

"Worship the King"

Revelation 11.15-19

WORSHIP - Meeting with God in His Way

BOOK OF REVELATION "of Jesus Christ" (1.1)

RISEN from dead / RESIDING in church / RULING world / RETURNING

SEEN by EXILED APOSTLE JOHN - ONE VISION - SEVEN TIMES - INTENSE

DIFFERENT WAYS OF TELLING STORY - Begin/Middle/End OR Repeating

□ROMANS□ - LINEAR - from SINNER to SAINT - God's Plan of Salvation

□HEBREWS□ - CIRCULAR - One Message, Many Times "Jesus is Better"  
than Angels, than Moses, than Old Covenant, Priests, Sacrifice  
TOTALLY CONVINCED - "Jesus is Better"

□1 JOHN□ - 3 TESTS OF FAITH - DOCTRINE, MORAL, SOCIAL - CIRCULAR  
God is True, God is Light, God is Love  
Walk in Truth, Walk in Light, Walk in Love

SAME TESTS GIVEN SEVERAL TIMES IN LETTER

□REVELATION OF JESUS□ - FROM 1st to 2nd COMING - GREATER INTENSITY

ADVENT SEASON - Coming of Jesus and Coming Again

□1. Kingdom Restored□

□a. Lost□ KINGDOM HAD BEEN LOST TO SATAN - GOD'S SOVEREIGN DESIGN

UNFOLD HIS SAVING PLAN - FULLNESS as Creator, Judge, Redeemer

Gen 3.6,7 Adam and Eve ate the forbidden fruit "then the eyes of □  
both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked"

EYES OPEN TO WORLD OF SIN - BLINDED TO THINGS OF GOD

GOD HAD GIVEN MAN AND WOMAN DOMINION - FORFEITED TO SATAN

DEVIL BECOMES "god of this world" 2 Cor 4.4

ŠSO IN THE TEMPTATION THE DEVIL TAKES JESUS

Matthew 4.8-10 "to a very high mountain and showed him all the □  
kingdoms of the world and their splendor, "All this I will give □  
you," he said, "if you will bow down and worship me."

THIS WAS A GENUINE OFFER - JESUS DOES NOT REFUTE HIS CLAIM

PLANS TO WIN BACK THE WORLD AND DESTROY THE GOD OF THIS WORLD

□b. Won□ SITE OF HIS VICTORY WAS THE CROSS

CHRIST'S MISSION FULFILLED BY HIS DEATH- ATTESTED BY RESURRECTION

PROMISED WAY BACK IN GARDEN OF EDEN

GOD WARNED THE DEVIL IN THE GARDEN OF EDEN

Genesis 3.15 "I will forever separate you and the woman - and □  
your offspring - he will crush your head and you will strike his □  
heel"

READ REVELATION 12.3-12

Matt 28.18

"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me"

JANUARY 1986 CHANGE OF POWER IN UGANDA

MILITARY TAKEOVER IN CAPITAL CITY - KAMPALA

ARUA -300 MILES NORTH - ANOTHER ARMY - ARUA WON WHEN KAMPALA FELL

KAUAI ACKNOWLEDGED KAMEHAMEHA THE GREAT W/OUT HIM GOING THERE

CHRIST NOW REIGNS -DONE DEAL- THOUGH NOT YET ACKNOWLEDGED BY ALL

□c. Acknowledged□ RECOGNIZED AS THE VICTOR BY ALL MEN

7 EPISODES OF GOD'S JUDGMENT - 7 churches, seals, bowls, trumpets

EACH DESCRIBE THE PERIOD FROM CHRIST'S 1st Coming to His 2nd

v. 15

"7th angel sounded his trumpet" CLEARS WAY FOR FINAL JUDGMENT

"loud voices in heaven" HERALD THE MOMENT OF CONSUMATION

"The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and □  
of his Christ"

ŠNOT 2 KINGDOMS - ONE ETERNAL TRIUNE GOD - ONE SOVEREING KINGSHIP

SINGULAR "He will reign for ever and ever"

PROPHECY OF ZECHARIAH WILL BE FULFILLED

1.7 "Look, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see □  
him, even those who pierced him; and all the peoples of the earth □  
will mourn because of him."

MOMENT OF GOD'S VINDICATION - GLOBAL DISPLAY OF HIS GLORY

Philipp 2.9-11 "at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in □  
heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess □  
that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of God the Father"

THEN AS THE LAST ACT OF REDEMPTION

1 Corinth 15.24-28

the Son will "hand over the kingdom to God the Father...so that □  
God will be all in all"

□2. King Praised□

HE IS WORTHY OF OUR PRAISE

□a. Reign□ EVERY EMPIRE HAS FALLEN - EVERY KING HAS DIED -

WHEN ALL OTHERS HAVE FALLEN - ONLY CHRIST STANDS

READ vs. 16,17

MOMENT WHICH GIVES CLINCHING PROOF TO GOD'S SOVEREIGN AUTHORITY

HAS BEEN TRUE FROM ALL ETERNITY

Ephes 1.11 "he works out everything in conformity with the □  
purpose of his will"

NOW SEE HOW "all things worked together for good" GOD'S PEOPLE  
NOT - ALL THINGS ARE GOOD - SOME THINGS ARE VERY BAD INDEED  
GOD WORKS THE GOOD AND BAD TOGETHER FOR GOOD

THEREFORE HE IS WORTHY OF WORSHIP - 24 ELDERS - GOD'S ATTENDANTS

NOW CALL TO FAITH - LIFE MAY SEEM OUT OF CONTROL - CHAOS REIGNS

THRONE OF HEAVEN IS NOT EMPTY - OUR LORD AND HIS CHRIST REIGN

□b. Recompense□ GOD WILL NOT LET EVIL GO UNPUNISHED

v. 18a "the nations were angry; and your wrath has come. The time □  
has come for judging the dead"

HOUR OF JUDGMENT HAS ARRIVED

John 12.31-33 "Now is the time for judgment on this world; now the prince of this world will be driven out. But I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself"

NATIONS ARE ANGRY - NO ONE IS NEUTRAL ABOUT CHRIST

11.2 "Gentiles trample on the holy city for 42 months"

WHAT DO THE NATIONS HAVE TO BE ANGRY ABOUT?

LIFE IS A GIFT - GOD IS GRACIOUS - HEALTH, FAMILY, WEALTH, LAND

PEOPLE WANT TO HAVE GIFTS AND IGNORE THE GIVER

WANT A BURGER KING GOD WHO TELLS THEM "have it your way"

Psalm 2 "Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain? The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers gather together against the Lord and against his Anointed One...The One enthroned in heaven laughs; the Lord scoffs at them. Then he rebukes them in his anger and terrifies them in his wrath, saying, "I have installed my King on Zion, my holy hill"

HARD HEARTS OF PEOPLE IN REBELLION AGAINST GOD - WRATH

READ REVELATION 9.20,21

DEATH IS NO ESCAPE FROM GOD'S PUNISHMENT - GOD OF LIVING & DEAD

INJUSTICES OF PAST GENERATIONS WILL NOT GO UNPUNISHED

GOD WILL NOT LET SIN GO UNPUNISHED - DEAD RAISED - NEW BODIES

READ REVELATION 6.15-17

REVEL 15.3,4 the saints will sing the Song of Moses and the 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, and your righteous acts have been revealed"

c. Reward GOD'S SERVANTS ARE REWARDED

v. 18b "The time has come for judging the dead, and for rewarding your servants the prophets and your saints and those who reverence your name, both great and small - and for destroying those who destroy the earth" CREATOR CONCERNED ABOUT CREATION

SINS JUDGED ON CROSS - WORKS JUDGED AT CHRIST'S RETURN

19.9,10

Matthew 25.21

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□3. Kingdom Secure□

□a. Presence□

GREAT MYSTERY IS UNCOVERED "God's temple in heaven was opened"

v. 19a

ARK NOW SEEN - SOMETHING PREVIOUSLY HIDDEN FROM HUMAN VIEW

SECURE WITHIN THE MOST HOLY PLACE

ARK OF THE COVENANT - SYMBOL OF GOD'S PRESENCE IN TEMPLE

SHEKINAH GLORY OF GOD HOVERED OVER THE MERCY SEAT - CHERUBIM

ARK WAS LOST IN ISRAEL

FOUND BY INDIANA JONES AND STORED IN WAREHOUSE OF U.S. GOVERNMENT

Jerem 3.15-17

21.3

Heb 8.5,6

Matt 28.20

□b. Power□ SOVEREIGN LORD - NO OPPONENT CAN STAND

v. 19b

8.5

Habakkuk 2.20