

NEW TESTAMENT SURVEY

PROPHECY

REVELATION

LESSON 27

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Revelation

INTRODUCTION TO REVELATION

The writer of Revelation

The book of Revelation was given from God. It was given to us through Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ sent the message to John through an angel (Revelation 1:1). This book was commanded to be written (Revelation 1:11).

The full name of the book of Revelation is “The Revelation of Jesus Christ.” Some Bibles add “as written by John.” This John is John the Beloved.

John used the language of his time to describe things which will happen in the future. He used words he knew to describe things that were strange to him. He had never seen things like aeroplanes, satellites, or missiles. John turned around because he wanted to see who told him to write. When he looked at Jesus, and recognized Him, he was told again to write.

Why Revelation was written

Revelation means to take off the veil, or to take off the cover. When the cover is taken off, that which is inside can be seen. When a person reveals something, he shows it as it is.

Revelation shows that which was, that which is, and that which will be hereafter (Revelation 1:19). Revelation shows Jesus Christ in all His glory. Revelation shows what the churches were like when John wrote. Revelation also shows what would happen after John wrote.

To whom the book was written

The book of Revelation was written to the churches in Asia. It is also written for all Christians.

Where and when the book was written

John was on the island of Patmos. (You can find Patmos on the map below.) He was held a prisoner there. He was on this island because he preached about Jesus Christ (Revelation 1:9). This is believed to be during the time Domitian was ruler in Rome. Many Christians were persecuted because they would not pray to the emperor (ruler) in Rome. The book was written between 80 and 100 A.D.



Why Revelation should be studied

- 1) Revelation should be studied because it is a revelation. It shows what is happening and what will happen.
- 2) The book is not closed but is open for all to read.
- 3) A blessing is promised to those who read it - those who read it alone and those who read it aloud in the church (Revelation 1:3).
- 4) The word pictures in Revelation have been used in the Bible before. The meanings of new word pictures are given.

How people understand Revelation

There are four different ways in which people understand the book of Revelation.

- 1) The **preterist group** believes it all happened in the past. To them Revelation was only for the time in which it was written. It does not have meaning for today.
- 2) The **idealist** or **spiritual group** believes that Revelation is a picture of the fight between good and evil. Good being the Christians and evil being those who have nothing to do with God.
- 3) The **historist group** believes that Revelation shows what happened and will happen in the world. For example: They say that the seven churches described in Revelation chapters 2 and 3 picture different periods of time. These periods of time are from Pentecost until Christ returns.
- 4) The **futurist group** believes that the things in Revelation chapters 2 and 3 happened when the book was written and the things in chapters 4 to 22 will happen in the future. They believe much of Revelation will happen just before Jesus Christ sets up the 1,000 year kingdom.

In this lesson we will not attempt to tell what each thing means. We want to see what is in the book of Revelation.

OUTLINE OF REVELATION

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| 1. | That which was..... | 1:1-20 |
| 2. | That which is | 2:1-3:22 |
| 3. | That which will be hereafter | 4:1-22:21 |
| 1) | Setting in heaven | 4:1-5:14 |
| 2) | Six seals | 6:1-17 |
| 3) | Marking the saints..... | 7:1-17 |
| 4) | Seventh seal and seven trumpets | 8:1-9:21 |
| 5) | Seven thunders, seventh trumpet | 10:1-11:19 |
| 6) | The woman and the dragon | 12:1-13:1 |
| 7) | The two beasts | 13:1-18 |
| 8) | The harvest | 14:1-20 |
| 9) | Seven bowls | 15:1-16:21 |
| 10) | Babylon the great | 17:1-18:24 |
| 11) | Marriage of the Lamb | 19:1-10 |
| 12) | Battle of Armageddon | 19:11-21 |
| 13) | Satan chained | 20:1-3 |
| 14) | Millennium | 20:4-6 |
| 15) | Last battle | 20:7-10 |
| 16) | White throne judgment | 20:11-15 |
| 17) | New heaven | 21:1-22:21 |

THAT WHICH

WAS

Revelation 1:1-20

READ Revelation 1:1-20.

Jesus Christ is the center of the book of Revelation. Revelation reveals Jesus Christ. It is the testimony of Jesus Christ (Revelation 1:2).

In the first chapter of Revelation we see Christ Jesus in His glory. The Lord God is the first and the last.

Jesus Christ is seen standing among the seven lampstands. He wore a long robe reaching down to His feet and a golden sash around His chest. His hair was white as wool, or white as snow. His eyes were like blazing fire. His feet were like bronze glowing in a furnace. His voice sounded like rushing waters. In His right hand He held seven stars. His face was like the sun shining with all its brightness.

Jesus said, "I am the Living One; I was dead, and behold, I am alive for ever and ever!"

NAMES OF JESUS AS USED IN REVELATION

Jesus Christ is called by different names. Revelation tells who He is. Let us look at a number of these names.

- 1) He who is, and who was, and who is to come (Revelation 1:4; 1:8)
- 2) The Almighty (Revelation 1:8)
- 3) The Living One who was dead, and is alive for ever and ever! (Revelation 1:18)
- 4) The Faithful Witness, the Firstborn from the dead (Revelation 1:5); the Faithful and True Witness (Revelation 3:14)
- 5) The Ruler of the kings of the earth (Revelation 1:5); King of the ages (Revelation 15:3); the Ruler of God's creation (Revelation 3:14)
- 6) The Alpha and the Omega (Revelation 1:8; 21:6; 22:13)
- 7) The Beginning and the End (Revelation 21:6; 22:13)
- 8) The First and the Last (Revelation 1:17; 22:13)
- 9) Lord and God (Revelation 4:11)
- 10) Lion of the tribe of Judah (Revelation 5:5)
- 11) The Root of David (Revelation 5:5); The Root and the Offspring of David (Revelation 22:16)
- 12) The Lamb (Revelation 5:6)
- 13) Sovereign Lord (Revelation 6:10)
- 14) Lord God Almighty (Revelation 15:3)
- 15) The Holy One (Revelation 16:5)
- 16) Lord of lords and King of kings (Revelation 17:14)
- 17) Faithful and True (Revelation 19:11)
- 18) The bright Morning Star (Revelation 22:16)
- 19) Jesus (Revelation 22:16)
- 20) Lord Jesus (Revelation 22:20)
- 21) The Son of God (Revelation 2:18)

22) The Amen (Revelation 3:14)

23) He who

- holds the seven stars in His right hand and walks among the seven golden lampstands (Revelation 2:1).

- is the First and the Last, who died and came to life again (Revelation 2:8).

- has the sharp, double-edged sword (Revelation 2:12).

- holds the seven spirits of God and the seven stars (Revelation 3:1).

- is holy and true, who holds the key of David (Revelation 3:7).

THE LAMB

The Lamb as Ruler

The four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb.

Revelation 5:8

To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever!

Revelation 5:13

The Lamb, standing on Mount Zion, and with him 144,000 who had his name and his Father's name written on their foreheads.

Revelation 14:1

The Lamb will overcome them because he is Lord of lords and King of kings.

Revelation 17:14

A great multitude . . . standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb.

Revelation 7:9

They cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb."

Revelation 7:10

The Lamb as Sacrifice

A Lamb, looking as if it had been slain, standing in the center of the throne.

Revelation 5:6

"Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!"

Revelation 5:12

They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Revelation 7:14

They overcame him by the blood of the Lamb.

Revelation 12:11

THE LAMB

The Marriage of the Lamb

For the wedding of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready.

Revelation 19:7

Blessed are those who are invited to the wedding supper of the Lamb!

Revelation 19:9

Lamb worthy to open seals

The Lamb opened the first of the seven seals.

Revelation 6:1

The Lamb opened the second seal.

Revelation 6:3

The Lamb opened the third seal.

Revelation 6:5

The Lamb as Judge

They called to the mountains and the rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb!"

Revelation 6:16

If anyone worships the beast and his image and receives his mark on the forehead or on the hand, . . . will drink of the wine of God's fury, . . . will be tormented with burning sulfur in the presence of the holy angels and of the Lamb.

Revelation 14:9,10

The Lamb as Shepherd

For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd.

Revelation 7:17

THE LAMB

City of the Lamb

The wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

Revelation 21:14

The Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple.

Revelation 21:22

The glory of God gives it light, and the Lamb is its lamp.

Revelation 21:23

The river of the water of life, - - - flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb.

Revelation 22:1

The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him.

Revelation 22:3

Song of the Lamb

The song of the Lamb: "Great and marvelous are your deeds, Lord God Almighty. Just and true are your ways, King of the ages."

Revelation 15:3

Bride of the Lamb

One of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues came and said to me, "come, I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb."

Revelation 21:9

Book of the Lamb

All inhabitants of the earth will worship the beast - all whose names have not been written in the book of life belonging to the Lamb.

Revelation 13:8

Nothing impure will ever enter it, nor will anyone who does what is shameful or deceitful, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Revelation 21:27

PRAISE and WORSHIP

We find a number of praises in Revelation: the song of the living creatures, the song of the elders, the praise from the angels, the praises from great multitudes of people, the song of Moses, the song at the marriage feast of the Lamb, and also praises when some of the judgments were to be carried out.

Though many judgments are pronounced in Revelation and it describes a time of tribulation like there has never been on earth before, the book has many songs of praise and adoration.

All the songs show the worship and adoration which is given to Jesus, the Lamb of God. He is "worthy" because of His sacrifice for sin, because He is the Son of God, and because He is God.

God is spoken of as "holy" in the songs and praises, either in direct expression or by implication. He is just in His judgments.

Glory and honor are given to Jesus Christ by the living creatures, the elders, the angels, the multitudes on earth, and by those who have been redeemed.

These songs and praises are in great contrast to the words of those who do not fear God during the tribulation time. In spite of all the hard times and suffering, most people do not repent nor worship Christ. Revelation 9:20,21 describes this very well:

The rest of mankind that were not killed by these plagues still did not repent of the work of their hands; they did not stop worshiping demons, and idols of gold, silver, bronze, stone and wood - idols that cannot see or hear or walk. Nor did they repent of their murders, their magic arts, their sexual immorality or their thefts.

PRAISE and WORSHIP

Praise from living creatures

“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was, and is, and is to come.”

Revelation 4:8

Praise from living creatures

“You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being.”

Revelation 4:11

Elders and angels worship

“Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!”

Revelation 7:12

Song of many angels

“Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!”

Revelation 5:12

Song of all creatures

“To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever!”

Revelation 5:13

Praise from a multitude

“Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb.”

Revelation 7:10

PRAISE and WORSHIP

Song of creatures, elders

“You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased men for God from every tribe and language and people and nation. You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign on the earth.”

Revelation 5:9,10

Elders worship

“We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, the One who is and who was, because you have taken your great power and have begun to reign.”

Revelation 11:17

Shout in heaven

“The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he will reign for ever and ever.”

Revelation 11:15

Song of Moses, Lamb

“Great and marvelous are your deeds, Lord God Almighty. Just and true are your ways, King of the ages. Who will not fear you, O Lord, and bring glory to your name? For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship before you, for your righteous acts have been revealed.”

Revelation 15:3,4

PRAISE and WORSHIP

Shout of a multitude

“Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power belong to our God, for true and just are his judgments. He has condemned the great prostitute who corrupted the earth by her adulteries. He has avenged on her the blood of his servants.” And again they shouted: “Hallelujah! The smoke from her goes up for ever and ever.”

Revelation 19:1-3

Elders worship

“Amen, Hallelujah!”

Revelation 19:4

Praise in heaven

“Praise our God, all you his servants, you who fear him, both small and great!”

Revelation 19:5

Shout of a multitude

“Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory! For the wedding of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready. Fine linen, bright and clean, was given her to wear.”

Revelation 19:6-8

Worship God

“Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.”

Revelation 19:10

BLESSED

Those who read and hear

“Blessed is the one who reads the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear it and take to heart what is written in it, because the time is near.”

Revelation 1:3

Those who die in the Lord

“Then I heard a voice from heaven say, ‘Write: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.’ ‘Yes,’ says the Spirit, ‘they will rest from their labour, for their deeds will follow them.’”

Revelation 14:13

Those with clean clothes

“Behold, I come like a thief! Blessed is he who stays awake and keeps his clothes with him, so that he may not go naked and be shamefully exposed.”

Revelation 16:15

Those invited to wedding

“Then the angel said to me, ‘Write: Blessed are those who are invited to the wedding supper of the Lamb!’ And he added, ‘Those are the true words of God.’”

Revelation 19:9

Those in first resurrection

“Blessed and holy are those who have part in the first resurrection. The second death has no power over them, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with him for a thousand years.”

Revelation 20:6

Those who keep His words

“Behold, I am coming soon! Blessed is he who keeps the words of the prophecy in this book.”

Revelation 22:7

Those with clean robes

“Blessed are those who wash their robes, that they may have the right to the tree of life and may go through the gates into the city.” Revelation 22:14

THAT WHICH IS

Revelation 2:1-3:22

READ Revelation 2:1-3:22.

In this part are seven letters written to seven churches in Asia. Each letter is addressed to a specific church which existed in the time John lived. In these letters Jesus Christ tells the churches five different things.

- 1) Jesus, the sender of the messages is described in a different way to each church. The character of the sender meets the need for each church.
- 2) He tells them the good things they are doing, and gives them praise for these.
- 3) He tells them the sins they are doing.
- 4) He gives a warning to those who are sinning by telling them what will happen if they keep on sinning.
- 5) Jesus also gives a promise to all who overcome the tests and temptations.

Map of Asia Minor



Reference

Revelation
2:1-7

Church

Ephesus

Meaning or history

Worshipped
goddess Diana

Message sent by

He who holds the seven stars in His
right hand and walks among the
seven golden lampstands.

Praise

Jesus knows:

- 1) their deeds.
- 2) their hard work.
- 3) their perseverance.
- 4) they cannot tolerate wicked men.
- 5) they have tested those who claim to be apostles but are not, and have found them false.
- 6) they have persevered and have endured hardships for Jesus' name, and have not grown weary.
- 7) they hate the practices of the Nicolaitans.

Sin

They have forsaken their first
love.

Warning

Remember the height from which
they have fallen!

Repent and do the things they did
at first.

If they do not repent:

Jesus will come to them and
remove their lampstand from its
place.

Promise to overcomer

To him Jesus will give the right to eat
from the tree of life, which is in the
paradise of God.

Reference

Revelation
2:8-11

Church

Smyrna

Meaning or history

Myrrh

Message sent by

The First and the Last, who died and came to life again

Praise

Jesus knows:

1) their afflictions and their poverty - yet they are rich!

2) the slander of those who say they are Jews and are not, but are a synagogue of Satan.

Jesus encourages them not to be afraid of what they are about to suffer. The devil will put some of them in prison to test them and they will suffer persecution for ten days.

Sin

Warning

Promise to overcomer

Those who are faithful, even to the point of death:

- 1) Jesus will give them the crown of life.
- 2) They will not be hurt at all by the second death.

Reference

Revelation
2:12-17

Church

Pergamum

Meaning or history

The city where parchment
or pergamena was first
made

Message sent by

He who has the sharp,
double-edged sword

Praise

Jesus knows:

- 1) they live where Satan has his throne, yet they remain true to Jesus' name.
- 2) they did not renounce their faith in Jesus, even in the days of Antipas, Jesus' faithful witness, who was put to death in their city.

Sin

They have:

- 1) people there who hold to the teaching of Balaam, who taught Balak to entice the Israelites to sin by eating food sacrificed to idols and by committing sexual immorality.
- 2) those who hold to the teaching of the Nicolaitans.

Promise to overcomer

Jesus will give

- 1) some of the hidden manna.
- 2) to the one who overcomes a white stone with a new name written on it, known only to him who receives it.

Warning

Repent therefore! Otherwise,
Jesus will soon come to them
and will fight against them with
the sword of His mouth.

Reference

Revelation
2:18-29

Church

Thyatira

Meaning or history

Noted for dying
scarlet cloth

Message sent by

The Son of God, whose eyes
are like blazing fire and whose
feet are like burnished bronze

Praise

Jesus knows:

- 1) their deeds,
- 2) their love and faith
- 3) their service and perseverance
- 4) they are now doing more than they did at first
- 5) those who do not hold to Jezebel's teaching and have not learned Satan's so-called deep secrets

Sin

They tolerate that woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess. By her teaching she misleads Jesus' servants into sexual immorality and the eating of food sacrificed to idols.

Jesus gave Jezebel time to repent of her immorality, but she was unwilling.

Warning

Jesus will cast Jezebel on a bed of suffering, and will make those who commit adultery with her suffer intensely, unless they repent of her ways. Jesus will strike her children dead.

Jesus is He who searches hearts and minds, and will repay each of them according to their deeds.

Hold on to what they have until Jesus comes.

Promise to overcomer

Jesus will give to him who overcomes:

- 1) authority over the nations.
- 2) to rule the nations with an iron scepter.
- 3) the morning star.

Reference

Revelation
3:1-6

Church

Sardis

Meaning or history

Textile manufacturing
and jewel making

Message sent by

He who holds the seven spirits
of God and the seven stars

Praise

They have a few people in Sardis
who have not soiled their clothes.

Sin

Jesus knows their deeds;
they have a reputation of
being alive, but they are
dead.

Promise to overcomer

The few people in Sardis who
have not soiled their clothes will
walk with Jesus, dressed in white,
for they are worthy.

Jesus will never blot out their
names from the book of life, but will
acknowledge their names before
His Father and His Father's angels.

Warning

Wake up and strengthen what
remains and is about to die, for
Jesus has not found their deeds
complete in the sight of His God.

Remember what they have
received and heard; to obey it,
and to repent.

If they will not repent: Jesus will
come like a thief.

Reference

Revelation
3:7-13

Church

Philadelphia

Meaning or history

Brotherly love

Message sent by

He who is holy and true, who holds the key of David. What He opens no one can shut, and what He shuts, no one can open.

Praise

Jesus knows:

- 1) their deeds.
- 2) they have little strength, yet they have kept His word and have not denied His name.

Jesus has placed before them an open door that no one can shut.

They have kept Jesus' command to endure patiently.

Promise to overcomer

Jesus will make those who are of the synagogue of Satan, who claim to be Jews though they are not, but are liars, come and fall down at their feet and acknowledge that Jesus has loved them.

Jesus will also keep them from the hour of trial that is going to come upon the whole world to test those who live on the earth.

Jesus will make them pillars in temple of His God. Never again will he leave the temple.

Jesus will write on him the name of His God and the name of the city of His God, the new Jerusalem, which is coming down out of heaven from His God. Jesus will also write on them His new name.

Sin

Warning

Jesus is coming soon. They must hold on to what they have, so no one will take their crown.

Reference

Revelation
3:14-22

Church

Laodicea

Meaning or history

Named after Laodice, the wife of Antiochus II who rebuilt the city

Message sent by

The Amen, the faithful and true witness, the ruler of God's creation

Praise

Sin

Jesus knows their deeds, that they are neither cold nor hot. He wishes they were either one or the other! Because they are lukewarm - neither hot nor cold - He is about to spit them out of His mouth.

They say, "I am rich; I have acquired wealth and do not need a thing."

They do not realize that they are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind and naked.

Warning

Jesus counsels them to buy from Him gold refined in the fire, so they can become rich; to have white clothes to wear and so they can cover their shameful nakedness; and to have salve to put on their eyes so they can see.

Those whom Jesus loves, He rebukes and disciplines. Therefore they should be earnest and repent.

Jesus says, "Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with me."

Promise to overcomer

Jesus will give the right to sit with Him on His throne, just as Jesus overcame and sat down with His Father on His throne.

THAT WHICH WILL BE HEREAFTER

Revelation 4:1-22:21

READ Revelation 4:1-22:21

Chapter four opens the third part of the book of Revelation. This part tells what will happen in the future.

Rapture

Rapture means to “seize and carry away.” The rapture of the Church means that Christ is coming to take the Church to heaven. Christ will come in a cloud. The believers who died will be raised and meet Him in the air. The believers who live on earth will also meet Him in the air (1 Corinthians 15:51-54; John 14:3).

There are three ideas as to when the rapture will take place.

1) **After the tribulation (post-tribulation)**

Some people believe the Church will go through the tribulation time and then will be taken to heaven. They use Matthew 24:21,22 for their reason to believe this way.

2) **During the tribulation (mid-tribulation)**

Some people believe the Church will go through the first 3 ½ years of the tribulation. They believe that at the middle of the tribulation the Church will be taken to heaven. They use Matthew 24:21,22 as reasons for believing as they do.

3) **Before the tribulation (pre-tribulation)**

Many people believe the Church will be taken to heaven before the tribulation starts. They use Matthew 24:21; 1 Thessalonians 5:9; and 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 for the reasons they believe as they do.

These people also believe Revelation chapters 4 and 5 show the Church with Christ in heaven during the tribulation.

They believe in a second rapture when the believers who died during the tribulation will be taken up and take part with the Church in the Marriage Supper of the Lamb (Revelation 7:9-17; 19:1-10).

Tribulation

Tribulation means great “suffering.” When we talk about the tribulation time, we talk about the great suffering before Jesus Christ sets up His kingdom on earth. For some this time of tribulation began at the ascension of Christ. For others the tribulation time is seven years (Daniel 9:27), divided into two parts, each part three and one half years (Revelation 12:14; Daniel chapter 12).

Millennium

Millennium means a time of one thousand years.

The people who believe that Jesus Christ will come to take the believers to heaven at the rapture and that there will be a time of tribulation before the 1,000 year time of peace are called premillennialists. The millennium is the time when Jesus Christ will rule one thousand years on earth. During this time Satan will be tied up in the bottomless pit (Revelation 20:1-3; Isaiah chapters 11 and 12).

Another group, called the amillennialists, does not believe there will be a long time of peace before the end of the world. They believe God's millennial rule is found in the hearts of people. They believe good and evil will grow together until Jesus Christ returns to raise the dead and to judge all people.

The Last Battle

After the millennium Satan will be let loose. He will deceive many people. Satan and his followers will make war with Jesus Christ but Christ will win the war and Satan will be thrown into the Lake of Fire (Revelation 20:7-10).

The White Throne Judgment

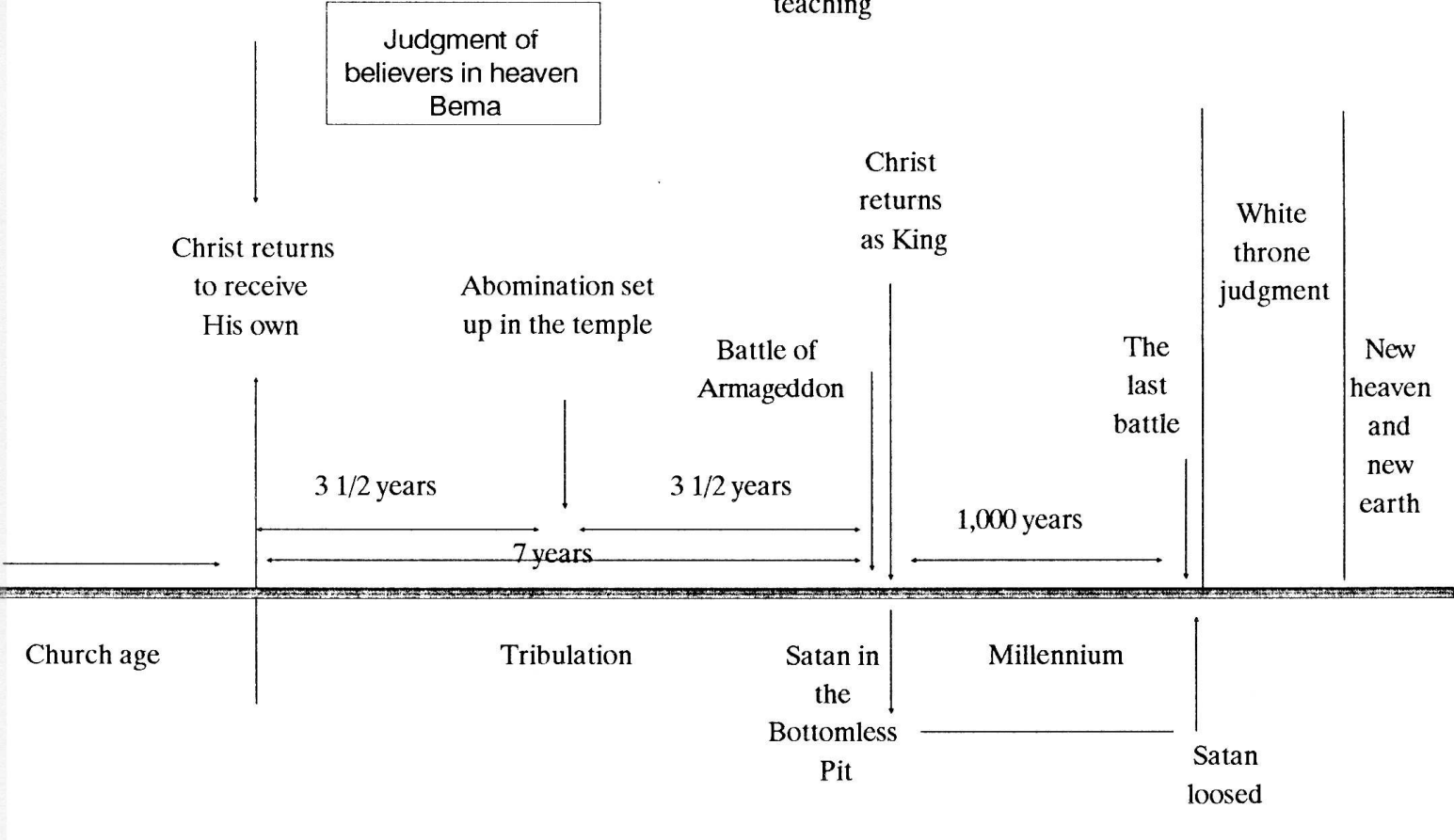
Christ will take His place on the white throne. The dead who did not believe in Christ will be raised to life. They will have to stand in front of Christ. Books and the book of life will be opened. Christ will judge all those people. Those whose names are not written in the book of life will be thrown into the Lake of Fire (Revelation 20:11-15; Philippians 2:5-11).

New Heaven and New Earth

After the judgment, the old heaven will pass away (2 Peter 3:10,11). A new earth and new heaven will be made (Revelation chapter 21).

End Time Chart

based on pre-tribulation teaching



SETTING IN HEAVEN

Revelation 4:1-5:14

Thousands of
angels speak

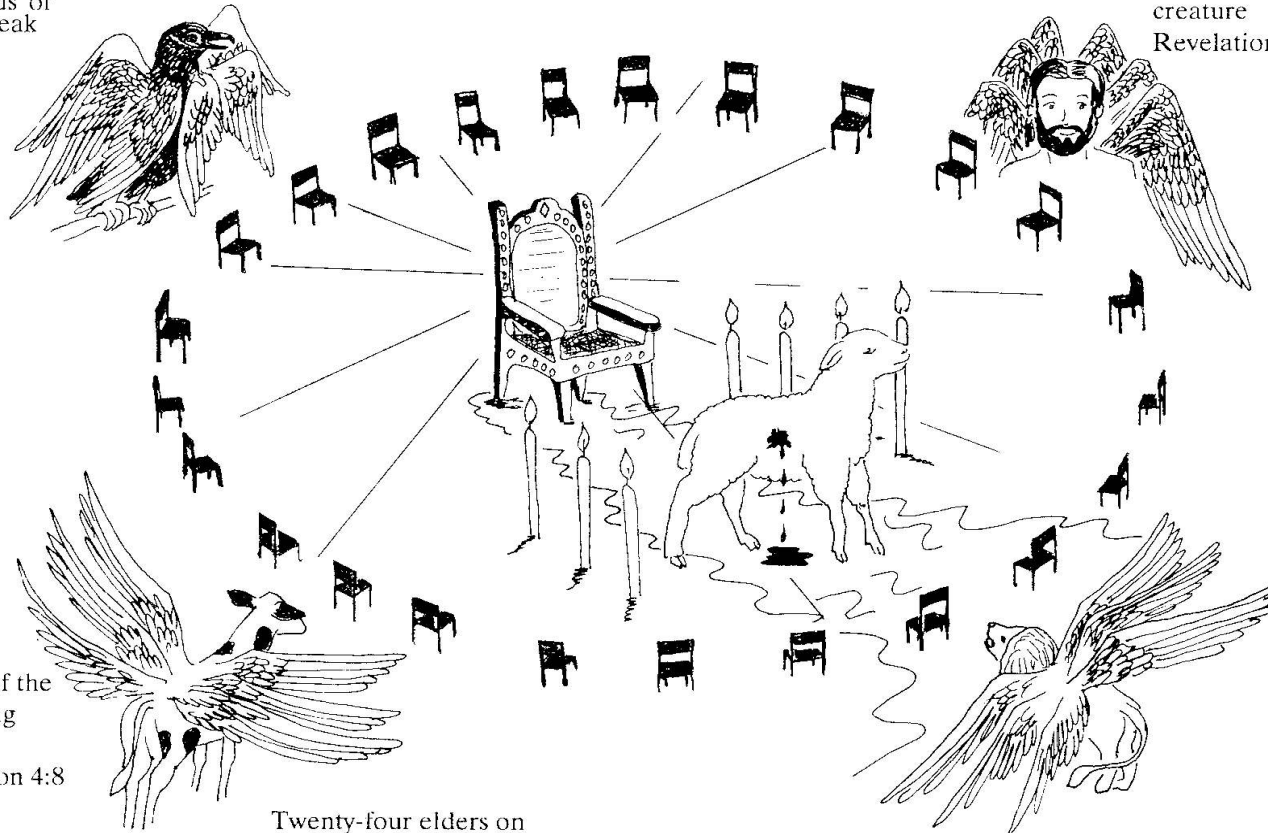
Praises of the elders











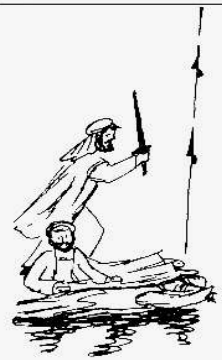
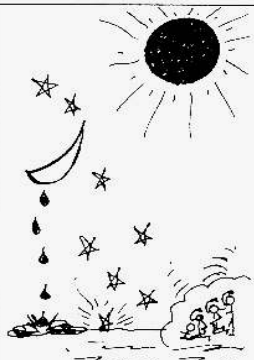
Revelation 4:10,11; Revelation 5:8-10

Praise of every
creature
Revelation 5:13


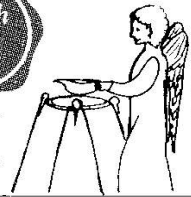


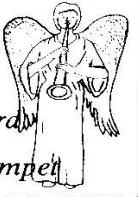




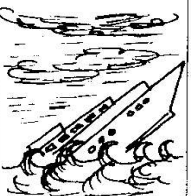


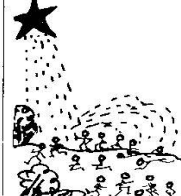

Praises of the
four living
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Revelation 4:8

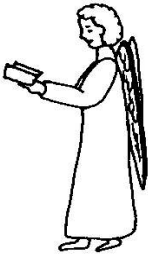
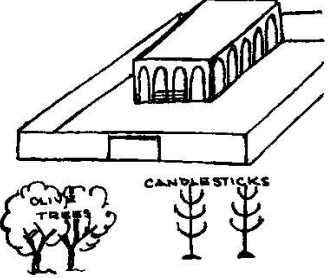

Twenty-four elders on
twenty-four thrones



| HEAVEN | | SIX SEALS | | | | Revelation 6:1-17 |
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| Revelation 6:1,2 | Revelation 6:3,4 | Revelation 6:5,6 | Revelation 6:7,8 | Revelation 6:9-11 | Revelation 6:12-17 | |
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| Opened by the Lamb in heaven | Opened by the Lamb in heaven | Opened by the Lamb in heaven | Opened by the Lamb in heaven | Souls of those who were killed because of Christ | Opened by the Lamb in heaven | |
| EARTH | | | | | | |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | |
| White horse | Red horse | Black horse | Pale horse | | Earthquake | |
| Loud Thunder Went to conquer | Took the peace of the earth | Food cost very high | Hades follows death 1/4 of people of world killed by: - sword - famine - sickness - wild animals | | Sun became black Moon like blood Stars fell from heaven Sky passed away People hid | |
| TROUBLED PEACE | WAR | FAMINE | DEATH | PERSECUTION | DESTRUCTION | |

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| <p>HEAVEN Revelation 7:1-17</p> | <p>Chapter 6 shows the Christian what is going to happen in the future. Jesus Christ is the only One Who can open the book with seven seals. Jesus Christ opens the seals in heaven. He has control over the happenings. As each seal is opened, things happen on earth.</p> <p>The horse shows what it is going to be like on earth. The man on the horse makes the things happen on the earth.</p> <p>God marked His children with marks on their foreheads. These marks were to protect them from the judgment of God.</p> |
| <p>EARTH</p> <p>Saints of God are marked. Israel - 144,000. Others - a very large number. (Those who come out of great trouble.</p> <p>Those whose clothes are made white in the blood of the Lamb.)</p> | |

| HEAVEN | | SEVENTH SEAL AND SEVEN TRUMPETS | | | | | Revelation 8:1-9:21 | |
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|  Rev. 8:1-5 Heaven quiet 1/2 hour  | Rev. 8:6,7 First Trumpet  | Rev. 8:8,9 Second Trumpet  | Rev. 8:10,11 Third Trumpet  | Rev. 8:12 Fourth Trumpet  | Rev. 8:13 "Woe, woe, woe, to those who live on the earth" | Rev. 9:1-12 Fifth Trumpet  | Rev. 9:13-21 Sixth Trumpet  | |
| <i>With the seventh seal - seven trumpets are blown</i> | | | | | | <i>First woe</i> | <i>Second woe</i> | |
| EARTH Chapter 8 tells of the seventh seal opened. With the seventh seal there are seven trumpets. As a trumpet is blown, a judgment comes to the earth. Chapter 9 also tells of the trumpets. |  hail fire blood 1/3 of earth burned 1/3 of trees burned All grass burned EARTH |  1/3 of sea became blood 1/3 of living creatures in sea died 1/3 of ships destroyed SEA |  1/3 of water became poison when star fell on rivers and springs Many people died WATER SUPPLIES |  1/3 of sun 1/3 of moon 1/3 of stars were hurt 1/3 of day no light 1/3 of night no light SUN MOON STARS |  For 5 months locusts tormented men who did not have the mark of God. People could not die. |  Four angels let loose at Euphrates 200,000,000 horsemen 1/3 of all living men were killed. Men did not turn from sin EUPHRATES RIVER | | |

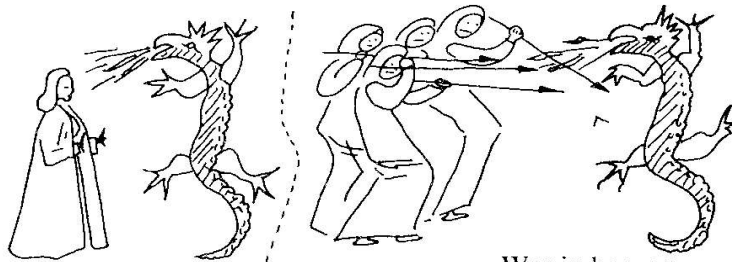
| HEAVEN | | SEVEN THUNDERS, TWO PROPHETS, SEVENTH TRUMPET | |
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| Revelation 10:1-11  | Revelation 11:1-14  | Revelation 11:15-19 Seventh Trumpet  Third woe | Voices in heaven: "The kingdoms of the world become the kingdoms of our Lord." 24 elders worship God - temple is opened and the ark is seen in the temple. |
| EARTH Seven thunders spoke The seven thunders were sealed Time was no more John took the book and he ate it. It was sweet in his mouth and bitter in his stomach. | Holy city walked on for 42 months to wreck it. Two prophets Work for 42 months, then are killed by the beast, after 3 1/2 days rise again and go to heaven - earthquake, 1/10 of the city fell, 7,000 men died. People gave glory to God. | Kingdoms of the world become the kingdoms of CHRIST Lightnings Voices Earthquake Great hail Nations of the earth were angry. | Chapter 10 has the vision of a great angel with a little book in his hand. This angel makes things ready for the last judgment. God sends two prophets into the world. They do great miracles. They work for 3 1/2 years. Then they are killed by the beast. After 3 1/2 days they live again. They go up to heaven. Chapter 11 tells about these things. Chapter 11 also tells about the 7th trumpet and the judgment that comes with this trumpet. At this time all the nations come before Jesus Christ. They are judged for the sin they did against Israel. |

HEAVEN

Revelation 12:1-17

Saying in heaven:
Revelation 12:10-12

The
Child was
taken to God

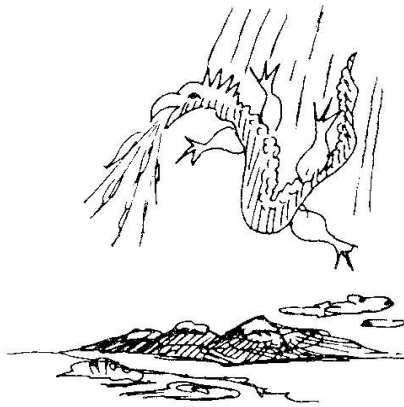


War in heaven

EARTH

The dragon (Satan)
is thrown to the
earth.

Satan made war
with the children of
the woman - those
who obeyed the
laws of God and
who kept the
teachings of Jesus
Christ.





THE WOMAN AND THE DRAGON

Chapter 12 tells about a vision of a woman and the red dragon, Satan.

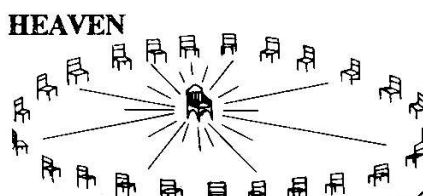
The woman was to give birth to a man child. The dragon wanted to kill the child when it was born. The child was taken away from the dragon and was taken up to God and to His throne. This child will rule the nations with a rod of iron.

There was war in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, or Satan. The dragon was thrown to the earth. He was angry and fought with the other children of the woman. The children of the woman are those who obeyed the laws of God and kept the teachings of **Jesus Christ**.

The woman was kept in a safe place in the wilderness for 3 1/2 years.

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| <p>HEAVEN</p> <p>Revelation 13:1-10</p> | <p>THE TWO BEASTS</p> <p>Revelation 13:1-18</p> <p>Revelation 13:11-18</p> | <p>Later the sea beast is called "the beast".</p> <p>The sea beast</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - is like a leopard - has seven heads - has ten horns - has a headband or crown on each horn - has a mouth like a lion - has feet like a bear - speaks bad things about God. <p>Later the land beast is called the "false prophet".</p> <p>The land beast</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - is like a lamb - has two horns - speaks like a dragon <p>False trinity</p> <p>Dragon - Satan Antichrist - Sea beast False prophet - Land beast</p> |
| <p>EARTH</p>  <p>Sea beast</p> <p>The dragon gave the sea beast his power, his seat, and his great authority for 42 months.</p> <p>People worshipped the dragon</p> <p>People worshipped the beast</p> <p>The beast made war with the saints</p> <p>The beast ruled all nations</p> <p>ANTICHRIST</p> |  <p>Land beast</p> <p>The land beast made the people worship the sea beast.</p> <p>This beast did great wonders. He deceived those who live on earth. He had an image made of the sea beast - the image could speak. Those who did not worship the image of the sea beast were killed.</p> <p>This beast made everyone get a mark on the right hand or on the forehead.</p> <p>No one could buy or sell without the mark of the beast.</p> <p>The number of his name is 666.</p> <p>FALSE PROPHET</p> | |

HEAVEN

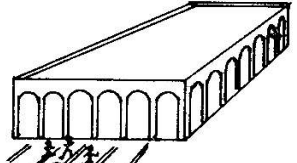









THE HARVEST

"From now on those who are dead who died belonging to the Lord will be happy".

Revelation 14:13

Revelation 14:1-20



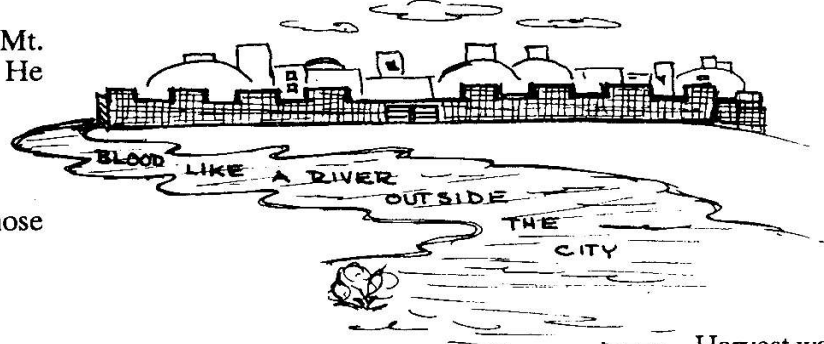
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| <p>14:6,7</p>  <p>Message: Honor God with love and fear Worship God</p> | <p>14:8</p>  <p>Message: Babylon has fallen</p> | <p>14:9-12</p>  <p>Message: Those who worship the beast will be tormented</p> | <p>14:14</p>  <p>SON OF MAN</p> | <p>14:15</p>  <p>Message: "Use your sickle and gather the harvest"</p> | <p>14:17</p>  | <p>14:18</p>  <p>Message: "Use your sickle and gather in the grapes from vine of the earth"</p> |
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EARTH

Chapter 14 shows Jesus Christ, the Lamb, standing on Mt. Zion. With Him are 144,000. They praise Jesus Christ because He bought them with His blood.

Three angels come. They preach the Gospel, and warn those who would worship the beast that they will be punished.

The Son of Man comes on a cloud, and three more angels ask Him to gather in the harvest. The wicked are crushed with punishment.



Harvest was gathered on the earth - much blood was shed.











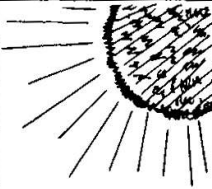

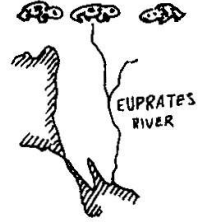

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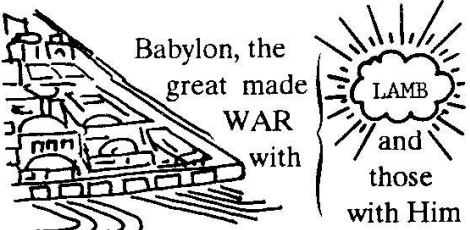



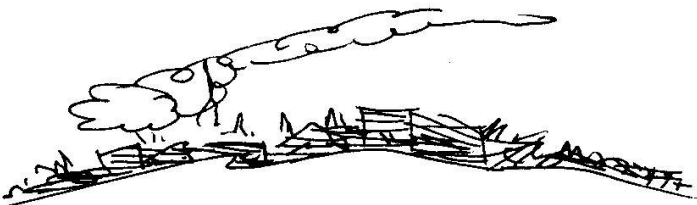
SEVEN BOWLS


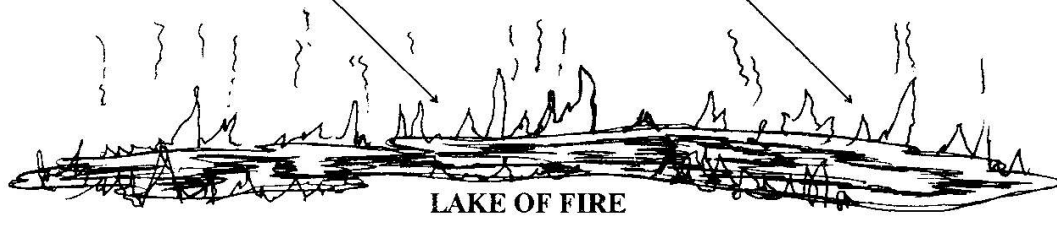
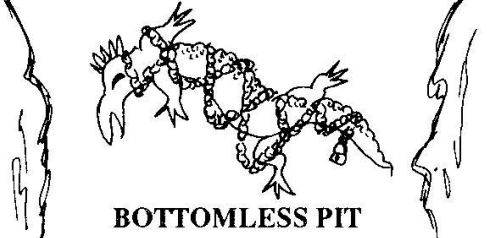
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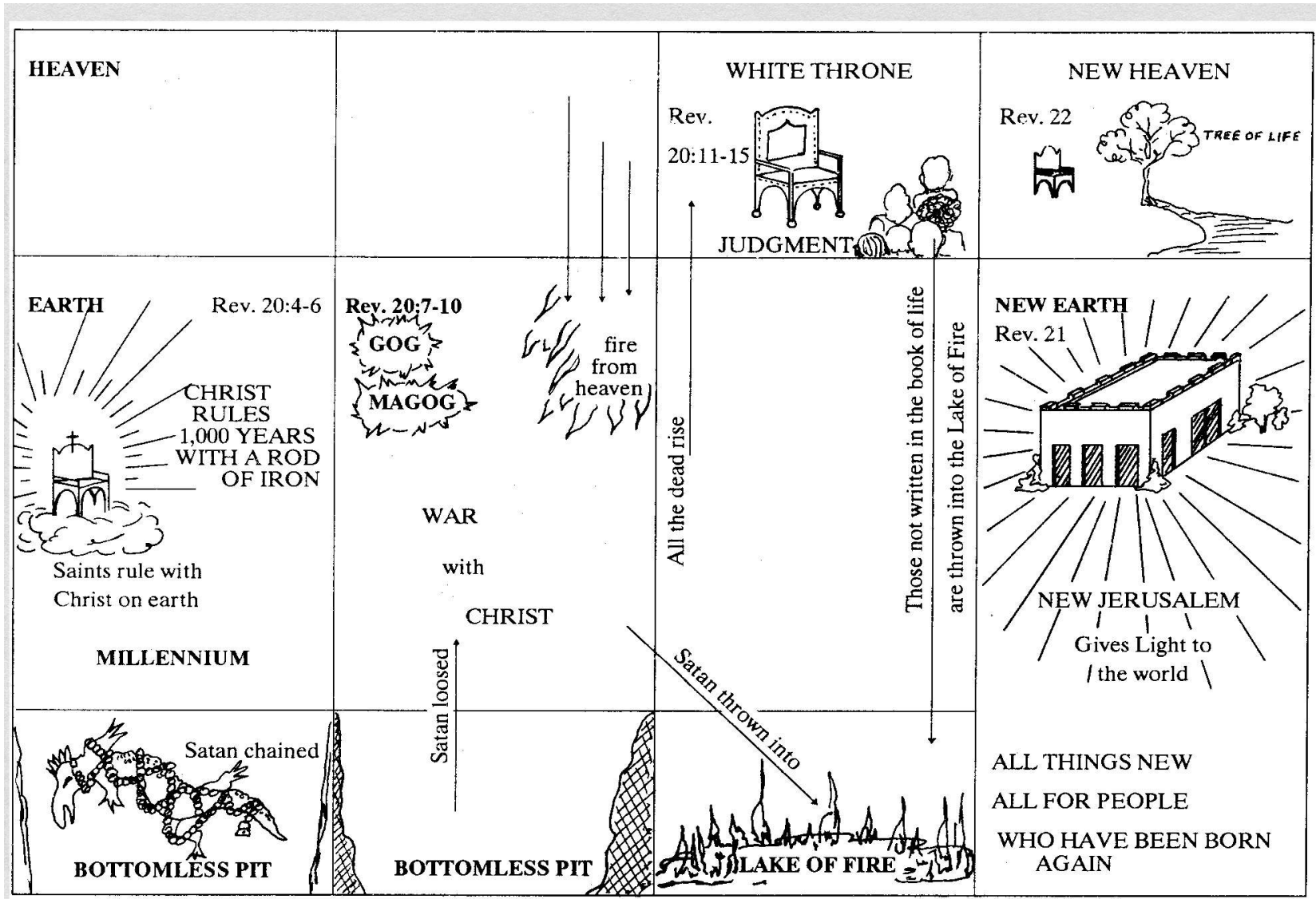
Song of Moses
Song of the Lamb

Temple is opened and seven angels come out with seven bowls of judgment

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|  <p>16:1,2 <i>First Bowl</i></p> |  <p>16:3 <i>Second Bowl</i></p> |  <p>16:4-7 <i>Third Bowl</i></p> |  <p>16:8,9 <i>Fourth Bowl</i></p> |  <p>16:10,11 <i>Fifth Bowl</i></p> |  <p>16:12-16 <i>Sixth Bowl</i></p> |  <p>16:17-21 <i>Seventh Bowl</i></p> |
| <p>EARTH</p>  <p>poured out -</p> <p>painful sores on everyone who had the mark of the beast</p> <p>EARTH</p> |  <p>poured out -</p> <p>on the sea and it turned into blood as of a dead man</p> <p>every living thing in the sea died</p> <p>SEA</p> |  <p>poured out -</p> <p>on the rivers and fountains of water</p> <p>they become as blood</p> <p>WATER SUPPLIES</p> |  <p>poured out -</p> <p>on the sun men were scorched with great heat</p> <p>men spoke evil of God - did not repent</p> <p>SUN</p> |  <p>poured out -</p> <p>on the throne of the beast his kingdom became darkness</p> <p>men spoke evil of God - did not repent</p> <p>THRONE OF BEAST</p> |  <p>poured out -</p> <p>on the River Euphrates</p> <p>three unclean spirits came out of: Dragon, beast, false prophet</p> <p>EUPHRATES RIVER</p> |  <p>poured out -</p> <p>into air - thunder lightning earthquake</p> <p>city divided into 3 parts</p> <p>hail</p> <p>men spoke evil of God</p> <p>AIR</p> |

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| <p>HEAVEN</p> | <p>BABYLON THE GREAT</p> <p>Revelation 17:1-18:24</p> | | | <p>Chapters 15 and 16 tell of the last plagues which will come upon the earth.</p> |
| <p>EARTH</p>  <p>Babylon, the great made WAR with those with Him</p> | <p>Message:</p>  <p>Babylon the great is fallen!</p> | <p>Message:</p>  <p>God's people come out of Babylon.</p> | <p>Message:</p>  <p>As this big stone is thrown down, so Babylon will be thrown down.</p> | <p>Babylon is a city. This city will be ruled by a false religion. The leaders of this religion will make people sin more than the old Babylon did.</p> |
| <p>The woman is the great city. This city is on seven hills. The waters are many nations. There are seven kings -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - five kings have been - one king is - one king is to come |  <p>Babylon will not be found ANYMORE</p> | | | <p>Chapter 17 shows the false religion as a woman who does sex sins. The false religion and the sinful people of the earth will make war against the Lamb (Jesus Christ).</p> |
| <p>There are ten horns - these are ten kings - they will rule a short time and then give their power to the beast. The woman is drunk with the blood of the saints.</p> | <p>Babylon was:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - center of world selling and buying - cheating in business - place of sex sins - very religious | | | <p>Chapter 18 tells about the fall of the city of Babylon. The people of the world will be sad because they will not be able to get what they want.</p> |

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| <p>HEAVEN MARRIAGE OF THE LAMB, THE LAMB MAKES WAR WITH THE BEAST</p> <p>Songs: Revelation 19:1-10</p> <p>MARRIAGE OF THE LAMB <i>"Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory! For the wedding of the Lamb has come."</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Revelation 19:6,7</p> | <p>SATAN CHAINED</p> <p>Revelation 19:1-20:3</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;">Revelation 19:11-21</p> <p>EARTH</p> <p>Armies of heaven followed</p> <p>Faithful and True on white horse</p> <p>KING of KINGS LORD of LORDS</p> <p>WAR with BEAST</p> <p>BATTLE OF ARMAGEDDON</p> <p>KINGS OF EARTH ARMIES OF EARTH</p> <p>the rest were killed</p> <p>beast false prophet</p> <p style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg);">The believers who died during the tribulation are taken to heaven</p> | <p>Revelation 20:1-3</p> <p>Angel chained the Dragon (Satan) and threw him into the bottomless pit</p>  |
|  <p style="text-align: center;">LAKE OF FIRE</p> |  <p style="text-align: center;">BOTTOMLESS PIT</p> |



**The Spirit and the bride say, “Come!” And let him who hears say,
“Come!” Whoever is thirsty, let him come; and whoever wishes, let
him take the free gift of the water of life.**

**I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book:
If anyone adds anything to them, God will add to him the plagues
described in this book.**

**And if anyone takes words away from this book of prophecy, God will
take away from him his share in the tree of life and in the holy city,
which are described in this book.**

**He who testifies to these things says, “Yes, I am coming soon.”
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Revelation 22:17-20

LAST WORDS