

## ***OVERVIEW OF END TIME EVENTS***

### ***Part 1***

#### **Introduction**

The Book of Revelation gives us the greatest amount of prophetic information concerning the End Times, more than any other book in the entire Bible. It is also a book that reveals the glory of Jesus as one who is fully man and fully God (Rev 1:1). Revelation gives us insight into the glory, splendor, majesty and power of Jesus Christ. It also reveals God's plan to redeem the earth through His Son's exaltation as the only one to be considered worthy enough to cleanse both the heavens and earth.

#### **I. WHAT THE BOOK OF REVELATION IS NOT ABOUT**

- A. It is not about the end of the world. Ps 37:29, 78:69, 105:10-11, 125:1-2, 1 Chr 23:25, 28:8, Isa 60:21, Ez 37:25, Joel 3:20

***Psalm 104:5 "You who laid the foundations of the earth, So that it should not be moved forever"***

- B. It is not primarily about how much suffering will take place under the wicked rule of a future world leader known as the anti-christ.
- C. It is not primarily about the greatest persecution the Jewish people will have to endure under the reign of the anti-christ.

#### **II. WHAT THE BOOK OF REVELATION IS ABOUT**

- A. It is the revelation of Jesus Christ, the only human who is worthy before God to rightly claim possession of the earth.

***Revelation 1:1 "The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show His servants—things which must shortly take place. And He sent and signified it by His angel to His servant John"***

***Revelation 5:4-5 "So I wept much, because no one was found worthy to open and read the scroll, or to look at it. <sup>5</sup> 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 its seven seals."***

- B. It is about the fulfillment of God's plan and the return of His Son to take leadership of the nations and restore the earth.

- C. It is about the Church in her mature state as the Bride of Christ. She is completely walking out the great commandment:

***Mark 12:30-31*** "And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. This is the first commandment. And the second, like it, is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these.'"

1. She is completely under the Spirit's leadership and walking in complete agreement with the will and desire of God for that day and hour.

***Revelation 22:17*** "And the Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let him who hears say, "Come!" And let him who thirsts come. Whoever desires, let him take the water of life freely."

2. She is releasing the End-Time judgments through her prayers and the prayers of all the redeemed saints from all history.

***Revelation 8:3-6*** "Then another angel, having a golden censer, came and stood at the altar. He was given much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all the saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne. And the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the saints, ascended before God from the angel's hand. <sup>5</sup> Then the angel took the censer, filled it with fire from the altar, and threw it to the earth. And there were noises, thunderings, lightnings, and an earthquake. So the seven angels who had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound."

- D. It is about the restoration and salvation of Israel.

***Isaiah 62:1*** "For Zion's sake I will not hold My peace, And for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, Until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, And her salvation as a lamp that burns."

- E. It is about the salvation and restoration of all the earth.

***Micah 4:2*** "Many nations shall come and say, " Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, To the house of the God of Jacob; He will teach us His ways, And we shall walk in His paths." For out of Zion the law shall go forth, And the word of the LORD from Jerusalem."

### III. THE PROPHETIC CALLING TO PROPHECY END-TIME REVELATION

The Apostle John was known as the Apostle of Love. His love and closeness to Jesus during His earthly ministry was a trigger of jealousy among the other followers of Jesus. It is interesting to note that it was the disciple of love (intimacy) that received the revelation of End-Time events (prophetic urgency). Chapter 1 of revelation also describes prophetically the prophetic call on the End-Time Church to love God wholly and accept her calling to be End-Time messengers.

#### A. John the Baptist- Repentance and Preparation

**Luke 3:2-6** "while Annas and Caiaphas were high priests, the word of God came to John the son of Zacharias in the wilderness. <sup>3</sup> And he went into all the region around the Jordan, preaching a baptism of repentance for the remission of sins, <sup>4</sup> as it is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet, saying:  
" *The voice of one crying in the wilderness:*

*"Prepare the way of the LORD; Make His paths straight. Every valley shall be filled And every mountain and hill brought low; The crooked places shall be made straight And the rough ways smooth; And all flesh shall see the salvation of God."*

#### B. The Apostle John- Intimacy and Urgency -Rev 1:1, Rev 1:3, Rev 1:19, Rev10:11

### IV. PROPHETIC MESSAGES FOR THE END-TIME CHURCH

Jesus gives seven letters to the seven churches in John's day. The wisdom and instruction Jesus has John write down are for the seven churches to help establish them in truth and to help them live as overcomers in the midst of Roman persecution.

A. These seven letters are filled with prophetic promises that will help the church today to stand against compromise and contend for fullness in the things of God. Applying these seven messages gives us practical insight in overcoming sin and remaining strong in the midst of persecution and moral compromise.

B. Applying the prophetic messages of the seven letters will prepare the Church to stand alongside Christ and qualify her to be His partner in releasing the End-Time judgments that will eventually cause Jesus to return and take leadership of the earth.

C. Four repeated phrases declared seven times

1. To the Angel of the Church of:
2. I know your works
3. He who overcomes
4. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the Churches