

GETTING ACQUAINTED WITH REVELATION

Introduction

A study of Revelation will give Christians a grasp of many doctrines besides that of prophecy. In fact, the chief doctrine of Revelation is that of Jesus Christ. In the Gospels His humility is shown, but in Revelation His glory is made known. Revelation glorifies Jesus Christ as the almighty God, the gracious Redeemer, the victorious Warrior, the truthful Judge and the world Ruler. He is the Hope of the believer, the Song of the redeemed, the Reward of the victorious. The book of Revelation is an indispensable book in the study of Jesus Christ. Other doctrines revealed in this book include the Bible, God, man, sin, angels, salvation, the church and future events. Believers are greatly impoverished without a good understanding of the book of Revelation. A special blessing is promised to those who know and keep the message of this book (Rev 1:3). A natural interpretation of the words in the prophecies will be used. That is the most reliable way to interpret the Bible.

Aim of the Lesson: Be motivated to know and keep the message of Revelation so the Lord can bless you.

Blessed is he that reads, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written in it, for the time is at hand (Rev 1:3).

Outline of the Lesson and Questions to Answer

Know the Doctrines in Revelation –This lesson will examine only the doctrines in the first chapter.

A. The doctrine of future events. In chapter one seven verses refer to the future.

What do you learn about Christ's future in 1:7?

What did God say about His future in 1: 8?

What did Christ tell us about His future in 1:18?

B. The doctrine of God. Most of the verses will focus on Christ.

What is learned about God, the Father, in 1:1 and 8?

What is learned about God, the Son, in 1:5?

How did Jesus Christ appear to John in 1:13-16?

What is said about God, the Spirit, in 1:4?

C. The doctrine of the Bible.

How was the message of Revelation given to John? (1:1-2)

D. The doctrine of man.

What is said about man in 1:5-6?

How did John react when He saw Jesus? (1:17)

E. The doctrine of sin.

What is said about sin in 1:5?

F. The doctrine of angels.

What do you learn about angels in 1:1?

G. The doctrine of the church.

What did God do for the seven churches in Asia? (1:11-12)

What were the churches like? (1:12, 13, 20)