Revelation 1

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(Written approx. 85 AD by St John, the Apostle)

- **1** The <u>Revelation</u> of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John: (Revelation = to be revealed, a manifestation, to make known Apokalips in the Greek)
- ²Who bare record of the word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and of all things that he saw. (At this time, John is exiled to the island of Patmos. He was a witness to Jesus Christ His ministry, His crucifixion and His resurrection. And now John will be shown what will happen at the end times of this Age)

(John was the scribe; God was the author)

- ³ Blessed is he that readeth, and they that <u>hear</u> the <u>words of this</u> <u>prophecy</u>, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand. (hear = to hear with understanding) (This Book is the last prophecy of the Bible)
- ⁴John to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace be unto you, and peace, from him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before his throne; (This is not about whom these churches are or what their name is)

(This is about what they teach. Only the teachings of two of the seven churches will be approved of by Jesus. The other five were teaching the traditions of men – false doctrines)

⁵ And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and <u>the first</u> <u>begotten of the dead</u>, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, (At His resurrection, Jesus Christ defeated death. Spiritual death is one of Satan's names) Hebrews-2:14-18

Acts-9:15 (Paul was sent to the kings & queens of the earth, as well as to the ethnos – the races. Salvation was opened to whosoever will believe on Jesus; and will live by His Ten Commandments)

⁶And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. <u>Amen</u>. (Amen = that's that; That's the way it will be. It will not be changed)

⁷Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen. (All the deceived people of the end days will wake up and realize they have been worshipping the antichrist in their ignorance. They will wail because when they see Jesus, they will know He is God. Jesus is God in the flesh)

(Those who pierced Him are the Kenites and their ilk. The Kenites are the descendants of Cain – the son of Satan and Eve)

*I am <u>Alpha and Omega</u>, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty. (Alpha and Omega – the first and last letter of the Greek alphabet; the Greek version of our saying - "from A to Z")

(God was the First and He will be the Last. There is only one God. HE has many offices. Jesus is one of those offices. HE was God in the flesh form of a man)

- ⁹I John, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ. (We don't know where Patmos is today)
- ¹⁰ I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet, (John was taken in the spirit to the first day of the Millennium The Lord's Day. If we don't understand that, we won't understand this entire Book)

(This day is in the future after both tribulations; when there will be no flesh left, after the 7th Trump. John, being taken to the future, will look back at what happened at the end of this Age. There will be two tribulations – that of Satan <as antichrist>, and that of God. The great voice John heard is the voice of Almighty God)

See 2Peter-3:8-10 (The Millennium is the Lord's Day – 1000 years as with man. It will be a time of teaching all of the people who didn't make the first resurrection. They will all have a chance to receive salvation)

¹¹ Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: <u>and, What thou seest, write in a book</u>, and send it unto <u>the seven churches which are in Asia</u>; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto

Laodicea. (and, What thou seest, write in a book (This prophecy will be given to us by God, Himself. John will do the scribing only)

NOTE: (What God gives us needs no "interpretation" by would-be preachers. This is prophecy. It will happen, regardless of what nay-sayers tell you)

(These seven churches were in what is called Asia Minor, today)

¹² And I turned to see the voice that spake with me. And being turned, I saw seven golden candlesticks; (The candlesticks are symbolic of the seven churches. They are supposed to enlighten the world by teaching God's Word)

(Instead, most were teaching the traditions of men. Only two of the seven were satisfactory to God. Those that teach who the Kenites are) see Chapters 2 & 3

¹³ And in the midst of the seven candlesticks one like unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle. (This is Jesus Christ, resurrected and in Paradise)

(Jesus always called Himself the Son of man. That's because he was God, in the flesh form of a man, begotten through Mary into this world. Men called Him the son of God)

- ¹⁴ His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow; and his eyes were as a flame of fire; (This is symbolic for purity and great power)
- ¹⁵ And his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and his voice as the sound of many waters. (Lord of lords, King of kings, Jesus IS God. He came to us in the flesh to teach us how to live a perfect life)

NOTE: (He is God, not his son, as people keep saying. God begat Himself, through Mary, to live one life in the flesh; just like He asked man to do when He said – Let us make man in our image. HE created the body of Jesus and we created our flesh bodies)

¹⁶ And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp two edged sword: and his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength. (God is awesome for us to look upon)

(The sword that proceeds from His mouth is God's Word - the Bible. The truth cuts both ways like a two edged sword)

NOTE: (That means that the truth is absolute – there is right and there is wrong – period. It's not open to interpretation or to politically correct "inclusion" that we hear from the left)

¹⁷ And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not; I am the first and the last: (John was overcome at the presence of God)

¹⁸ I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death. (God <as Jesus Christ> lived in the flesh and died in the flesh just like we do)

(Therefore, He is qualified to judge us. Only God has the power of salvation or of damnation. But, where we end up is up to us. We will be judged on how we lived in this life)

¹⁹ Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things which are, and the things which shall be hereafter; (Write the things that happened just before the Millennium and the things that will happen during the Millennium)

²⁰ The mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars are the <u>angels</u> of the seven churches: and the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches. (angels = messengers; they are people like us who are in their spiritual bodies)

(They have either lived before us or will live after us, in the flesh. We all pass through the flesh one time. We are not created in it. The flesh life is only a time of testing)