel 2:37](#); [1Timothy 6:15](#); [Revelation 17:14](#); [Revelation 19:16](#). We find the forms phrase of: "Lord of lords" in: [Psalms 136:3](#); [1Timothy 6:15](#); [Revelation 17:14](#); [Revelation 19:16](#). These reference tell us that "Jesus Christ" will be made ruling "Lord".
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Prophecy Fulfilled.

- Many places in the Old Testament we are told that our [Saviour](#) would be "of this man's [king Davids] seed". We see that prophecy in [2Samuel 7:12](#); [Psalms 89:35-37](#); [Psalms 132:11](#); [Isaiah 7:13](#); [Isaiah 11:1](#), [Isaiah 11:10](#); [Jeremiah 23:5-6](#); [Jeremiah 33:15-17](#); [Amos 9:11](#); [Matthew 1:1](#); [Matthew 21:9](#); [Matthew 22:42](#); [Luke 1:31-33](#), [Luke 1:69](#); [John 7:42](#); [Acts 2:30](#); [Romans 1:3](#); [Revelation 22:16](#).
 - The phrase "I am he", meaning that "Jesus" was the promised "Messiahs" or "Christ" is found in [John 8:24](#), [John 8:28](#); [13:19](#); [John 18:5](#), [6](#), [John 18:8](#); [Revelation 1:18](#) and [Revelation 2:23](#). The phrase also occurs elsewhere meaning something else, but in each of the references listed here, "Jesus" is claiming to be the promised "Messiahs" or "Christ". We also see "Jesus" saying the same, or similar, things in [15:24](#); [Matthew 27:43](#); [Luke 4:43](#); [Luke 21:8](#); [22:70](#); and [John 4:26](#); [John 7:28-29](#); [John 8:12](#), [John 8:23](#); [John 9:4-5](#); [John 11:25](#) and [John 19:21](#). Please see the note for [Luke 22:70](#) to get a better explanation of this truth.
 - There is reason to believe that [Revelation 6:15-17](#) and [Revelation 9:6](#) will fulfill the prophecies of [Matthew 24:15-22](#) and [Luke 23:27-31](#). Please see the notes for this reference in the Book Study on Luke for the explanation.
 - In [Revelation 5:8-14](#) we read about "Jesus Christ", God's "Lamb", receive the fulfillment of the prophecy, from [John 7:5](#); that "Jesus Christ" would be "glorified".
 - In [Acts 2:16-21](#), Peter quoted from [Joel 2:28-32](#), which included the phrase: "your young men shall see visions". We see this fulfilled in: [Acts 9:10](#); [Acts 9:11-12](#); [Acts 9:9-19](#) (Peter reported this vision to the church in [Acts 11:4-6](#)); [Acts 16:9-10](#); [Acts 18:9-10](#); [Acts 26:19-20](#); [2Corinthians 12:1](#) and [Revelation 19:17](#).
 - In [Revelation 12:1](#) we see the fulfillment of Joseph's prophetic dream which was reported in [Genesis 37:9](#).
 - In [Revelation 14:19](#) we see the fulfillment of the prophecy by Jacob saying that our "Lord Jesus Christ" would be a descendent from Judah and that what is reported in Revelation would come to pass.
 - In [Revelation 16](#) we read about the fulfillment of the prophecy given in [Zechariah 14:1-5](#). In particular, [Revelation 16:18](#) fulfills [Zechariah 14:5](#). It also fulfillsthe prophecy of "Jesus" in [Matthew 24:7](#) and [Mark 13](#) and [Luke 21](#).
 - [Revelation 19:15](#) says that our "Lord Jesus Christ" will fulfill the prophecies of [Psalms 2:9](#); [Revelation 2:27](#) and [Revelation 12:5](#) when He arrives on the Earth and during His 1,000 years reign as "Christ".
 - [Revelation 22:18-19](#) promises a curse on anyone who alters "the word of God".
 - [Revelation 22:20](#) is one of four places where we read: "I come quickly". Every one of those references promise a different blessing to the saved people who fulfill the particular requirement. This reference promises that our opportunities to lay up treasures in Heaven will be cut off suddenly.
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Minor Titles of the Son of God found in Revelation

- Almighty: [Revelation 1:8](#). Please also see the [Words Index](#) about this word.
- Alpha and Omega: [Revelation 1:8](#); [Revelation 1:11](#); [Revelation 21:6](#); [Revelation 22:13](#).
- Amen: [Revelation 3:14](#).

- Beginning: [Colossians 1:18](#). Please also see the [Words Index](#) about this word.
Beginning and end: [Revelation 22:13](#)
Beginning of the creation of God: [Revelation 3:14](#).
- Begotten: Please also see the [Words Index](#) about this word.
Begotten of the Father: [John 1:14](#)
First Begotten: [Hebrews 1:6](#); [Revelation 1:5](#)
Only Begotten: [John 1:18](#); [John 3:16](#); [John 3:18](#); [Hebrews 11:17](#); [1John 4:9](#).
- bright and morning star: [Revelation 22:16](#).
- Faithful and true witness: [Revelation 3:14](#) tells us that our "Lord Jesus Christ" is "the faithful and true witness". [Revelation 19:11](#) tells us that His title is "Faithful and True" and [Revelation 22:6](#) tells us that the words of the prophecy which reveals "Jesus Christ" as "Lord" of all are also "faithful and true". Please also see the [Words Index](#) about the words "faith" and "true" and "witness".
- First and last: [Revelation 1:8](#).
- Husband: [Isaiah 54:5](#); [2Corinthians 11:2](#); [Revelation 21:2](#). Please also see the [Words Index](#) about this word.
- Lion of the tribe of Judah: [Revelation 5:5](#). Please also see the [Words Index](#) about the word "Judah".
- Morning star: [2Peter 1:19](#); [Revelation 22:16](#).
- Prince: Please also see the [Words Index](#) about this word.
Prince and Saviour: [Acts 5:31](#)
Prince of life: [Acts 3:15](#)
Prince of peace: [Isaiah 9:6](#)
Prince of the kings of the earth: [Revelation 1:5](#).
- [Revelation 1:11](#) uses a capitalized word "Revelation". That makes it a formal name for the "Son of God". Other revealed prophecies, or mysteries, use a lower-case word. This book of the Bible tells us how the "Son of God" reveals the character, power and judgment of God.
- Root: Please see the [Word Index](#) about this word.
Root of David: [Revelation 22:16](#)
Root of Jesse: [Isaiah 11:10](#); [Romans 15:12](#).
- Ruler: Please also see the [Words Index](#) about this word.
Ruler in Israel: [Micah 5:2](#)
Ruler of the kings of the earth: [Revelation 1:5](#).
- Truth: Please see the [Word Study on Truth](#); [John 14:6](#) and [Revelation 19:11](#).
- Witness: [Isaiah 55:4](#); [Revelation 1:5](#); [Revelation 3:14](#). Please also see the [Words Index](#) about this word.
- Word: Please also see the [Words Index](#) about this word.
Word of God: [John 1:1](#); [John 1:14](#); [Revelation 19:13](#)
Word of life: [1John 1:1](#).

Messages.

An Open Door

Revelation 3:7-13

“And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write; These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth; I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name. Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee. Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth. Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown. Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.”

Revelation 1:11 says: "Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea."

Sometimes we hear something repeated so long that we believe it is true. Sometimes we hear that a passage in the Bible means something had hear that thing repeated so much that we believe what we are told instead of what is actually written. But God wants us to believe what He actually wrote. This verse uses the word "are" which is a verb of ongoing existence for multiple entities. This verb does not say '*write to the church that exists now and to the church which will exist in 100 years, and to the one that will exist in 300 years and to the one that will exist in 2,000 years*'. It says to write to seven churches which all existed at the same time.

This claim that these seven churches represent seven church ages is an application of this section of Revelation and not the interpretation. I'm not going to argue if the application is right or wrong but I will say that a claim that an application is more important than what God actually wrote is wrong. In addition, people have tried to use this application before and have been proven wrong. For example, at one time England sent out missionaries and God expanded their empire until it was truthfully said that the sun never set on the Empire of England because it literally spanned the world. Then they stopped sending out missionaries and lost their empire. In the late 1800s preachers in England were preaching that it was the Laodicean Age and that the '*Rapture*' was imminent. They insisted that Hitler was '*the antichrist of Revelation*'. However, they were proven wrong.

While churches in England turned "lukewarm" and matched what Jesus Christ said to the church of Laodicea in Revelation, the churches in America matched what was written to the church of Philadelphia. Now that churches in America are turning "lukewarm" and matched what Jesus Christ said to the church of Laodicea in Revelation, the churches in the Philippines can match what was written to the church of Philadelphia. God has given an open door to the churches in the Philippines and no man nor any devil can close it. However, Satan is trying to convince the Filipinos to not send anyone through the open door.

Preachers in the Philippines have been convinced to preach that it is the Laodicean Age and that the '*Rapture*' was imminent. This type of preaching encourages people to stay where they are at and wait for

the '*Rapture*'. People might be encouraged to do a little at home, but they are not encouraged to take the gospel around the world. What's more, people are encouraged to believe the reports from preachers instead of looking at what is true around them.

I've visited a lot of churches in America during the last few years. Without saying what is wrong with those churches, I will say that the churches in the Philippines, and in other parts of the world, are totally different. Americans have convinced many people that the entire world has become "lukewarm" but the reality is that that claim is false for many places in the world. Many Americans claim that what is true for them must be true for all of the world. However, the world is a lot bigger than America and what is true for most of America is not true for many places in the world. Therefore, instead of believing reports out of America that the whole world is the Laodicean Age, Filipinos need to look at what is true right now for churches in the Philippines and in many other places within the world.

1. Judge true judgment: Most Filipino churches are not "lukewarm"
"These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth; I know thy works:" ([Revelation 3:17-18](#)). The Bible teaches that we can know someone's "works" by the results that they produce. The Bible also says that God judges our "works" and people with different "works" should expect different blessings from God. If your church produces different "works" then expect to receive different blessings from God.
 - a. "Lukewarm" churches claim to serve God while they are really concerned with their own physical comfort. The people attending services are mainly retired people or people working on their own future retirement. Most of their young people have left the church because they say that the members are hypocrites who claim to love God while serving their own fleshly desires. Are most of your members old worn out people or do you have a lot of young and energetic people?
 - b. "Lukewarm" churches are reducing the amount spent on missions while they increase spending on their home facilities. They often decide to redecorate their church buildings even though there are empty seats in almost every service and often fill less than 30% of their seats. If we examined you budget for the last year, is your church's mission budget getting more of the money available or less? What would God say is the motivation for any spending done on the home church facilities?
 - c. "Lukewarm" churches are full of people who brag about the number of missionaries that they support but have no idea who the missionaries are, have no idea where they are or what they are doing. The members have no idea how much support is sent to each missionary and they do not pray for their missionaries. What percentage of your members are enough aware of the mission program to know more than just how many the church claims to support?
 - d. "Lukewarm" churches have eliminated their visitation and soul winning ministries or have very few members participating. Often, they have staff members who rarely participate. Is this true for your church?
 - e. "Lukewarm" churches have few baptisms and can report only a few professions, if any, each week. How would God judge your efforts to reach the lost and to cause the saved to grow.
 - f. "Lukewarm" churches have poor attendance to Sunday School if they have not eliminated it all together.
 - g. "Lukewarm" churches have members who rarely visit other churches while they are traveling and most members refuse to even consider going on a mission trip or personally going to help a mission work even if the mission work is close by.
 - h. I believe that most Filipino pastors would have to say that their church does not match the description of a "lukewarm" church in most instances. Any points where their church does match the description the pastor probably should pray about fixing. However, we should agree that this description does not match most Filipino churches. Therefore, Filipinos should not expect to receive the same judgment from God as "Lukewarm" churches will receive.
2. Most Filipino churches have "works" that match "the Church in Philadelphia"

- a. The "Church in Philadelphia" existed at the same time as "the church of the Laodiceans". Therefore, if the churches in America match "the church of the Laodiceans", there is nothing to prevent Filipino churches matching "Church in Philadelphia" at the same time.
 - b. If Filipino churches match the works of "Church in Philadelphia" then they can expect to receive the judgment and blessings given to "Church in Philadelphia".
 - c. [Revelation 3:8](#) says: "thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name".
 - Many Filipino churches have little money and little opportunity for their members to earn a lot of money. In today's world, that translates to "little strength" in the physical world.
 - Many Filipino churches have "faith" in God. That translates to "a little strength" in the spiritual world. James 2:5 says: "Hearken, my beloved brethren, Hath not God chosen the poor of this world rich in faith, and heirs of the kingdom which he hath promised to them that love him?" Our receiving God's promises is not based upon our physical strength but based upon our having faith in His ability.
 - [Matthew 13:31-32](#) says: "Another parable put he (Jesus) forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is like to a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field: Which indeed is the least of all seeds: but when it is grown, it is the greatest among herbs, and becometh a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in the branches thereof." The Filipino people might have faith that is as small as "a grain of mustard seed" but if they will let God plant them in a mission field and grow their faith then they can have a ministry that becomes "a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in the branches thereof". That is: lost people will seek the ministry to be protected from the storms of this life and then the Filipino people can lead them to their own relationship with the Son of God.
 - Our reference also says "and hast kept my word". Based upon my personal experience, I can say that every church in America that left the KJV-1611 has turned to "doctrine of devils" and become "lukewarm" or "cold". Every church that I found which was still trying to serve God stuck to the KJV-1611. The KJV-1611 is 'the word that belongs to God' ("the word of God"). All of the other so-called translations are man-written bibles, which are 'the word that belongs to men'. You can know this by the copyright found inside of them. If Filipinos change from the KJV-1611 in English, or to any version in another language which disagrees with the KJV-1611, they can expect to be cut off from the blessings from God. However, the preachers and churches represented should all fit this description.
 - Our description continues with "and hast not denied my name". In the ten commandments we are told "Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain: for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain." (Exodus 20:7; Deuteronomy 5:11). Proverbs 30:9 tells us that claiming to be a "Christian" while not living like one is "take the name of my God in vain". Therefore, our last phrase is actually saying that the people of this church lived like Christ because they "hast not denied my name" by living for the world and the flesh.
3. Filipino churches need to claim the promises made to "the Church in Philadelphia"
- a. "behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it" ([Revelation 3:8](#)).
 - One of the main exports from the Philippines is people. They can go almost anywhere and take the Gospel, even where it is illegal to give out the Gospel. So long as they don't force the government to pay attention to them, they can preach the Gospel even in places like China, Vietnam and Brunei. Yes, they have to use wisdom when they do it, but they can do it. Americans in the same place are watched constantly and can not do the same thing as Filipinos. Race and nationality are not are not a barrier for many Filipinos and neither man nor devil can make them to be a barrier.
 - Filipinos are regarded as the low-class servants of the world. Unless they draw attention to themselves, they are ignored by most government people. Since they are regarded as servants, they are considered to not be worth hassling. Since they are

considered to be low-class, their bosses are considered to be not worth hassling. For the most part they are ignored. Riches and economic level are not a barrier for many Filipinos and neither man nor devil can make them to be a barrier. Even in more expensive countries they have to be paid enough to live there. Since Filipinos are used to living poor, they can only get a matching or better standard of living.

- Most Filipinos are raised speaking at least three languages. Learning a new language is easier for them than it is for most other types of People. For example, Tata was leading people to salvation in the Thai language within 6 months and passed his test for a missionary visa in less than 2 years where it takes most people at least 10 years. Language requirements are not a barrier for many Filipinos and neither man nor devil can make language to be a barrier.
 - Filipinos tend to be humble and friendly people. As such, they tend to make friends in other countries and cultures and not be as offensive as some people such as Americans. Yes, they can get homesick for familiar custom, and familiar foods, and familiar language and people who treat them with respect. But those things are not impossible to deal with and God promises greater eternal rewards for greater sacrifice. Therefore, Filipinos can deal with these things and if they focus on serving God and the promises of rewards, they can also deal with these sacrifices.
- b. "Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee." ([Revelation 3:9](#)).
- The Philippines are full of cults including the Catholic Church. They claim to be Christian but are not. Many saved have lost loved ones who are caught in these cults and their lies. However, this promise is that they will worship the true God as a result of the testimony of true Christians who go through the "open door". (That is what is meant by "I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee".) It may take a life-time but those who truly go to the mission field can "claim" this promise where people who refuse to go can not "claim" it.
- c. "Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth." ([Revelation 3:10](#)).
- Filipinos who are truly trusting God in faith ("hast kept the word of my patience") can expect God to keep them from a sinful and lustful lifestyle that is controlling much of the world. By avoiding that lifestyle they can avoid many of the problems that other people end up with. Filipinos who seek to become part of the people that they go to get caught in the same sins and problems as those people have. I have seen this in America and heard of the same in other places. Filipinos who concentrate on being missionaries can "claim" this promise.
- d. [Revelation 3:12](#) promises a special reward in the 1,000 years reign of Christ to all Filipinos who do this service and become one of these missionaries.
4. How Filipinos can participate.
- a. Send people to Bible School to be trained and sent out as pastors and pastor's wives.
 - b. Train Filipinos to be non-preacher missionaries. God has opened this door and you can't close it. Throughout all history and everywhere around to world young people have left the farm and towns to go to a city and to other countries to get a better job and what they see as a better life. You can't stop this. You can prepare your young people to work for the Lord as they scatter or you can refuse to prepare them. The results are up to you.
 - c. [Acts 11:19-21](#) 'The non-preachers were scattered by God. They won the lost and started Bible Studies in places like Antioch and did this before they received a preacher to be their pastor. Several other New Testament churches were also started by non-preachers leading Bible Studies such as the church at Rome.
 - d. [Ephesians 4:12](#) says that a pastor's main job is to cause the saved to grow up spiritually. If someone leaves your church for a job elsewhere, and you had the chance to train them but don't, you will answer to God for your failure. If you train them to be a soul winner and to be able to lead a Bible Study, then you have done your job as a pastor.

- e. In Paul's epistles we read how the churches which were started as mission works helped the Jerusalem Church financially. If you teach your people Biblical financial principals, and they see you training young people to be missionaries even while they work a job, eventually the young people that you send out should help support your work. If you don't teach them the financial principals or you are not training people to be missionaries then you can forget about God having them help you financially.
- f. Your young people are not going to start a Bible Study while they are away from home unless you give them training, experience and access to teaching material. We have a card here with the web addresses of sites which provide them with doctrinally sound teaching material. However, unless you have them teach a class while they are in your church they will not have the experience and will not feel confident enough to start a Bible Study away from home.
- g. On ljc1611kjv.com is a series of lessons on Godly Financial Principals. Some Filipinos have a lot of money but most are poor. Most Filipinos stay poor because they are taught to do things which keep them poor. For example, credit looks good but it is the way of the world to take money from the poor and middle class. If you want your people to eventually help support your ministry then you need to teach them Godly Biblical principles on handling money.

The bottom line is that God has given some people, including Filipinos, "an open door". Filipino churches can get God's blessings by participating in this "an open door". The churches can do so by preparing all church members to do the '*Great Commission*' no matter where God lets them go in this world. The churches need to lead their people by example. That example is to obey God's commandment and expect God to provide by whatever means God wants to use. That example includes stopping looking to America and accepting God's command for the Filipino churches to send missionaries to "the regions beyond" ([2Corinthians 10:16](#)).

King of Kings

1Timothy 6:14-15: *"That thou keep this commandment without spot, unrebukeable, until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ: Which in his times he shall shew, who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords"*

Revelation 17:14: *"These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful."*

Revelation 19:16: *"And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS."*

As I understand it, Thai people understand about spirits. Supposedly, one of the local religions claims that there are over 100 million gods. I do not dispute this claim. Many places in Thailand have god houses. There is much effort and expense made to appease some god so that the god will not hurt the people and so that it might protect the people from other gods. That is, these gods are not loving and kind but demand sacrifice and service under threat of harm.

I said that I agree because the Bible agrees with those claims about many spirits who claim to be gods. However, the Bible says that these gods are not true gods, because there is a true God who is more powerful than all of them put together. The Bible calls these other spirits devils. The Bible warns us that they claim many things which are not true and they do so because they want people to worship and serve them. However, when people worship and serve these lesser spirits, they are not learning about the one true God and are not worshipping and serving the one true God.

Now, I understand that many Thai people do not know about the Bible. It is the only book in the world that has detailed prophecy. In addition, all fulfilled prophecies have been fulfilled exactly as they were stated by the prophet.

Prophecy is telling what will happen in the future. Yes, there are books like what Nostradamus wrote, but his prophecies are general and abstract and can be interpreted many different ways. That is not true prophecy because it is not an exact statement of what will happen in the future. However, the Bible has specific prophecies such as the statement that God's Redeemer would be born from the lineage of king David and be born in Bethlehem of Judea and there is only one such city in all of the world.

The one true God gave this prophecy and dared all of the devils to work together and try to stop Him from fulfilling His prophecy. He gave them over 400 years to try. They tried to kill all of the descendants of king David, and once killed all of them but one, but they could not kill all of them. So, the devils made all of the descendants of king David move far away from Bethlehem of Judea. They figured that a baby can't be born in a city that's a long way away, especially if everyone walks. They also corrupted all of the government people so that they would not listen to the loving Creator God. However, when The Creator God wanted His Redeemer born, he made the corrupt king decide to add another tax. The government always wants more money. He also had the king demand that everyone go to the city of their ancestors to be taxed so that no one could avoid the tax. That is how the mother was in Bethlehem of Judea and God's Redeemer was born exactly where God said that He would be born.

There are hundreds of these prophecies that are very specific and that we can verify were written hundreds of years before they were fulfilled and, yet, all of the prophecies were fulfilled exactly as written. Since there is no other book like it anywhere in the world, we can know that it was written by the most powerful God that exists because no other god has been able to stop him from doing what He said that He would do. Imagine that you see two people playing chess. One of them tells the other which piece of his the first will take next, and then he does exactly what he said. Now imagine that this happens all through the game. Now imagine that they play several games and the exact same thing happens every time. Yet, the person who keeps losing also keeps insisting that they are the better player. If that happens, it should be obvious that the constant loser is lying when they insist that they are the better player.

Now, if you were betting on the game, you would be foolish to keep betting on the loud-mouthed loser. Well, you are betting where your everlasting soul ends up by choosing what god you serve. The God of the Bible has proven that He is the most powerful God that exists by all of the detailed prophecies that He has given and fulfilled in spite of all of the other gods trying to stop Him. He has also written in His Bible that we each have a free will and He will not take away our free will. However, He also wrote that, at some time in the future, He will put all of these other gods into a lake of fire and we can be sure that that prophecy will be fulfilled just like all of the other prophecies have been fulfilled. While that is bad news for the other gods, the bad news for us is that He also promised that every person will be put with the god that they serve in this world. If you truly serve the God of the Bible, then after you die your spirit will go to Heaven, which is the home of the God of the Bible. However, everyone who spends their life serving these other gods will end up in the lake of fire along with their gods.

In addition, we can know that the most powerful God kept all other so-called gods from writing a similar book because no other so-called holy book has all of these fulfilled prophecies. Only the Bible has proof that it was written by the most powerful being that exists and in it we are warned that we will end up in a lake of fire to burn forever if we don't do what God tells us to do.

Think about this truth. Confucius has lots of sayings on how to live but nothing about after we die. There are reportedly three different Buddhas, which means at least two are lies. In addition, there is no written record of what Buddha said. Therefore, there is no way to verify if what people claim was said by Buddha was really said. As for reincarnation, the only evidence is from claimed memories of former lives. However, the same methods used to find those so-called memories were also used to recall memories of girls being sexually molested by their fathers when they were young. What people found out was that, after several fathers were put in jail, it was proven that the so-called memories were lies planted by the people who claimed to recall them. Hypnotism allows people to plant false memories. People were planting false memories so that they would be popular and called an expert. Likewise, all so-called memories of prior lives have been found to use the same method. The so-called memories of prior lives have been shown to be false memories planted by people who wish to be considered to be religious experts.

Another thing that may surprise people is that there is a king of these devils. The Bible calls him Satan and the Devil and other names. He is evil and wants us to live in chaos and destruction. That is why he lets the spirits of his kingdom do different mean things to people and cause different people to fight against each other and try to make other people live the way that they demand and not the way that people want to live.

Now, in addition to these mean spirits, there is a good Spirit God. He is the most powerful God that exists. He used men to write a book called the Bible to tell us what is really happening. He also provided proof that the Bible is truth and we will consider that in a moment. However, first we need to know the basic truth of all existence.

This good God created this world and everything in it. We can know that the world was created by a single being that was powerful enough to force others to submit to his will because we have things like gravity and the laws of math that are the same everywhere. When many different beings all have about the same power you find them arguing and fighting over whose way will control how things are done. With many powers, we have different rules in different places and what rule is in effect depending on who has the most influence in that area. Think about all of the different governments in the world with each claiming that they have the best way. No government wants to do what another government says, even when it is obvious that the other way is better. Think of all of the gods that Thai people are reported to worship and how each god is different.

Now think about creation and realize that we don't have different rules in different places. The law of gravity is the same everywhere. The laws of math are the same everywhere. The only way that this is possible is if there is a single being who is so powerful that He can force all other beings to do things his way. This is true for men and for gods. Thus, the rules, such as gravity and the laws of math, show that

a single being created everything and insisted that creation follow His rules. He is the Creator God.

In addition to having a single rule showing that the Creator God is more powerful than all other gods, we see from creation that the Creator is a good God. Yes, men mess up creation and people claim that some gods mess up creation with things like volcanoes and storms, but we can see from nature that this world was created to be good for us.

That leads to the question of: *'if the Creator God is so powerful, why does He allow other lesser gods, and men, mess up His creation?'*. The answer is in the Bible, which is the holy book written by the Creator God. In the Bible we read that God used men to write what He wants all men to know about. [2Peter 1:21](#) says: "For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost."

Now I understand how some people might get upset about this claim, but you have your own brain. Stop reacting emotionally and think about this. We know that when a person dies their spirit separates from their body. We also know that the way that a person thinks is part of the spirit that goes on existing. The only way that a spirit could keep memories is if the memories were part of the spirit. While there is only faked evidence of reincarnation, there are real encounters of the spirit from a dead person returning and talking to living people. So, the spirit retains the ability to think and see and feel and talk and do other things. So now, if a cow or dog is someone reincarnated, why are the animals so stupid? People are not that stupid. When a spirit separated from the body the spirit is not stupid. So why is someone stupid if they are reincarnated in an animal but not stupid if they are reincarnated in a person? How do they become stupid when, supposedly, they are reincarnated in an animal but, later, have everything restored what they, supposedly, are reincarnated as a person?

We could go on but instead we will consider what the most powerful God that exists wrote to us in His Bible. Hopefully people realize that there are many lies believed by many people. If people will really think about what is claimed about spirits and what happens to people after they die, they will see that the only thing which provides true proof to back the claims is the Bible. Therefore, I will give the basic message from the Bible.

The Bible tells us that these devils, who want to be called gods, used to be part of the kingdom of the most powerful God until they rebelled. The most powerful God is a God of love but He is also a God of justice. Because these devils rebelled from the kingdom of God, He declared that He will punish their rebellion, just like your king would punish government people who started a rebellion. God cast the devils out of the place of His kingdom, which is called Heaven. He did this while He created a lake of fire to put them into where they will suffer forever. However, while He did that, the Devil came to this world that God had created, and to the man and woman that God had created and got them to break God's law. The devil then told God that God could not remain righteous if He punished the Devil and his followers but did not also punish man.

You see, when God created this world and the first man and woman, He put them in a beautiful garden and told them to take care of the garden. They were named Adam and Eve. They had a job to do so that they weren't bored. They had lots of different things to eat and the weather was always perfect and everything that they could desire was provided. In addition, God came and visited with them every day and talked with them like a loving parent talks with their children. God also gave them something of His to take care of so that they could show their love for Him. And, God told them that they could eat the fruit from any tree but not from His special tree which is called "the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil". When the Devil tempted Adam and Eve to eat the fruit of this tree, he caused them to become corrupted to the point that all of their descendants are born corrupted.

Just as God promised would happen if they ate the fruit of this tree, they died and we all die. In addition, we all have the corruption called old age and disease. Further, some people are truly evil. And, all people have religion and think their religion is as good as the personal relationship that God had with the

first man and woman. We could go on but think about this one thing. We are all selfish and self-centered. A baby will fuss when nothing is wrong because it wants mommy paying attention to it all of the time. That is, we are born with this type of corrupted nature and it is a result of Adam and Eve disobeying God.

The Devil demanded that God punish all men just like He promised to punish the Devil and his followers. Since man had broken God's law, there had to be a punishment or God proved that He wasn't righteous to punish the devils but not punish man. In addition, since we are all born with a corrupt nature, we all willfully break God's law. Therefore, we deserve punishment because of our own sin and not just because of the nature that we were born with.

However, God loved man whom He had created. Therefore, instead of just punishing all men, God made a plan to redeem man even while remaining righteous. He had His Son put aside all of His power as a true God and be born as a simple man. God's Son lived like us but never sinned. He also taught people how to live without sinning. But, the religious leaders were jealous of Him and hated Him and got the government to beat Him until He no longer looked human and then crucify Him until He died. The devils then took His Spirit to the place that they used to torment the spirits of everyone who spent their lives serving the devils and then died. That place is called Hell and is a place of fire and torment. The Devil planned on tormenting God's Son in Hell. But, that is when God's Son took back His own power as a true God. He was still righteous because He did not break into the place controlled by the Devil but was brought there by the Devil. Once God's Son had His own power back, he defeated the Devil and all of the other so-called gods by Himself. He bound them and took away the keys to Hell and Death. Then He rose from the dead. He was not reincarnated in a new body but still had the body that died on the cross and had holes in His hands and feet to prove that He has power over death. With that power He promises to give everyone in His kingdom a new body to live in which will never be corrupted nor die.

After He rose He talked to over 500 of His followers and then returned to heaven. Some day He will come back to this Earth and rule all of it. That is what we were told in the first Bible verses which I read at the start. He will be King of kings and Lord of lords. He will bring everyone who became part of his kingdom with them. They will have new bodies that can never be corrupted again. They never die. They never get sick. They rule and reign with Him.

That brings us back to us and our present situation. God gave us each a free will. God left the devils and their followers here to test us. Either we accept His Son as our Lord and King, or we refuse to do so. That is the most important test of this life. Anyone who refuses to accept God's Son named Jesus as their personal Lord and King is put into Hell when they die. Only those people who accept Jesus as their personal Lord and King go to Heaven. The Bible says "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." In [Romans 10:13](#) and several other places of the Bible. When you "call upon the name" you are trusting in the power and authority of the name. You must agree to stop serving any other god and serve Jesus only. This changing who you serve is called "repentance" by the Bible.

Whenever someone truly repents and accepts Jesus as their personal Lord and King, God marks His law books to count Jesus dying as payment for their sins. That way our breaking God's law is paid for and God is still righteous. God then adopts those people as His children and says that anything else that they do wrong will be treated as a disobedient child and not as a crime. God also gives His new child His Holy Spirit to show them how to live and become like God so that they can stop breaking God's law. God also promises that they will go to His Heaven when they die and stay there until they are given their new body to return to this Earth and live as rulers under Jesus.

The people who refuse to accept Jesus as their personal Lord and King will be cast into hell until God puts all of the devils and everyone in Hell in the "lake of Fire" forever. God loves everyone so much that He will not take away their free will. He gives you a choice and accepts whatever choice you make. You can accept His Son Jesus as your personal Lord and King or reject Him. If you accept Him, you get God's Holy Spirit while you are here, you go to heaven when you die, and you get to return here with a new body that can not be corrupted nor die. If you refuse to accept Jesus as your personal Lord and King,

you will continue to live a selfish sinful life here, go to hell when you die and, eventually, be cast into the "lake of Fire" to be tormented forever.

I will now let the pastor tell you how to accept Jesus as your personal Lord and King.

Saved but Cursed

Revelation 3:14-22

Many saved Americans think that it is the Laodicean Age and that the '*Rapture*' must happen soon. The problem is that they use this as an excuse to not do the '*Great Commission*'. They claim that people refuse to respond so there is no need to try and win them to the gospel. In addition, they believe the lie that they are getting a mansion simply because they are saved and that any further rewards will be so small that they do not justify any effort to serve God now. And if that isn't enough, they believe that there will be no punishment at the "judgment seat of Christ". Many are like the saved people that we read about in [2Thessalonians 3:11](#) whom Paul called "busybodies" because they expected to be supported by the church while they refused to work. There we are told to "admonish" people who will not work. In particular, we are to "admonish" saved people who do not work in God's kingdom.

The reason to mention these people is not to criticize them but to warn against following their doctrinal error. They blame the Age for their own failure to do the '*Great Commission*' instead of realizing that their failure is what causes the Age. When John wrote Revelation, these signs were true for "the church of the Laodiceans", so were the signs for the other churches happening at the same time. The people, in this church, at the time that John wrote Revelation, thought Their signs were true for everyone at that time. This was happening even while what John wrote to other churches happened at the same time.

When England turned their backs on God and went from sending out missionaries to apostasy, the churches claimed that it was the '*Laodicean Age*' age at that time. Therefore, we can look in history and see different places where people thought that it was the '*Laodicean Age*'. The point is that many times in history Satan has convinced God's people to blame the age for their lack of producing results. With this excuse, they stopped working in God's kingdom. What we believe about the general age in history will not be accepted as an excuse for stopping working in God's kingdom. If anything, it should motivate us to work harder. Satan will use anything to get God's people to believe a lie and to stop working for God's kingdom. With that, we need to look closer at the doctrinal error believed by many Americans. This is not to criticize them but to avoid the same error

Many Americans are like the Jews in the days of Jesus. They see their material blessings as evidence that they are right with God. They fail to realize that their physical blessings are the result of God blessing the spiritual work of prior generations. Likewise, many people look at their lack of physical blessings in this world and fail to realize that they are also living with the results of prior generations. Many people want to go to America for the physical blessings that they have now instead of looking at what God will do in the future to America. Your children and grandchildren will not thank you for taking them into an area that will receive the judgment of God during their lifetime

Instead of looking at physical blessings that people have now we need to look at the promises of God and act on those promises. If we are truly spiritual then we need to focus on the spiritual instead of on the physical. A candle brings great light into the darkest room but adds little light to our work under full sun. Likewise, the light that God tells us to bring to the world will have the greatest effect in places which have never heard the Gospel while we will have little effect in America where there are many churches preaching many doctrines which all claim to be Biblical

Saved people become spiritually blind when they are so busy looking at the physical that they never look at the spiritual and never truly consider spiritual matters other than surface thoughts during religious activities. Think about this question. Do you sing the songs without thinking about the words? As we sing songs that say "send me", have you truly made that the prayer of your heart? If you are where God wants you, are you preparing your children to expect to go into the "regions beyond" or are you teaching them to want to stay around you in your old age? Look at our reference in Revelation and realize what Jesus said

to these people personally. In [Revelation 3:17](#) we read "Because thou sayest". The word "thou" means 'you personally'. We will not be judged for the age but for what we personally do. In addition, the word "sayest" means 'what you keep on keeping on saying'. This is the lifestyle saying to justify the way that people live. Next, Jesus says "I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing". Do you start every day with a prayer for God to supply all of your needs that day? If not, regardless of what you claim, your lifestyle says that you don't need anything from God

Next, [Revelation 3:17](#) says: "and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked". These people did not realize their true spiritual condition because they were blinded by their physical condition. Further, the lies from Satan convinced them that they were going to Heaven to live in a mansion and experience eternal bliss with only the possibility of a minor loss at the "judgment seat of Christ". Since they considered that loss to be negligible, they chose to ignore it. That is, they were so convinced of their own future that they believed that the Bible lied when it promised that our eternal future is directly dependent upon what we do for God's kingdom while we are in this life

People are spiritually poor when they are so busy pursuing the physical that they don't take time to do what the Bible says will add to their Heavenly account. They are spiritually naked when they never allow Jesus Christ to work through their life so that He can give them His righteousness after working through their life. They are "wretched, and miserable" because that is how we all are in our sinful natural state. That is also the promised state for saved people who never stop their sinning. This state will last for more than 1,000 years until after the "great white throne" judgment. We only become different when we allow Jesus Christ to change us as we mature spiritually. Our condition for the first 1,000 years are dependent upon our allowing Him to do this while we are in this life

The only true conclusion is that what was written to this church can be true for individual saved people, or even a large group of saved people such as a church or region or culture

One of the evidences that save people are spiritually blind is when they acknowledge the evidences of people not getting saved and of saved people not spiritually maturing even while refusing to see personal guilt for not trying correcting the problem around them. They have lots of excuses when asked what they personally are doing to win the lost and to help the saved to mature spiritually. They claim things like 'God didn't call me' when asked why they personally are not going on mission trips and becoming trained to be a missionary so that God could call them if God wanted to do so. We are told, several places, that God "calls" all saved to become "saints". One of the lies from devils is that all saved are Biblical "Christians" and "saints" simply because they made a profession

In [Revelation 3:16](#), we see Jesus Christ call these people "lukewarm" and promises to "spue thee out of my mouth" when they get to the "judgment seat of Christ". If they are saved then they can not be "cold". Therefore, the only other option, for avoiding this judgment, is for them to become "hot". This leads to the question of 'Why would saved people refuse to become "hot"?' The answer is that they have believed doctrine from devils. They believe that they will get the promises of God without fulfilling the requirements to get those promises and they believe that they will avoid the punishment of God even while living in disobedience to God

The first evidence of this is people who claim that the "judgment seat of Christ" is a 'bema seat'. They criticize other religious for being hypocrites who preach one thing while living another. They criticize other religions and religious people for using the 'original languages' to pervert the KJV-1611 and write their own bibles. Yet this change is the same thing only on a smaller scale

People who preach the doctrine of a 'bema seat' call the literal Bible a lie. They claim 'there are rewards and loss of rewards but no punishment'.

- A. However, the literal meaning of "judgment" includes the possibility of punishment.

- B. Next, [2Corinthians 5:10](#) literally says "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad." This sentence literally says that some saved people who are in heaven at the "judgment seat of Christ" will receive "BAD" as a direct result of "the things done in his body".
- C. Next, our reference in Revelation said that Jesus Christ would "spue" people who were "lukewarm" and this doctrine of a 'bema seat' is used to excuse people being "lukewarm". This doctrine from devils will not change the judgment by Jesus Christ.
- D. Next, the next verse, [2Corinthians 5:11](#), starts with "Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord". The "therefore" means that "the terror of the Lord" is a direct result of "the judgment seat of Christ". This is only given to saved people who are in Heaven. Not all saved people will receive this, as will be explained. But "lukewarm" people can expect to receive this and it is not removed for more than 1,000 years.
- E. The semi-colon in our sentence tells us that "Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men" is the First Step of this sentence. This Step means that people "persuade men" in order to avoid receiving "the terror of the Lord" at "the judgment seat of Christ". We "persuade men" by doing 'the Great Commission'. Doing 'the Great Commission' changes us from being spiritually "lukewarm" to being spiritually "hot" and gets us a different judgment according to our reference in Revelation.
- F. Next, our sentence in [2Corinthians 5:11](#) says "but we are made manifest unto God". This is the Second Step and is a result of the First Step which required us to do 'the Great Commission'. The word "manifest" means 'revealed in every possible way'. God sees who truly does 'the Great Commission' and records it as evidence for when we appear at "the judgment seat of Christ".
- G. Next, [2Corinthians 5:11](#) has a Third Step which says "and I trust also are made manifest in your consciences". The "consciences" of other saved people will let them know who is truly doing 'the Great Commission'. They will feel guilty, and feel the need to make excuses, if they are not also doing 'the Great Commission'. However, saved people who are truly doing 'the Great Commission' will be encouraged by knowing that they are not alone. So, when you are around people like pastor Nono, do you want to hide and make excuses for not doing 'the Great Commission' or do you want to encourage him by letting him know how Jesus Christ is working through your life?

Our next consideration is the parallel parables about the "talents", in [Matthew 25:14-30](#), and the "pounds" in [Luke 19:12-27](#). These parables explain how people in heaven can be "poor" like our reference in Revelation says.

1. In Luke we are told that a "pound" was given to 10 servants. Three of them returned the "pound" when their Lord returned. [Luke 19:27](#) says: "But those mine enemies, which would not that I should reign over them, bring hither, and slay them before me." Therefore, they went to hell and the first three went to Heaven. Of those three, we read in [Luke 19:16-19](#) "Then came the first, saying, Lord, thy pound hath gained ten pounds. And he said unto him, Well, thou good servant: because thou hast been faithful in a very little, have thou authority over ten cities. And the second came, saying, Lord, thy pound hath gained five pounds. And he said likewise to him, Be thou also over five cities." So, those two receive a crown because they were made rulers over cities. However, the last servant returned no profit and was called "thou wicked servant". Then [Luke 19:24](#) says: "Take from him the pound, and give it to him that hath ten pounds." In addition, [Luke 19:26](#) says "For I say unto you, That unto every one which hath shall be given; and from him that hath not, even that he hath shall be taken away from him." This literally means that people who return a spiritual profit to God will receive greater rewards at "the judgment seat of Christ" and saved people who do not return a profit will lose even what they had in this world and will be 'eternal paupers'. They do NOT get a mansion.

2. [Matthew 26:11](#) and [John 12:8](#) tell us "ye have the poor always with you" and eternity is part of "always". There will be eternal paupers who are saved but do not return a profit to God by doing 'the Great Commission'.
3. Next, we need to look at the parallel parable in [Matthew 25:14-30](#). Here we are told that the Lord gave "talents" to His servants. We all receive spiritual gifts when we get saved and God expects us to use those spiritual gifts to return a profit to Him.
4. Notice that says [Matthew 25:19-23](#) "After a long time the lord of those servants cometh, and reckoneth with them. And so he that had received five talents came and brought other five talents, saying, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five talents: behold, I have gained beside them five talents more. His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord. He also that had received two talents came and said, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me two talents: behold, I have gained two other talents beside them. His lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord." The two who returned a profit were told "Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord". Since they were made "rulers", they receive a crown. However, the third servant returned no profit. [Matthew 25:26-28](#) says "His lord answered and said unto him, Thou wicked and slothful servant, 'Take therefore the talent from him, and give it unto him which hath ten talents.'" Therefore, he also was an eternal pauper.
5. However, our parable goes on and tells us more. First, [Matthew 25:29](#) gives us the same principal of judgment as [Luke 19:26](#) did.
6. Next, [Matthew 25:30](#) says "And cast ye the unprofitable servant into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth." Notice that this is not "outside darkness", which would be Hell like many people claim. The word "outer" means 'more to the outside'. [Revelation 21:23](#) says: "And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof." If you have one light in the center of a large area, those closest to the light can see the best while those farthest from the light are in relative darkness and have the greatest trouble seeing. These are the people whom our reference in Revelation called "blind" and "wretched, and miserable". God does not "wipe away all tears from their eyes" until after the "great white throne" judgment which is more than 1,000 years after "the judgment seat of Christ", which is the source of the tears.
7. Next, look at Isaiah 66:23-24 which says: "And it shall come to pass, that from one new moon to another, and from one sabbath to another, shall all flesh come to worship before me, saith the LORD. And they shall go forth, and look upon the carcasses of the men that have transgressed against me: for their worm shall not die, neither shall their fire be quenched; and they shall be an abhorring unto all flesh." His is telling us that we will see people burning in Hell. We can not do that while we are in this life. We will not do so after the "great white throne" judgment when God shall "wipe away all tears from their eyes". However, we are responsible for our own descendants to the third and fourth generation. If we do not do 'the Great Commission' then we will see the blood of lost people on our hands while we see them burning in Hell. We can not have the love of God in our heart and not have tears while watching people burn in Hell because we failed to witness to them. Further, since there are 50 sabbaths in addition to Saturday, we will have these tears an average of almost twice a week for more than 1,000 years.

If we return to our original reference in Revelation, we saw that the "lukewarm" saved people were personally ("thou art") "wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked" and that they were this way because they personally ("thou") "sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing". We also saw that they thought this because they were looking at the physical instead of at the spiritual. We also saw that they were spiritually "blind" because they were looking at the physical and because they were far from Jesus, Who is our spiritual light. We saw that they were "wretched, and miserable" because they were heading for 1,000 years of tears. We saw that they were "poor" because they refused to do what the Bible says will add to their Heavenly account. They were too busy pursuing

the physical riches to take time for spiritual riches. This leaves us the word "naked"

[Matthew 22](#) has a familiar parable which we do not have time to explore completely. This is the parable where the king said "Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage." This is our salvation. While that is an important lesson, we need to look at the last part of this parable, which I can't remember hearing anyone preach on. [Matthew 22:11-14](#) says "And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man which had not on a wedding garment: And he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment? And he was speechless. Then said the king to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. For many are called, but few are chosen."

1. Please notice the phrase "cast him into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth". We already dealt with this phrase. This is where saved people who do not give God a prophet are cast.
2. Notice that He was in Heaven but did not have "a wedding garment". Now look at [Revelation 19:7-8](#) which says; "Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready. And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints".
3. We have no righteousness of our own. However, [Philippians 3:8-11](#) says that we can receive "righteousness" which is through the faith of Christ" when we let Him live and work through our life.
4. Yes, everyone in Heaven has a white robe, but that is an under-robe. Any saved person who never let "the faith of Christ" work through their life does not have the "wedding garment". Matched with what we saw elsewhere; these people are in Heaven but they are "naked" because they do not have the "wedding garment". They probably will not be allowed to attend the wedding feast of the Lamb. In addition, since these people never received a crown, they probably will not be allowed to return for the 1,000-year reign of Christ since the saved who return will be ruling and reigning and, without a crown, they will not reign.

The bottom line is that God will curse all saved who refuse to obey His command to do 'the Great Commission'. Such people will not receive the rewards which they expect and will have over 1,000 years of tears

We saw the blessings for those people who do 'the Great Commission'. We just saw the curse for saved people who refuse to do 'the Great Commission'. The lesson which is left is how non-preachers can do 'the Great Commission', especially when related to missions work and training others to be soul-winners, which gives us the greatest reward and provide the greatest protection from 1,000 years of tears.

Saints will be returning with Christ for His 1,000 years reign

- [Revelation 5:8](#) says: "And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints.": The "prayers of saints" are part of the true worship in Heaven.
- [Revelation 8:3](#) says: "And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne.": The "prayers of saints" are part of the true worship in Heaven.
- [Revelation 8:4](#) says: "And the smoke of the incense, which came with the prayers of the saints, ascended up before God out of the angel's hand.": The "prayers of saints" please God.
- [Revelation 11:18](#) says: "And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth.": Saints will be rewarded by God in the 1,000 years reign of Christ.
- [Revelation 13:7](#) says: "And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.": Saints can not win except with the power of God. However, true saints are faithful to God even in suffering and death.
- [Revelation 13:10](#) says: "He that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity: he that killeth with the sword must be killed with the sword. Here is the patience and the faith of the saints.": True saints are faithful to God even in suffering and death. They patiently wait for God to make things right and understand that God must wait until people condemn themselves by their own actions because God is always right and just.
- [Revelation 14:12](#) says: "Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.": True saints are faithful to God even in suffering and death. They patiently wait for God to make things right and understand that God must wait until people condemn themselves by their own actions because God is always right and just.
- [Revelation 15:3](#) says: "And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, Great and marvellous are thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are thy ways, thou King of saints.": True saints worship and obey God.
- [Revelation 16:6](#) says: "For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and thou hast given them blood to drink; for they are worthy.": True saints are faithful to God even in suffering and death. They patiently wait for God to make things right and understand that God must wait until people condemn themselves by their own actions because God is always right and just.
- [Revelation 17:6](#) says: "And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration.": The world's religion will persecute and kill true saints.
- [Revelation 18:24](#) says: "And in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth.": The world's religion will persecute and kill true saints.
- [Revelation 19:8](#) says: "And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.": Saints are to have their own righteousness which they receive from Jesus Christ when they let Him live through their life on Earth.
- [Revelation 20:9](#) says: "And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of Heaven, and devoured them.": Saints will be involved in the final fight with Satan.

