


<p>Respect The Book God Wrote</p> <p>1 Group</p>	<p>Revelation 22</p> <p>(18) I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this scroll: If anyone adds anything to them, God will add to that person the plagues described in this scroll.</p> <p>2</p>	<p>Revelation 22</p> <p>(19) And if anyone takes words away from this scroll of prophecy, God will take away from that person any share in the tree of life and in the Holy City, which are described in this scroll.</p> <p>3</p>	<p>Revelation 1</p> <p>(3) Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear it and take to heart what is written in it, because the time is near.</p> <p>4</p>
<p>1. Purpose</p> <p>The book is primarily not a predictor of final years of history. It prepares every generation of Christians to remain faithful in persecution and temptation - from Christ's resurrection to His return.</p> <p>5</p>	<p>Revelation 1</p> <p>(1) The revelation from Jesus Christ, which God gave him to show his servants what must soon take place.</p> <p>6</p>	<p>Daniel 2</p> <p>(28) there is a God in heaven who reveals mysteries. He has shown King Nebuchadnezzar what will happen in days to come</p> <p>7</p>	<p>2. Definitions</p> <p>Preterist view - the book primarily speaks to the events of the first century</p> <p>8</p>
<p>Historicist view - the book speaks to events and people at specific moments in church history</p> <p>9</p>	<p>Futurist view - the book speaks primarily to the events on earth in the last few years of history</p> <p>10</p>	<p>Idealist view - The book is a symbolic presentation of the battle between good and evil that the church faces in every generation.</p> <p>11</p>	<p>3. Suffering</p> <p>12</p>
<p>4. Symbols</p> <p>13</p>	<p>a lamb on the throne in heaven (ch 5), two prophets of God who spew fire from their mouths (ch 11), a dragon chasing a pregnant woman in the desert (ch 12),</p> <p>14</p>	<p>a ten-headed evil beast from the sea (ch 13), 200 million soldiers riding fire-breathing horses a woman sitting on seven hills in a city (ch 17)</p> <p>15</p>	<p>Revelation 12</p> <p>Why would the 3 1/2 year time period be viewed as literal?</p> <p>16</p>
<p>Traditional method of interpretation</p> <p>Interpret everything literally unless you are forced to interpret symbolically.</p> <p>17</p>	<p>More sustainable method of interpretation</p> <p>Interpret everything symbolically unless you are forced to interpret symbolically.</p> <p>18</p>	<p>Matthew 13</p> <p>(10) The disciples came to him and asked, "Why do you speak to the people in parables?" (11) He replied, "Because the knowledge of the secrets of the kingdom of heaven has been given to you, but not to them.</p> <p>19</p>	<p>5. Structure</p> <p>Recapitulation (re-telling of the main story)</p> <p>Ex. Instant replay of a football play</p> <p>20</p>
<p>The FIRST time we see the END of history</p> <p>final judgment - Revelation 6:12-17 final reward - Revelation 7:9-17</p> <p>21</p>	<p>The SECOND time we see the END of history</p> <p>final judgment - Revelation 11:18a final reward - Revelation 11:19b</p> <p>22</p>	<p>The THIRD and FOURTH time we see the END of history</p> <p>final judgment - Revelation 14:14-20 final judgment - Revelation 16:17-21</p> <p>23</p>	<p>We are told that God's plan is complete...</p> <p>"It is finished" - Revelation 16:17 "It is finished" - Revelation 21:6</p> <p>24</p>
<p>6. Israel and the Church</p> <p>25</p>	<p>Revelation does not tell us the nation of Israel is coming back to their present land. It tells us that ALL nations, including Christians from ethnic Israel, will be given ALL the land of the New Earth because of their faith in Jesus Christ. The church is the continuation of the true Israel.</p> <p>26</p>	<p>6. Israel and the Church</p> <p>Land promised - Isaiah 60-66, Ezekiel 40-48 Land given - Revelation 21, 22</p> <p>27</p>	<p>Israel surrounded / delivered - Zechariah 13 Church surrounded / delivered - Rev. 20:9</p> <p>28</p>

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<p>Idolatry</p> <p>Teaching false statements about God in order to remake God to accommodate your sin and gain acceptance by culture</p> <p>33</p>	<p>Mark 8</p> <p>(38) If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his Father's glory with the holy angels.</p> <p>34</p>	<p>Deuteronomy 4</p> <p>(1) Now, Israel, hear the decrees and laws I am about to teach you... (2) Do not add to what I command you and do not subtract from it, but keep the commands of the Lord your God that I give you.</p> <p>35</p>	<p>Deuteronomy 4</p> <p>(3) You saw with your own eyes what the Lord did at Baal Peor. The Lord your God destroyed from among you everyone who followed the Baal of Peor...</p> <p>36</p>
<p>Deuteronomy 4</p> <p>(5) See, I have taught you decrees and laws as the Lord my God commanded me, so that you may follow them in the land you are entering to take possession of it.</p> <p>37</p>	<p>Deuteronomy 4</p> <p>(6) Observe them carefully, for this will show your wisdom and understanding to the nations, who will hear about all these decrees and say, "Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people."</p> <p>38</p>	<p>Deuteronomy 4</p> <p>(9) Only be careful, and watch yourselves closely so that you do not forget the things your eyes have seen or let them fade from your heart as long as you live... Teach them to your children and to their children after them.</p> <p>39</p>	<p>Deuteronomy 4</p> <p>(10) Remember the day you stood before the Lord your God at Horeb, when he said to me, "Assemble the people before me so that I may hear their words so that they may learn to revere me as long as they live in the land and may teach them to their children."</p> <p>40</p>
<p>Deuteronomy 4</p> <p>(11) You came near and stood at the foot of the mountain while it blazed with fire to the very heavens, with black clouds and deep darkness.</p> <p>41</p>	<p>Deuteronomy 4</p> <p>(12) Then the Lord spoke to you out of the fire. You heard the sound of words but saw no form; there was only a voice. (13) He declared to you his covenant, the Ten Commandments.</p> <p>42</p>	<p>Revelation 22</p> <p>(16) "I, Jesus, have sent my angel to give you this testimony for the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, and the bright Morning Star.</p> <p>43</p>	<p>Luke 1</p> <p>(78) because of the tender mercy of our God, by which the rising sun will come to us from heaven (79) to shine on those living in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the path of peace.</p> <p>44</p>
<p>2 Peter 1</p> <p>(19) We also have the prophetic message as something completely reliable, and you will do well to pay attention to it, as to a light shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.</p> <p>45</p>	<p>2 Timothy 3</p> <p>(16) All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, (17) so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.</p> <p>46</p>	 <p>47</p>	<p>48</p>
<p>Revelation 5</p> <p>"Who is worthy to...open the scroll?" (5) Then one of the elders said to me... "See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has triumphed. He is able to open the scroll."</p> <p>49</p>	<p>Revelation 5</p> <p>(6) Then I saw a Lamb, looking as if it had been slain, standing at the center of the throne, encircled by the four living creatures and the elders...</p> <p>50</p>	<p>Revelation 5</p> <p>(9) And they sang a new song, saying: "You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased for God persons from every tribe and language and people and nation.</p> <p>51</p>	<p>52</p>
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