

REVELATION

Are we living in the end times?

Week 1: Jesus Revealed

Revelation 1

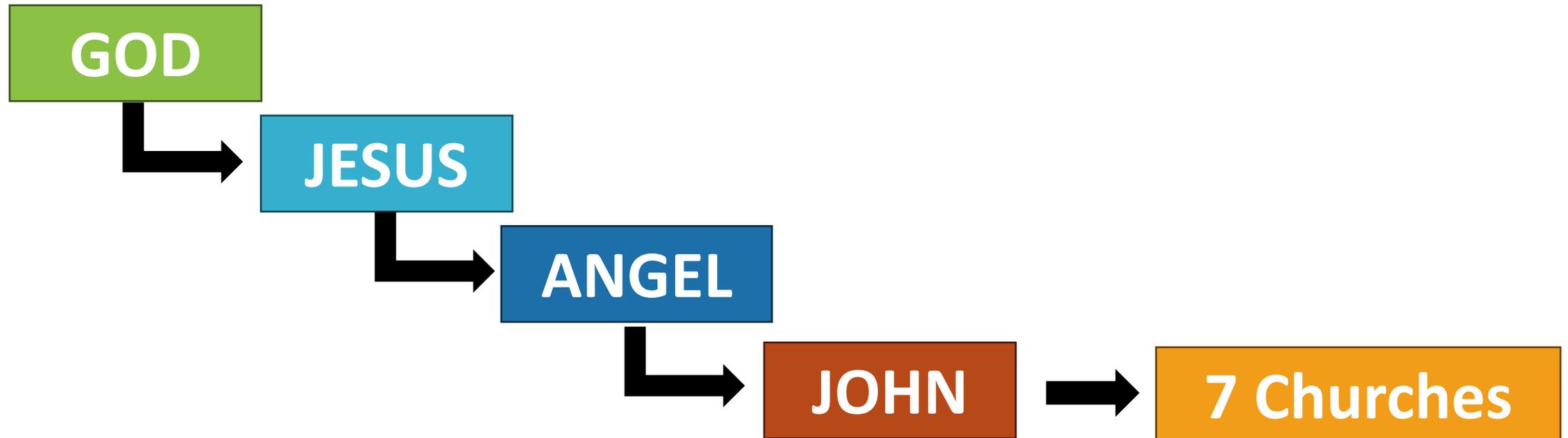
Revelation Meaning

Revelation = Gk. “apokalupsis”

Meaning = to reveal; make known; disclose;
bring out into the open.

Author, Date, Transmission

- Author: John, the apostle
- Date: ~ A.D. 95
- Transmission:



7 Beatitudes of Revelation

1. **Rev. 1:3 – *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...***
2. **Rev. 14:3 – *Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.***
3. **Rev. 16:15 – *Blessed is he who stays awake...***
4. **Rev. 19:9 – *Blessed are those who are invited to the wedding supper of the Lamb!***

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5. **Rev. 20:6 – *Blessed and holy are those who have part in the first resurrection.***
6. **Rev. 22:7 – *Blessed is he who keeps the words of the prophecy in this book.***
7. **Rev. 22:14 – *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.***

Four Schools of Interpretation

Preterist

1st Century before
AD 70

Historicist

Throughout
history

Spiritualist

Allegorical;
symbolic only

Futurist

Literal; mostly still
future

Rules of Interpretation

1 Let context/genre inform the author's intent.

2 Keep the consecutive order of Revelation.

3 Literal meaning first; then figurative.

4 Let the Bible be its own interpreter.

5 Do not add to or take away from Scripture.

The Trinity

God the Father

'who is, and who was, and who is to come' (Rev. 4:8)

God the Holy Spirit

'the sevenfold Spirit' (Zec. 4:1-6; Isa. 11:12)

God the Son

Jesus Christ

Names/Titles of Jesus in Revelation

- The faithful witness
- The firstborn from the dead
- The ruler of the kings of the earth
- The First and the Last
- The Living One
- The Son of God/Son of Man
- The Amen
- The faithful and true witness
- The ruler of God's creation

- The Lion of the tribe of Judah
- The Root of David
- The Lamb
- Faithful and True
- The Word of God
- KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS
- The Alpha and the Omega
- The Beginning and the End
- The bright Morning Star

Seven Churches of Revelation

— Chapters 2-3 —

- 1 Ephesus
- 2 Smyrna
- 3 Pergamos
- 4 Thyatira
- 5 Sardis
- 6 Philadelphia
- 7 Laodicea

Island of Patmos: where John received the vision



'One Like the Son of Man'

- 1. Robe/Sash = He is the Great High Priest**
- 2. White Hair = He is the Wisdom/Purity of the Ages**
- 3. Eyes like Blazing Fire = He is All-Seeing/All-Knowing**
- 4. Feet of Bronze = He is the Everlasting Lord**
- 5. Voice of Rushing Waters = He is Eternal Word of God**
- 6. Double-edged Sword = He is the Great Judge**
- 7. Face like the Sun = He is the Glory of God**

Rev. 1:19 – Outline of Revelation

*What you
have seen...*

Ch. 1

*What is
now...*

Ch. 2-3

*What will
take place
later...*

Ch. 4-22

Revelation Timeline

