

The Revelation

(2) The Author's Outline

John sees the Lord Jesus... Rev.1:9-17

Where was John when he received the Revelation? 1:9 Why? 1:9

He had been condemned to the prison island of Patmos because of his testimony of Jesus.

When was the Revelation likely written? Comment??

Strong historic records show about AD95-96. John would be ~90 yrs. old. Released AD96.

Comment on *Lord's day* and *in the Spirit*. Isa 2:12; 13:6,9; 34:8; Joel 1:15; 2:1,11,31; 3:14; Amos 5:18,20; Zeph 1:7-8,14,18; 2:3; Zech 14:1; Mal 4:5; 1 Thess 5:2; 2 Peter 3:10; - Gal.5:25

Lord's Day in Scripture refers to the 2nd coming of Christ. In the Spirit=pure fellowship.

What is the trumpet (vs.10) symbolic of in the NT? ICor.15:52; IThess.4:16

It's associated with the Voice of the Lord at the start of the Day of the Lord (rapture).

What are the instructions given by the Lord to John? vs.11

Write in a book what you see and send it to the 7 (specific, named) churches.

When John turns, what is the first thing he records? vs.12-13 1:20; Mt.5:14-16

7 golden lampstands representing the 7 churches and The Son of Man in the midst.

What does the term "Son of Man" signify? Dan.7:9-13; Mark 8:31; Jn.1:51

It is the favorite name of Christ for Himself and sums up His perfect humanity.

What is likely signified by the robe and golden sash? vs.13

This is like the attire for the High Priest. Represents authority and intercession.

Comment on the description of Christ in vs.14-16.

White = purity; fire/bronze/sword/voice = judgment; shining = glory/deity; He is Lord!

What is John's reaction to this Revelation of Christ? vs.17 Is.6:5; Acts 9:1-5

He is overwhelmed, no strength left, and apparently afraid (vs.17). Holy God and a sinner.

The Words of the Lord...1:17-20

What is so gracious about the words of Jesus? vs.17 Jn.13:23

John now sees Jesus as Lord and God, but Jesus gently lays his right hand on him...

How does Jesus describe Himself to John? Comment?? vs.17-18

First and Last, Living One, was dead but now alive, forevermore, holds keys of death/hell

Why is 1:19 so critically important to the reader of the Revelation? 1:19

Jesus gives the outline of the Book! Have seen (Ch.1), are (Churches, Ch.2-3), after (4-22)

What does Jesus acknowledge about what John 'has seen'? vs.28a

The stars & lampstands are Mysteries. Symbols of (7) messengers and (7) churches.

Next: The things which are, the (7) churches