

1. Introduction to Revelation
 - a. Written by the Apostle John from the Isle of Patmos after he was sent there by Domitian in 95 ID
2. Vs. 1. Revelation (from the veil; Shekinah) Jesus is speaking from the heavenly tabernacle, with the veil removed. Written to his Bondservants.
 - a. Bondservants are Jews who have been set free but choose to become slaves to their beloved master. Specifically, these are the 144,000 mentioned in chapter 7 and 14.
 - b. When the end times begin they will happen very quickly
3. Vs. 2-3 John knows Jesus
 - a. Read, hear and heed and be blessed
4. God likes the number 7

7 Churches	7 Horns	7 heads
7 Letters	7 Eyes	7 crowns
7 Spirits	7 Angels	7 Plagues
7 Golden Lampstands	7 Trumpets	7 Golden bowls
7 Stars	7 Thunders	7 heads
7 Seals	7 thousand people	7 Mountains
		7 Kings

5. Vs. 4 John to the seven churches that are in Asia: 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,
 - a. First greeting is to the seven churches. Grace and peace to Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia, and Laodicea.
 - b. Him who is and who was and who is to come: God
 - c. Seven Spirits: Spirit: wisdom, understanding, counsel, might, knowledge, godliness, and the fear of God. Isa 11:2-3
 - d. Zechariah 4: 7 Lampstands and 2 witnesses
 - e. Rev 1:8 who is and who was and who is to come
6. Patmos and 7 churches image
7. Seven spirits: wisdom, understanding, counsel, might, knowledge, godliness, and the fear of God. Isa 11:2-3
8. Zechariah 4 Then the angel who had been speaking with me returned and woke me, like a person who is awakened from his sleep. ² And he said to

me, “What do you see?” And I said, “I see, and behold, a lampstand all of gold with its bowl on the top of it, and its seven lamps on it with seven spouts *belonging to each of the lamps* which are on the top of it; ³ also two olive trees by it, one on the right side of the bowl and the other on its left side.”

- 11 Then I said to him, “What are these two olive trees on the right of the lampstand and on its left?” ¹² And I responded the second time and said to him, “What are the two olive ^[f]branches which are beside the two golden pipes, which empty the golden *oil* from themselves?” ¹³ So he answered me, saying, “Do you not know what these are?” And I said, “No, my lord.” ¹⁴ Then he said, “These are the two ^[g]anointed ones, who are standing by the Lord of the whole earth.”

9. Vs. 5: ...and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of **the kings of the earth**. To Him who loves us and released us from our sins by His blood—

a. Who are the Kings of the earth

10. Important: Who are the Kings of the Earth?

- a. [1Ki 4:34 NASB] Men came from all peoples to hear the wisdom of Solomon, from all the kings of the earth who had heard of his wisdom.
- b. [1Ki 10:23 NASB] So King Solomon became greater than all the kings of the earth in riches and in wisdom.
- c. [2Ch 9:23 NASB] And all the kings of the earth were seeking the presence of Solomon, to hear his wisdom which God had put in his heart.

11. Kings of the earth

- a. Psalm 2:2 The kings of the earth take their stand And the rulers conspire together Against the Lord and against His ^[b]Anointed, saying, ³ “Let’s tear their shackles apart And throw their ropes away from us!”
- b. ⁴ He who ^[c]sits in the heavens laughs, The Lord scoffs at them. ⁵ Then He will speak to them in His anger And terrify them in His fury, saying, ⁶ “But as for Me, I have installed My King Upon Zion, My holy mountain.”

12. Kings of the Earth

- a. [Mat 17:25 NASB] He said, "Yes." And when he came into the house, Jesus spoke to him first, saying, "What do you think, Simon? From whom do the kings of the earth collect customs or poll-tax, from their sons or from strangers?"

13. Kings of the Earth

- a. [Psa 89:27 NASB] "I also shall make him [My] firstborn, The highest of the kings of the earth.
- b. [Psa 102:15 NASB] So the nations will fear the name of the LORD And all the kings of the earth Your glory.
- c. [Isa 24:21 NASB] So it will happen in that day, That the LORD will punish the host of heaven on high, And the kings of the earth on earth.

14. Kings of the Earth

- a. [Act 4:26 NASB] 'the kings of the earth took their stand, and the rulers were gathered together against the lord and against his Christ.'
- b. [Rev 6:15 NASB] Then the kings of the earth and the great men and the commanders and the rich and the strong and every slave and free man hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains;

15. Kings of the Earth

- a. [Rev 17:18 NASB] "The woman whom you saw is the great city, which reigns over the kings of the earth."
- b. [Rev 19:19 NASB] And I saw the beast and the kings of the earth and their armies assembled to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army.

16. Vs. 6 and He has made us [to be] a kingdom, priests to His God and Father-to Him [be] the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

17. Kingdom of Priests

- a. Exodus 19:6 and you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words that you shall speak to the sons of Israel."
- b. Revelation 5:9-10 "Worthy are You to take the scroll and to break its seals; for You were slaughtered, and You purchased people for God with Your blood from every tribe, language, people, and nation. "You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to our God; and they will reign upon the earth."

18. Vs. 7 Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see Him, even those who pierced Him; and all the tribes of the earth will mourn over Him. So it is to be. Amen.

19. Coming With the Clouds

- a. [Mar 14:62] and Jesus said, "I am; and you shall see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of power, and coming with the clouds of heaven."
- b. [Mat 24:30] "And then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of the sky with power and great glory.

20. He Was Pierced

- a. [Psa 22:16 NASB] For dogs have surrounded me; A band of evildoers has encompassed me; They pierced my hands and my feet.
- b. [Isa 53:5 NASB] But He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; The chastening for our well-being [fell] upon Him, And by His scourging we are healed.

21. He Was Pierced

- a. [Zec 12:10 NASB] "I will pour out on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the Spirit of grace and of supplication, so that they will look on Me (alef-tav) whom they have pierced; and they will mourn for Him, as one mourns for an only son, and they will weep bitterly over Him like the bitter weeping over a firstborn.

22. Revelation 1:8

- a. "I am the Alpha (Ἄλφα) and the Omega (Ὠ), " says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

23. Image of the Hebrew alphabet (alef Tav)

24. Alpha and the Omega

- a. [Rev 21:6 NASB] Then He said to me, "It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give to the one who thirsts from the spring of the water of life without cost.
- b. Rev 22:13 NASB] "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

25. Alef & Tav- Covenant Mark

- a. Esau
- b. Ruth

- c. [Eze 9:4-6 NASB] 4 The LORD said to him, "Go through the midst of the city, [even] through the midst of Jerusalem, and put a mark on the foreheads of the men who sigh and groan over all the abominations which are being committed in its midst." 5 But to the others He said in my hearing, "Go through the city after him and strike; do not let your eye have pity and do not spare. 6 "Utterly slay old men, young men, maidens, little children, and women, but do not touch any man on whom is the mark; and you shall start from My sanctuary." So they started with the elders who [were] before the temple.