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Revelation 1



 The Revelation 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:

2. Who bare record of the word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and of all things that he saw.
3. Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of his prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand.
4. John to the seven Churches which are in Asia: Grace be to 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;

5. And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,

6. And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

7. Behold, 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.

8. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.

9. I 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.

- 10 I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day,
and heard behind me a great voice,
as of a trumpet,
- 11 SAYING, I AM ALPHA AND OMEGA, THE FIRST
AND THE LAST: AND, WHAT THOU SEEST, WRITE
IN A BOOK, AND SEND IT UNTO THE SEVEN CHURCHES
WHICH ARE IN ASIA; UNTO EPHESUS, AND UNTO SMYRNA,
AND UNTO PERGAMOS, AND UNTO THYATIRA, AND UNTO
SARDIS, AND UNTO PHILADELPHIA, AND UNTO LAODICEA.
- 12 And I turned to see the voice that spake
with me. And being turned, I saw seven
golden candlesticks;
- 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
waist with a golden girdle
- 14 His head and his hairs were white like
wool, as white as snow; and his eyes were
as a flame of fire;

15. And his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and his voice as the sound of many waters.

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.

17. And when I saw Him, I fell at His feet as dead.

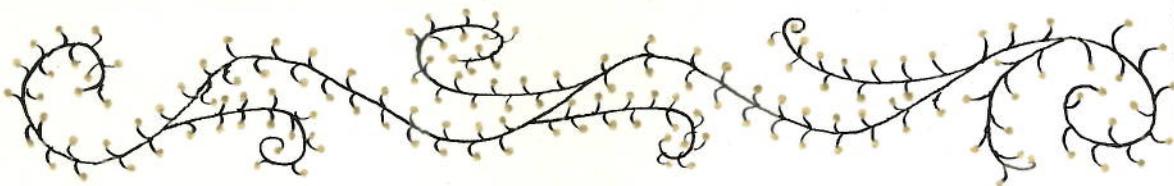
And He laid His right hand upon me, saying unto me, fear not; I am the first and the last:

18. I am the Living One; I was dead, and now look, I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of Death and Hades.

19. Write, therefore, what will take you have seen: both what is now and what will take place later.

20. The mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches: and the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches.

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CHAPTER



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1. To the angel of the church in Ephesus write: These are the words of him who holds the seven stars in his right hand, who walks among the seven golden lampstands:

2. I know your works, your toil and your patient endurance. I know that you cannot tolerate evildoers; you have tested those who claim to be apostles but are not, and have found them to be false.

3. I also know that you are enduring patiently and bearing up for the sake of my name, and that you have not grown weary.

4. But I have this against you, that you have abandoned the love you had at first.

5 Remember then from what you have fallen; repent, and do the works you did at first.

If not, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place, unless you repent.

6. Yet this to your credit: you hate the works of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate.

7. Let anyone who has an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

To everyone who conquers, I give permission to eat from the tree of life that is in the paradise of God.

The Message to Smyrna.

8. And to the angel of the church in Smyrna write: These are the words of the first and the Last, who was dead and came to life:
9. I know your affliction and your poverty even though you are rich. I know the slander on the part of those who say that they are Jews and are not, but are a synagogue of Satan.
10. Do not bear what you are about to suffer. Beware, the devil is about to throw some of you into prison so that you may be tested, and for ten days you will have affliction. Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life.

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let anyone who has an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches. Whoever conquers will not be harmed by the second death.

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And to the angel of the church in Pergamum write: These are the words of him who has the sharp two-edged sword:

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I know where you are living, where Satan's throne is. Yet you are holding fast to my name, and you did not deny your faith in me even in the days of Antipas my witness, my faithful one, who was killed among you, where Satan lives.

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But I have a few things against you: you have some there who hold to the teaching of Balaam, who taught Balak to put a stumbling-block before the people of Israel, so that they would eat food sacrificed to idols and practise fornication.

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So you also have some who hold to the teaching of the Nicolaitans.

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Repent then. If not, I will come to you soon and make war against them with the sword of my mouth.

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let anyone who has an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches. To everyone who conquers I will give some of the hidden manna, and I will give a white stone, and on the white stone is written a new name that no one knows except the one who receives it.

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'And to the angel of the church in Thyatira write: These are the words of the Son of God, who has eyes like a flame of fire, and whose feet are like burnished bronze:

^{19.}

'I know your works - your love, faith, service, and patient endurance. I know that ²⁰your last works are greater than the first. But I have this against you: you tolerate that woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophet and is teaching and beguiling my servants to practise fornication and to eat food sacrificed to idols.

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I gave her time to repent, but she refuses to repent of her fornication.

²² Beware, I am throwing her on a bed, and those who commit adultery with her I am throwing into great distress, unless they repent of her doings; ²³ and I will strike her children dead. And all the churches will know that I am the one who searches minds and hearts, and I will give to each of you as your works deserve.

²⁴ But to the rest of you in Thyatira, who do not hold this teaching, who have not learned what some call "the deep things of satan"; to you I say, I do not lay on you any other burden; ²⁵ only hold fast to what you have until I come. ²⁶ To everyone who conquers and continues to do my works to the end, I will give authority over the nations; ²⁷ to rule them with an iron rod, as when clay pots are shattered — even as I also received authority from my Father. To the one who conquers I will also give the

morning star.

²⁹ Let anyone who has an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

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He who has an ear, let him hear what the
Spirit says to the churches.

～ Revelation 3: 6～

1 "And to the angel of the church in Sardis write:

These are the words of him who has seven spirits of God and the seven stars: "I know your works; you have a name of being alive, but you are dead.

2 "Wake up, and strengthen what remains

and is on the point of death, for I have not found your works perfect in the sight of my God.

3. Remember then what you received and heard; obey it, and repent. If you do not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what hour I will come to you. 4. Yet you have still a few persons in Sardis who have not soiled their clothes; they will walk with me, dressed in white, for they are worthy.

5. If you conquer, you will be clothed like them in white robes, and I will not blot your name out of the book of life. I will confess your name before my Father and before his angels.

6. Let anyone who has an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

7. "And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write

These are the words of the Ruler one, the time one, who
passes the key of David, who opens and no one will
shut, who seals and no one opens.

⁸"I know your works. Look, I have set
before you an open door, which no one
is able to shut. I know that you
have but little power, and yet you
have kept my word and have not
denied any name.⁹ I will make those of
the synagogue of Satan who say that they are
Jews and are not, but are lying - I will make
them come and bow down before your feet, and
they will learn that I have loved you.¹⁰ Because
you have kept my word of patient endurance,
I will keep you from the hour of trial that is
coming on the whole world to test the inhabitants
of the earth.¹¹ I am coming soon; hold fast to
what you have, so that no one may seize
your crown.¹² If you conquer, I will make
you a pillar in the temple of my God; you
will never go out of it. I will write on you
the name of my God, and the name of the

city of my God, the new Jerusalem that comes down from my God out of heaven, and my own new name.¹³ Let anyone who has an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches

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And to the angel of church in Laodicea write: The words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the origin of God's creation. ⁽¹⁵⁾ "I know your works; you are neither cold nor hot. I wish that you were either cold or hot. ⁽¹⁶⁾ So, because you are lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I am about to spit you out of my mouth." ⁽¹⁷⁾ For you say "I am rich, I have prospered, and I need nothing." You do not realise that you are wretched, pitiable, poor, blind and naked. ⁽¹⁸⁾ Therefore I cancell you buy from me Gold ~~wrought~~refined by fire so that you may be rich: and white robes to clothe you and to keep the shame of you nakedness from being seen and Salve to anoint your

eye so that you may see⁽¹⁹⁾ I reprove you and disciplined those whom I love. Be earnest, therefore, and repent⁽²⁰⁾ Listen! I am standing at the door, knocking if you hear my voice and open the door, I will come into you and eat with you, and you with me.⁽²¹⁾ To the one who conquers I will give a place with me on my throne, just as I myself conquered and sat down with my father on his throne.⁽²²⁾ Let anyone who has an ear listen to what the spirit is saying to the churches.

Around Gods throne

1. After this I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will show thee things which must be hereafter.

2. And immediately I was in the spirit: and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne.

3. And he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a Sardine stone: and there was a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald.

4. And round about the throne were four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold.

5. and out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunders and voices: and these were

seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirit of God.

6. And before the throne there was a sea of glass like unto crystal: and in the midst of throne, and round about the throne, were four beasts full of eyes before and behind.

7. And the first beast was like a lion, and the second beast like a calf, and the third beast had a face as a man, and the fourth beast was like a flying eagle.

8. And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.

9. And when those beasts give glory and honor and thanks to him that sat on the throne, who liveth for ever and ever,

10. The four and twenty elders fall down before

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him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying,

11 "Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for Thou hast created all things, and for Thy pleasure they were created."