

Understanding the Book of Revelation in the 21st Century

Session 1- Understanding the Book of Revelation
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Introduction:

The final book of the Bible showcases the climax of the war in the spirit world. Let us look at 7 considerations that help us to understand this perspective of the book of Revelation.

1. The Chosen **of the Book**

It is the final book of the progressive revelation of God!

2. The Unique **of the Book**

A. Its context- Revelation 1:9-11

B. Its chronology- Revelation 1:19

3. The Central **of the Book**

There are 404 verses in the book of Revelation.

The central passage is

This book displays the conclusion to this war....

In the church- chapters 1-4

On earth- chapters 5-19

In heaven- chapter 12:7-12

For all creation- chapters 20-22

4. The Conflicting **in the Book**

This conflict features Jesus Christ and His angels against Satan and his demons.

A. The 16 titles of Jesus reflect His superiority as God over Satan.

The 11 titles of Satan reflect his finite, evil position

B. The angelic war is an extension of this conflict

- 71 references to angels
- 26% of biblical references
- 3 times more than any other book

5. The Historical in the Book

A. Heaven and earth

“heaven”- 40 times, “earth”- 67 times

Isaiah 45:18

Revelation 21:1

B. Babylon and Jerusalem

Cities in conflict from the beginning in Genesis

Babylon- Genesis 11- Revelation 19

Jerusalem- Genesis 14- Revelation 21

C. Temple Mount

Revelation 11:1-2

6. The Ancient in the Book

The sons of Isaac are at war with the sons of Ishmael

In this war in the spiritual realm, there are two areas of domination: political and religious.

God’s covenant with Israel-

This is why Jesus is King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

Satan’s objective in his opposition to God is to control and deceive the nations so that he can have political and religious power over the physical and spiritual realms. He wants to destroy the people of God and control the land of God!

7. The Eternal of the Book

Revelation 20:1-3, 7-10- the war in the spirit world comes to an end!

Revelation 21-22- The saints live in a new world free from sin and spiritual warfare FOREVER!