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REVELATION – INTRODUCTION

- Revelation is is Singular, not plural
- Revelation to unveil or uncover, to reveal
- Revelation contain seven Epistles by Jesus:
- Ephesus
- Smyrna
- Pergamos
- Thyatira
- Sardis
- Philadelphia
- Laodicea
- "Search the Scriptures and they are they which testify me" John 5:39



WHOLE COUNSEL OF GOD

- Christ at the Center (Rev 1:1)
- "More sure word of prophecy" 2 Pet. 1:19
- "Search the Scriptures and they are they which testify me" John 5:39
- "Volume of the book is written of me" Ps. 40:7
- Testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy" Rev. 19:10
- "Thy Kingdom Come" Matt. 6:10



OUTLINE IN CHAPTER 1

- I-3- Introduction
- 4-11 Salutation & Occasion
- 12-18 Vision of the Risen Christ
- I9 Outline of the Book
- 20 Prep for Chapters 2 and 3

 Write^[i] the things which you have seen, and the things which are, and the things which will take place after this. (Rev. 1:19)

REVELATION 4 & 5

The Harpazo?	4:1
Throne of God	4:2-3
24 Elders	4:4
•7 Lamps burning	4:5
Sea of Glass	4:6
 4 Living Creatures (Cherubim) 4 faces: Lion, Calf, Man, Eagle 	4:6-8 Numbers 2
 The Seven-sealed Scroll The identity of the 24 Elders 	Rev. 5



REAL EXPERIENCES

- "I will show thee"
- "'I looked"
- •"I saw"
- "'I beheld
- "I heard"

Rev. 4:1, 21:10 70 times in Revelation 35 times 7 times 23 times



THE HARPAZO?

- "A door was opened" 4times in Revelation
 "Voice ... Trumpet" Cf. 1 Thes. 4
 "Come"

 A real, material heaven
 Veil
 Luke 24:39
 Luke 23:45, Heb. 10:19-20

 Rapture:
 - NT: 1 Thes. 4:13-17, 1Cor. 15:50
 OT: Isaiah 26:19-21, Zep. 2:3, Ps 27:5
- "Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me.² In My Father's house are many mansions;^[a] if *it were* not *so*, I would have told **you**. I go to prepare a place for **you**.^{[b]3} And if I go and prepare a place for **you**, I will come again and receive **you** to Myself; that where I am, *there* **you** may be also. John 14



THE JEWISH WEDDING

The Ketubah, Betrothal

Payment of the purchase price

Set apart (sanctified)

Bridegroom departs to Father's House

- Prepares room addition
- Bride prepares for his imminent return

Surprise gathering

- Jer. 7:34, 16:9, 25:10, Psa. 45:8-1, Matt 25:1-13
- Huppah, wedding

Seven day Marriage supper

Judges 14:12, Matt 9:15, 22:11-14, John 2:1



THE MARRIAGE FULFILLED

- Covenant established: 1 Cor. 11:25
 Purchase price: 1 Cor. 6:19-20
 Bride set apart: Eph. 5:25-27, 1Cor. 1:2, 6:11, Heb. 10:10; 13:12
 Reminded of the covenant: 1 Cor. 11:25-26
- Bridegroom left for the Father's house ...
- Escort to accompany Him upon His return to gather His Bride 1Thess. 4:16-17
- He is coming for the Church and Israel (Job 19:25-27)
- ²⁵ For I know *that* my Redeemer lives, And He shall stand at last on the earth;
 ²⁶ And after my skin is destroyed, this *I know*, That in my flesh I shall see God,
 ²⁷ Whom I shall see for myself, And my eyes shall behold, and not another.
 How my heart yearns within me!

THRONES

- The word "throne" appears
 - 58 times in the NT. 43 in Revelation

14 in Chapter 4

- Messiah will sit
 - On His Father's Throne Psa. 110:1; Rev. 3:21
 - On the "Throne of His Mercy" Heb. 4:16
 - On the "Throne of David" Isa. 9:7, Luke 1:32
- The 12 apostles will
 - Sit on 12 thrones and
 - Judge the 12 tribes, angles Matt 19:28; 1 Cor. 63
- 24 Elders sit on thrones Rev. 4:4
- Unbelievers will be judged
 - At a "Great White Throne" Rev. 20:12



CHAPTER 4

- After these things I looked, and behold, a door standing open in heaven. And the first voice which I heard was like a trumpet speaking with me, saying, "Come up here, and I will show you things which must take place after this."
- Immediately I was in the Spirit; and behold, a throne set in heaven, and One sat on the throne.³ And He who sat there was^[a] like a jasper and a sardius stone in appearance; and there was a rainbow around the throne, in appearance like an emerald.

RAINBOW, THRONES

- •The work in Greek is Iris: rainbow, halo
- The work in Greek is thronos, seats assigned to kings, judges



24 ELDERS

David's 24 courses

Non-Levitical Priesthood Orders

Jethro

- Jacob's tithes?
- Melchizedek
 - Messianic

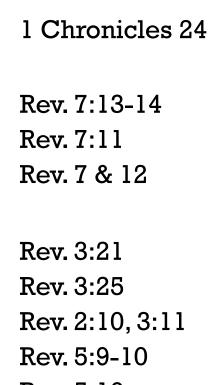
Exodus 3:1 Genesis 28:22 Gen 14:18-20 Psalm 110:4, Heb. 5,6,7

1 Chron. 24:1-19



THE 24 ELDERS

 Represent completed group Cannot be Tribulation Believers Rev. 7:13-14 Rev. 7:11 Angels Nation of Israel Rev. 7 & 12 Distinguishing Characteristics Thrones Rev. 3:21 Clothed in White Raiment **Rev. 3:25** Rev. 2:10, 3:11 Crowns of gold Song of Redeemed Rev. 5:9-10 Called "Elders" "Kings & Priests" Rev. 5:10



CROWNS PROMISED

- Crown of Life James 1:12, Rev. 2:10
 For those who have suffered for His sake
 Crown of Righteousness 2 Tim. 4:8
 For those who loved His appearing
 Crown of Glory 1 Pet. 5:4
 For those who fed the flock
 Crown Incorruptible 1 Cor. 9:25
 For those who press on steadfastly
 Crown of Rejoicing 1 Thess. 2:19
 - For those who win souls



THE FOUR FACES

Before the Throne of God

- Isaiah 6:1-3
- Ezekiel 1, 10
- Numbers 2



CHAPTER 5 — SEVEN-SEALED SCROLL

And I saw in the right hand of Him who sat on the throne a scroll written inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals.² Then I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and to loose its seals?" And no one in heaven or on the earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll, or to look at it.⁴ So I wept much, because no one was found worthy to open and read^[a] the scroll, or to look at it.



THE BOOK OF RUTH

- Boaz = the Goel, the Kinsman-Redeemer
- Law of Redemption: Land for Naomi
- Law of Levirate Marriage; Ruth, the Gentile bride Lev. 25:23-25
- Redemption Sealed: Cf. Dan. 12:4-9, Rev. 10:8-11, Ezek. 2:10, Zech. 5:1-4, Isa. 29:11f



THE GOEL, THE KINSMAN-REDEEMER

- Had to be a kinsman
- Had to be able
- Had to be willing
- Had to assume all the obligations of the beneficiary



- •⁴ So I wept much, because no one was found worthy to open and read^[a] the scroll, or to look at it.⁵ But one of the elders said to me, "Do not weep. Behold, the **Lion of the tribe of Judah**, the **Root of David**, has prevailed to open the scroll and to loose^[b] its seven seals."
- •⁶ And I looked, and behold,^[c] in the midst of the throne and of the four living creatures, and in the midst of the elders, stood a **Lamb** as though it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent out into all the earth. ⁷ Then He came and took the scroll out of the right hand of Him who sat on the throne.



TITLE OF CHRIST – JEWISH TITLES

Lion of the tribe of Judah Root of David Lamb



SEVEN HORNS AND SEVEN EYES

Symbol of power

- Deut. 22:17, 1Kings 22:11, Zech. 1:18, Psalm 75:4
- Also, honor
 - 1 Sam. 2:1-10, Psalm 89:17,24, 112:9-10, 148:14
- "Seven Eyes"
 - Seven Spirits of God Zech. 3:8-9, 4:10

Note: He is to reign from Mt. Zion (Jerusalem). Cf. Ps 2:6



YESHUA HA MASHIACH

Lion: Jacob's final blessing on his sons
Gen. 49:8-10 (Cf. Hos. 5:14, Heb. 7:14)

Root od David:

- Isa. 11:1, 10, Jer. 23:5,6, Rom 15:12, Rev. 22:16, Matt. 1:1
- •He was the result of David's line, yet he was the one who brought David (and the line) into existence. He used this paradox to baffles the Pharisees Matt. 22:41-46
- In God's covenant with David, his line was to rule over all the whole earth. 2 Sam. 7, Ps. 2:8
- This was confirmed to Mary Luke 1:33



PILATE'S EPITAPH

- ¹⁹ Now Pilate wrote a title and put *it* on the cross. And the writing was:
- JESUS OF NAZARETH, THE KING OF THE JEWS.
- ²⁰ Then many of the Jews read this title, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, Greek, and Latin.
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•(John 19:19-21)



WORTHY IS THE LAMB

- ⁸ Now when He had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each having a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. ⁹ And they sang a new song, saying:
- "You are worthy to take the scroll, And to open its seals; For You were slain, And have redeemed us to God by Your blood Out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation, ¹⁰ And have made us^[d] kings^[e] and priests to our God; And we^[f] shall reign on the earth."



SEVEN POSSESSIONS

- I. Power: He is not one who can dream and never realize; plan but never achieve. He is able. Mt. 28:18, 1Cor. 1:24, Col. 1:16-17, Heb. 1:3, Mk. 51-20, 25-29, 35-43
- 2, Riches: There is no claim on Him which He cannot satisfy, no promise He cannot carry out. 2 Cor. 8:9, Eph. 3:8
- 3. Wisdom: Both secrets and practical knowledge 1 Cor. 1:24, James 1:5
- 4. Strength: which can even disarm the powers of evil and overthrow Satan. Ps. 24:8, Mt. 12:29, Luke 11:22
- 5. Honor: before whom every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that He is Lord indeed. Phil. 2:11, Ps. 104:1, Ps. 8:5, cf. Heb. 2:7,9
- 6. Glory: Which is His alone. Jn. 1:14, 2:11, 11:4,40, 17:5,24
- 7. Blessing: The inevitable climax of it all: He pours this all out on us you and me. Ps 103:1-2



COMING STUDIES

- Four things are out-of-place:
- 1. The church, (which is now) in Heaven
- 2. The Nation Israel, which should be in the Land promised to her
- 3. The Devil, who ought to be in the Lake of Fire
- 4. Christ, who is to be His Own Throne
- So now the "fireworks" begin:
 - Chapters 6 thru 19 are the detailing of the traumatic events of the most documented period in both the Old and New Testaments'
 - The "Seventieth Week" of Daniel



REVELATION 4 & 5 ANIMATION

<u>https://www.youtube.com/</u> watch?v=8dI-990ati8



FOR NEXT STUDY

I. Read Daniel 9 2. Outline the "70 Weeks" Daniel 9:24-27

