# Revelation

#### Conclusion

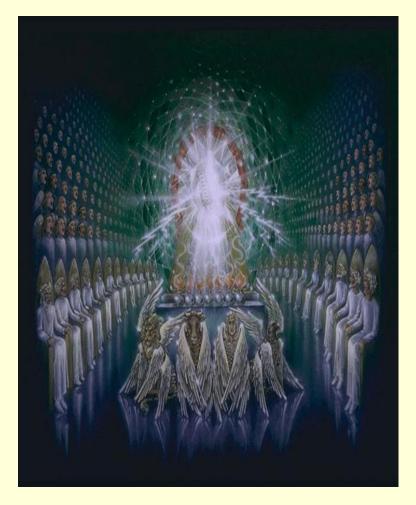
- The Revelation to John
  - A prophetic writing with features of a letter and of the form of literature called Apocalyptic
  - Written by John to Christians during the second half of the First Century
  - Placed at the end of the New Testament because of its concern with the "end times."
  - Last week we nearly finished, and tonight we will finish the final Chapter 22.



- Introduction (1:1-8)
- First Vision (1:9-20)
- 7 Letters (Chapters 2 & 3)



 Heavenly Throne Room (Chapters 4 & 5)









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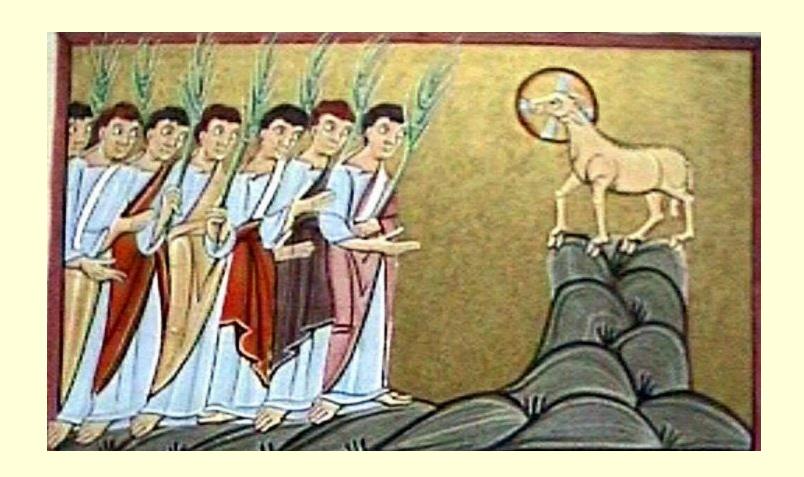


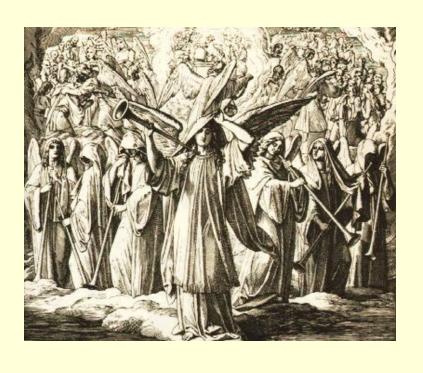
- The First Six Seals (Chapter 6)
  - The 4 Horsemen
  - Souls of Martyrs
  - Vision of the End

Then the kings of the earth and the great ones and the generals and the rich and the powerful, and everyone, slave and free, hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains, 16 calling to the mountains and rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who is seated on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb, for the great day of their wrath has come, and who can stand?"

--- Revelation 6:15-17

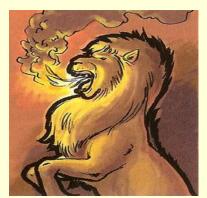
 The Servants of God (Chapter 7)

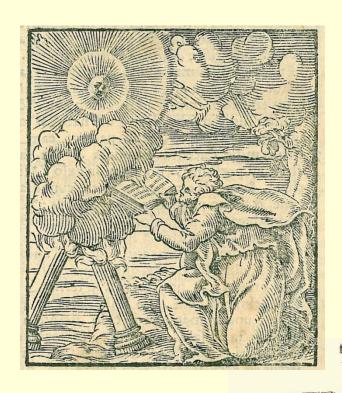




- Chapters 8 & 9
  - The 7th Seal
  - Silence in Heaven
  - Prayers of the Saints
  - The First Six Trumpets







- The Word and Witnesses
  - Mighty Angel With A Little Book (Chapter 10)
  - Measuring the Temple (Chapter 11, Verses 1-2)
  - The Two Witnesses(Chapter 11, Verses 3-13)

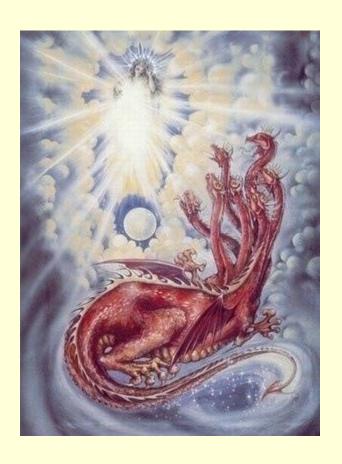




 The Seventh Trumpet (Chapter 11, Verses 14-19)



Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever." (11:15)

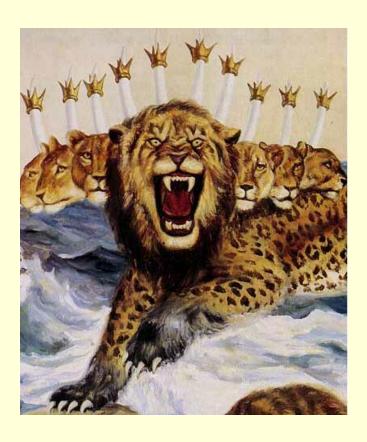


#### The Woman, Her Son and The Dragon (Chapter 12)

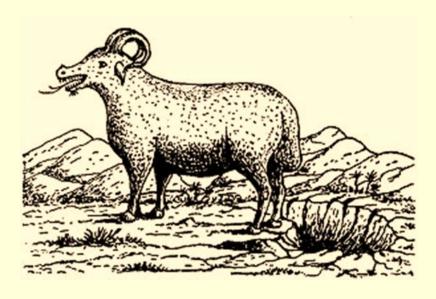
Then the dragon became furious with the woman and went off to make war on the rest of her offspring, on those who keep the commandments of God and hold to the testimony of Jesus.

--- Revelation 12:17a

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 The Two Beasts (Chapter 13)



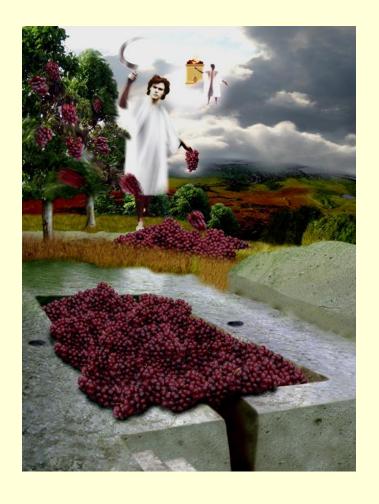




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 The Harvest (Chapter 14, Verses 14-20)





God's Wrath Poured Out (Chapters 15 and 16)



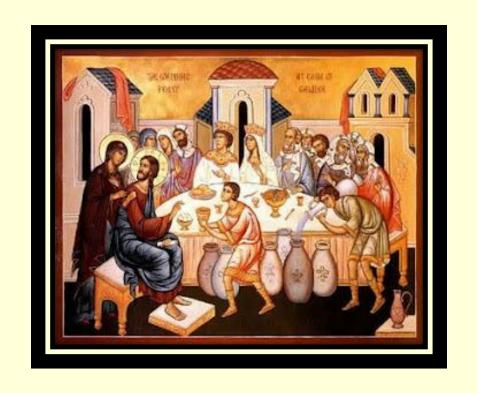
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 The Great Prostitute, the Beast, the Fall of Babylon (Chapters 17 and 18)





 The Marriage Supper of the Lamb (Chapter 19)









 New Heaven and Earth New Jerusalem (Chapter 21 and 22)



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- Even now, 2000 years later, it is fitting for Christians to desire and to expect Jesus to come soon.

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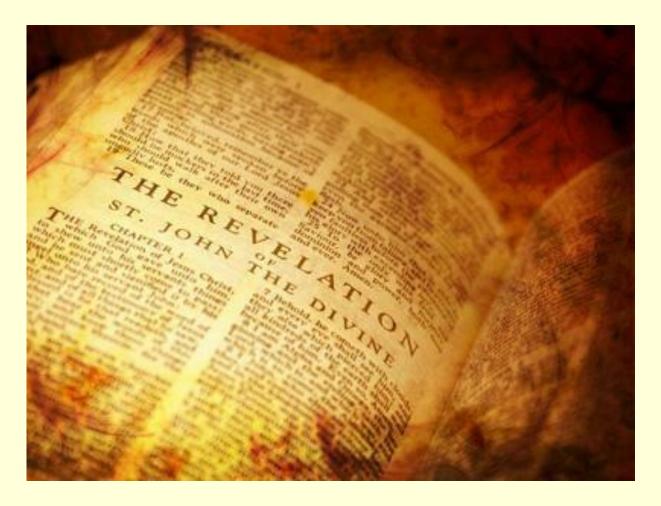
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- We hear these words spoken to us also.

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- Looking Ahead
  - Our next study will be "The Gospel and Letters of John." It will begin on April 10.
  - On March 20, March 27, and April 3 this class will <u>not</u> meet.