

# Outline: A Study in the Book of



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- Questions can make the teacher better able to communicate and give us a better sense in the application of the Word in our walk with GOD.
  - All questions are welcomed and encouraged.
  - Questions add to a point of teaching that will make the efforts more complete.
  - Did you know that questions can help in the teaching process?

## Pastor's comments:

- Thank God for bible class, where we can learn scripture to encourage yourself and witness to others the "Good News" of our Savior, Jesus Christ.
- This experience will better equip you in your witnessing, gives fertile ground, and effectiveness for fruitfulness.
- Studying and learning scripture blesses you with the truth.
- (John 8:32) **And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.**
- **Have clarity and conviction on what we believe; victory over the adversary.**
- **Our lives are in God's hand! He gives knowledge. He is able!**

## Outline in the Book of Revelation of Jesus Christ:

- Believed author: Apostle John, one of the twelve who walked with Jesus Christ. (Rev. 1:4,9;22:8)

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Review:

Seven churches were being persecuted from inside and outside.

These churches were located in places where earthquakes frequently erupted.

Today, these places have small churches or no church at all.

God had warned in His promises that the adversary will not have the victory.

Questions regarding the prophetic books in the Bible and the symbolism therein.

As you read and study the Scriptures have in mind:

- Who is talking?
- Who they are speaking to?
- Proper context is so important to properly/rightly apply scripture.
- Prophetic books with some of the same imagery in book of Revelations: Eze. 1,10,24,26; Isa. 6; Dan. 1,2,4,9 etc.
  - (Daniel 7:3) And four great beasts came up from the sea, diverse one from another.
  - The four beast here are referred to unbelieving kingdoms.
  - (Revelation 4:9) And when those beasts give glory and honour and thanks to Him that sat on the throne, who liveth for ever and ever,
  - The four living creatures resembled the cherubim in Ezek. 1 & 10 and surrounds the throne of God.
  - (Revelation 4:8) And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.
  - The four living creatures echo the seraphim in the throne room decried in Isa. 6:1-3
  - All are servants of God.
  - God gave instructions to Moses for the pattern of the tabernacle.
  - The cherubs were part of that pattern; what instructions were given as to how they were to look?
  - As Israel moved through the wilderness, their movement resembled the cross, each tribe had its place:
    - North/Dan (Eagle)

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- South/Rueben (Man)
- East/Judah (Lion)
- West/Ephraim (Oxen)
- Center/The throne of God (Levite Priests)
- All were serving God!
- Jesus' presence is known from Genesis to Revelation.
- God has a plan and design for His people
- (Revelation 3:21) 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.
- Don't give in to the fears of this world.

## Review (08/18)

- Symbolism and imagery can cause Revelations to b strange and difficult to understand.
- John's letters to the churches had in them descriptions that were relative to those reading them.
- Written to encourage the churches in the midst of turmoil.
- #4 = nature; 4 directions; 4 seasons
- Jesus taught in parables (relatable things).
- (John 10:11) I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.
- Don't be beastly ie: Vision 4 creatures described in Dan. 7
  - Particular significant to rejecting Christ; beastly.
- Be a living creatures ie: Rev. 4:9
  - Unceasing joyful praise, thanksgiving and worship toward the Lord by the 4 living creatures and the 24 elders.
- It is about Jesus from Gen. – Rev. pointing to God's sovereignty over all things.

## Chp. 5 The Lamb Takes the Scroll

(Revelation 5:1) And I saw in the right hand of him that sat on the throne a book written within and on the backside, sealed with seven seals.

- Book could not be opened until all the seals are broken.
- Right hand symbolizes power and authority.
- Seven seals symbolize God's perfect plan of judgment and the redemption of His creation, at the end times.

(Revelation 5:2) And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, Who is worthy to open the book, and to loose the seals thereof?

- Jesus was only One worthy to open the book.

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(Revelation 5:3) And no man in heaven, nor in earth, neither under the earth, was able to open the book, neither to look thereon.

(Revelation 5:4) And I wept much, because no man was found worthy to open and to read the book, neither to look thereon.

(Revelation 5:5) And one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not: behold, the Lion of the tribe of Juda, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof.

- Jesus is the Lamb of God; it looked like He had been slain but He is still standing.
- This described someone; Jesus/Jewish Messiah, their greatest King.
- (Isaiah 53:5) But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

(Revelation 5:6) And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth.

- Lamb that was dead but is alive (Jesus)!
- Seven horns symbolize: full strength, complete/authority.
- Seven eyes symbolize: full knowledge, insight (omnipotent).
- Seven Spirits is the fullness of the Holy Spirit (manifestations)
- (Revelation 1:4) John to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace be unto you, and peace, from him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before his throne;
- (Isaiah 11:2) And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD;

(John 16:7) Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.

- Jesus sent us a Comforter who is able to be everywhere.

(Revelation 5:7) And he came and took the book out of the right hand of him that sat upon the throne.

- Signifies a transfer of authority, allowing the Lamb to fulfill the contents of the scroll; judgments and other events of the Apocalypse.
- (Daniel 7:13) I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him.
- (Daniel 7:14) And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.

(Revelation 5:8) And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four

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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.

- As followers/disciples of Christ, we are given authority and dominion.
- Odours/prayers of the saints (sweet smelling savor).
- In these prayers are the comfort, the peace, the resolve.
- Twenty-four elders represent: 12 tribes & 12 apostles; the redeemed church people of God.
- (1 Peter 2:24) Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.
- He has drawn us to him from all directions, close because we have become sons and daughters of the Most High God who is our Abba/Father.
- (Romans 1:7) To all that be in Rome, beloved of God, called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

- All Christians are saints by the sovereign call of God, a person who has the forgiveness of sin and sanctified by faith in Jesus.

(Revelation 5:9) And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;

- New song; prayers included everybody.
- (Psalms 40:3) And he hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God: many shall see it, and fear, and shall trust in the LORD.
- Our battle has been fought and the victory has been won.
- Wearing the "victors' wreath" on their head.

(Revelation 5:10) And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.

- "Good news" – reigning on earth doesn't mean having your own kingdom but as those who have conquered sin, ruling over sin.
- We are a royal priesthood (God is King of kings)!

(Revelation 5:11) And I beheld, and I 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;

- (Philippians 2:10) That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth;
- (Philippians 2:11) And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

(Revelation 5:12) Saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.

(Revelation 5:13) And every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth,

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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.

- The One who sits on the throne has the same description as the Lamb—must be God.

(Revelation 5:14) And the four beasts said, Amen. And the four and twenty elders fell down and worshipped him that liveth for ever and ever.

- Represents the Redeemed people of God—the church
- (2 Corinthians 5:17) Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

### Chp. 6 First Seal: The Conqueror

#### The Four Horsemen and their implications:

(Revelation 6:1) And I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals, and I heard, as it were the noise of thunder, one of the four beasts saying, Come and see.

(Revelation 6:2) And I saw, and behold a white horse: and he that sat on him had a bow; and a crown was given unto him: and he went forth conquering, and to conquer.

(Revelation 6:3) And when he had opened the second seal, I heard the second beast say, Come and see.

(Revelation 6:4) And there went out another horse that was red: and power was given to him that sat thereon to take peace from the earth, and that they should kill one another: and there was given unto him a great sword.

(Revelation 6:5) And when he had opened the third seal, I heard the third beast say, Come and see. And I beheld, and lo a black horse; and he that sat on him had a pair of balances in his hand.

(Revelation 6:6) And I heard a voice in the midst of the four beasts say, A measure of wheat for a penny, and three measures of barley for a penny; and see thou hurt not the oil and the wine.

(Revelation 6:7) And when he had opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth beast say, Come and see.

(Revelation 6:8) And I looked, and behold a pale horse: and his name that sat on him was Death, and Hell followed with him. And 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.

- Those believers that lost their lives for being witness to Christ Jesus.