## The Grand Reveal!

**Rev 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,

Rev 1:2 who bore witness to the word of God, and to the testimony of Jesus Christ, to all things that **he saw**.

"eido"- to see

Used 70 times in Revelation (interesting number!).

Of those 70 times, it is translated "know" 8 times in reference to the works of the 7 churches.

1 x "You know" Sir, thou knowest...

2x Satan "knew", "Saw"

1x The woman sits a queen and "shall see" no sorrow

1x name written that no man "knew" but He himself

The other 57 TIMES!!! it is used by John as something that he saw, beheld, looked at!

## John's perspective:

Was he back looking forward, or forward looking back? (Hint: Daniel, the other "greatly beloved", was given visions looking forward... John sees some of the same visions as Daniel, but in reverse order! We'll develope this as the series progresses)

#### Let's see what John saw!

Rev 1:3 Blessed *is* he who reads and those who hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written in it; for the time *is* near.

Rev 1:4 John, to the seven churches which are in Asia: (Modern day Turkey- seven districts each having a major city as it's central hub) Grace to you and peace from Him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven Spirits who are before His throne, (Greetings from the Father!)

- Rev 1:5 and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler over the kings of the earth. To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood, *Gentle reminder*, we are clean because He washed us!
- Rev 1:6 and has made us kings and priests to <u>His God and Father</u>, to Him *be* glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

## See Ephesians 2

- **Eph 2:1** And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins, **Eph 2:2** in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience,
- Eph 2:3 among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, just as the others.
- Eph 2:4 But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us,
- Eph 2:5 even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved),
- Eph 2:6 and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,
- Eph 2:7 that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.
- When Jesus cried out on the cross "My God, My God, why have you forsaken me?" He was in our place.
- Because He took our place, died for our sins, was resurrected for our life, He can call the Father His God.
- He is seated at the Father's right hand, and we're seated right there with Him!
- Rev 1:7 Behold, <u>He is coming with clouds</u>, and every eye will see Him, even they who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him. Even so, Amen.

#### **HE IS COMING-** *twice*!!!

- **Jud 1:14** Now Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied about these men also, saying, "Behold, the Lord comes <u>with</u> ten thousands of His saints,
- Jud 1:15 to execute judgment on all, to convict all who are ungodly among

- them of all their ungodly deeds which they have committed in an ungodly way, and of all the harsh things which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him."
- **Dan 7:13** "I was watching in the night visions, And behold, One like the Son of Man, Coming with the clouds of heaven! He came to the Ancient of Days, And they brought Him near before Him.
- Dan 7:14 Then to Him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, That all peoples, nations, and languages should serve Him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion, Which shall not pass away, And His kingdom the one Which shall not be destroyed.
- **Mat 26:62** And the high priest arose and said to Him, "Do You answer nothing? What is it these men testify against You?"
- Mat 26:63 But Jesus kept silent. And the high priest answered and said to Him, "I put You under oath by the living God: Tell us if You are the Christ, the Son of God!"
- Mat 26:64 Jesus said to him, "It is as you said. Nevertheless, I say to you, hereafter you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Power, and coming on the clouds of heaven."
- **Mat 24:29** "Immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken.
- Mat 24:30 Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.
- Mat 24:31 And He will send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.
- **Zec 12:10** "And I will pour on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem the Spirit of grace and supplication; then they will look on Me whom they pierced. Yes, they will mourn for Him as one mourns for his only son, and grieve for Him as one grieves for a firstborn.
- Zec 12:11 In that day there shall be a great mourning in Jerusalem, like the mourning at Hadad Rimmon in the plain of Megiddo.
- Zec 12:12 And the land shall mourn, every family by itself: the family of the house of David by itself, and their wives by themselves; the family of the house of Nathan by itself, and their wives by themselves;

Zec 12:13 the family of the house of Levi by itself, and their wives by themselves; the family of Shimei by itself, and their wives by themselves;

Zec 12:14 all the families that remain, every family by itself, and their wives by themselves.

# All the tribes of the earth, "those who dwell on the earth" will mourn at the coming of Jesus.

Does the Church mourn when Jesus comes for us???

**Tit 2:11** For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men,

Tit 2:12 teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age,

Tit 2:13 looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,

## NO! The Church does NOT mourn at the coming of our Lord! The Bride doesn't burst into tears when the trumpet sounds and the words fill the air;

### **BEHOLD! THE BRIDEGROOM COMETH!!!!**

Rev 1:7 Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him, even they who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him. Even so, Amen.

Rev 1:8 "I am the Alpha and the Omega, *the* Beginning and *the* End," says the Lord, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

Names and titles (descriptions) are important.

In Revelation alone, Jesus - The Messiah- is described in 33 ways:

The Faithful Witness	1:5	
The firstborn from the dead	1:5	
The ruler over the kings of the earth	1:5	
The Alpha and Omega	1:8	
The Beginning and the End	1:8	
The One who is, Who was, and who is to come		
The Almighty	1:8	
The First and the Last	1:11 & 17	
The Son of Man	1:13	

He who lives	1:18	
He who holds the seven stars in his right hand, and who walks in		
the midst of the seven golden lampstands 2:1		
He who has the sharp two-edged sword	2:12	
The Son of God	2:18	
He who has eyes like flames of fire	2:18	
He who has feet like fine brass	2:18	
He who has the seven spirits of God	3:1	
He who is holy	<b>3:</b> 7	
He who is true	<b>3:</b> 7	
He who has the key of David	<b>3:</b> 7	
The Amen	3:14	
The Faithful and True Witness	3:14	
The Beginning of the creation of God	3:14	
The Lion of the Tribe of Judah	5:5	
The Root of David	5:5, 22:16	
The Lamb (28 t	imes!)	
The Lord, Holy and True	6:10	
The Lord Almighty	15:3	
King of the saints	15:3	
The Word of God	19:13	
King of kings, and Lord of lords	19:16	
The Bright and Morning Star	22:16	
The Lord Jesus	22:20	
The Lord Jesus Christ	22;21	

As we celebrate Thanksgiving Day week, I am eternally thankful for the vision of Jesus we see in Revelation as He is today! Risen, Glorified, Walking among His church!

**Happy Thanksgiving!!**