

WHAT IS THE KEY TO UNDERSTANDING THE APOCALYPSE?
(Revelation 1)

I. UNDERSTANDING THE BOOK OF "REVELATION"

A. The PROLOGUE of the book of Revelation. (1:1-8)

1. The **TITLE** of this book is not "The Revelation of St. John the Divine", but _____
_____. (1:1a)
2. The **PURPOSE** of this book is "to _____ *His servants*— _____ *which must*
_____". (1:1b)
3. The **TRANSMISSION** of this book came from _____ to _____
to an _____ to _____ to _____. (1:1c)
4. The **AUTHENTICITY** of this book is addressed by calling it the _____
and the _____. (1:2)
5. The **PROMISE** of this book is, " _____ *is he who* _____, *and those*
who _____ *the words of this prophecy, and* _____ *those things which*
are written in it." (1:3)
6. The **NATURE** of this book is that it is called a _____. (1:3)
7. The **IMPORTANCE** of this book is because _____. (1:3)
8. The **WRITER** of this book is the apostle _____. (1:4a)
9. The **RECIPIENTS** of this book were the _____ of _____. (1:4b)
10. The **GREETING** of this book consists of _____ and _____ from the
_____. (1:4c-5a)
11. The **DEDICATION** of this book is to _____. (1:5b-6)

* What has He done for us?

* What is He worthy of?

12. The **THEME** of this book centers around the truth that Jesus Christ is _____
_____. (1:7-8)

* How is this different from His first coming?

B. The PERSON of the book of Revelation. (1:9-18)

1. The **SETTING** for this vision of Christ. (1:9-10a)

2. The **DESCRIPTION** of this vision of Christ. (1:10b-16)

a. What John **heard**. (1:10b-11)

* Why were these seven churches selected?

b. What John **saw**. (1:12-16)

* What does this teach us about Jesus Christ?

3. The **RESPONSES** to this vision of Christ. (1:17-18)

a. How **John** responded. (1:17)

b. How **Jesus** responded to John. (1:18)

C. The PARTICULAR OUTLINE of the book of Revelation. (1:19-20)

1. “*Write the things which you have seen*” refers to chapter _____.

2. “*And the things which are*” refers to chapters _____.

3. “*And the things which will take place after this*” refers to chapters _____.

* What does the *seven stars* and *seven lamp-stands* refer to?

- How does this apply to you?