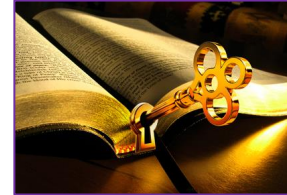




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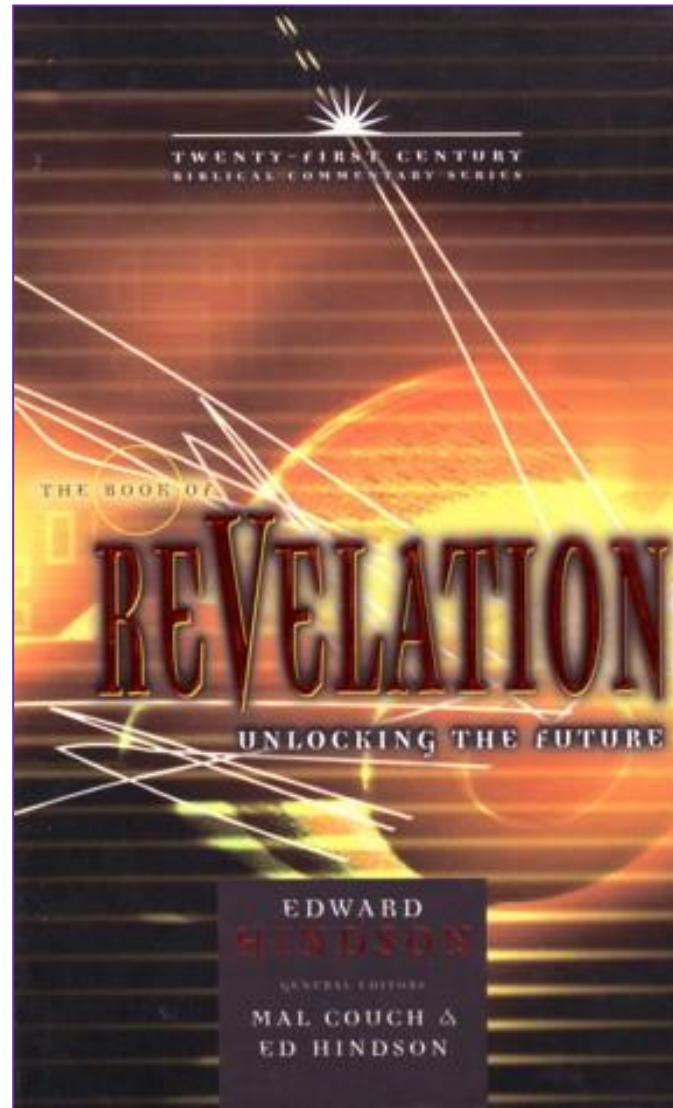
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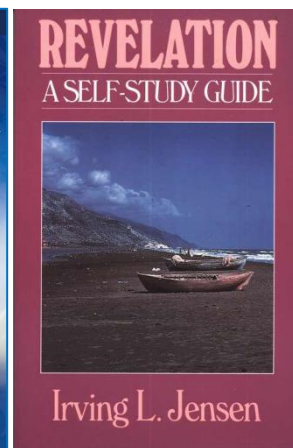
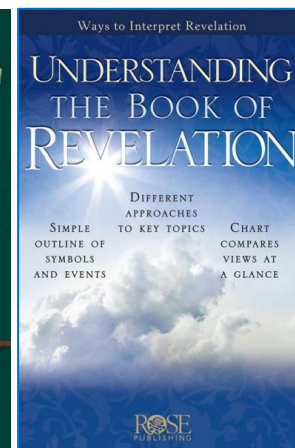
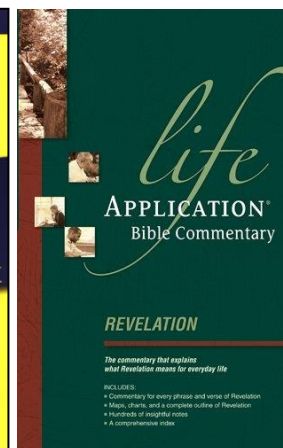
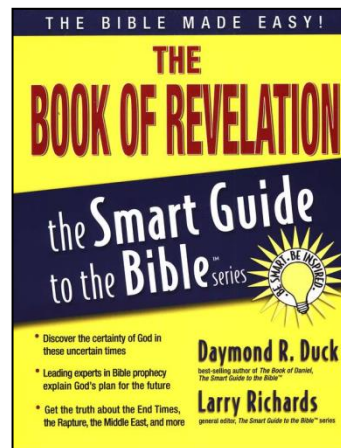
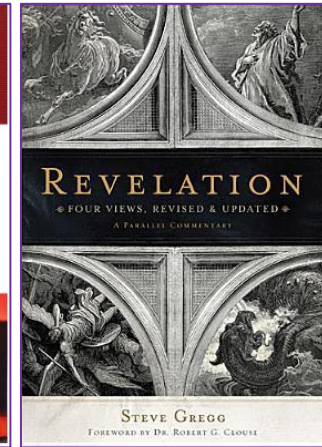
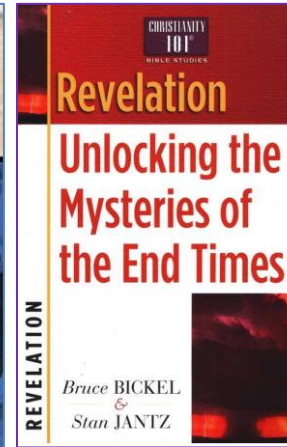
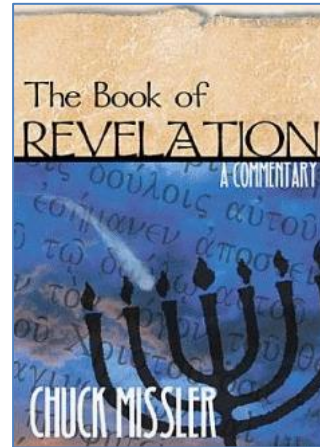
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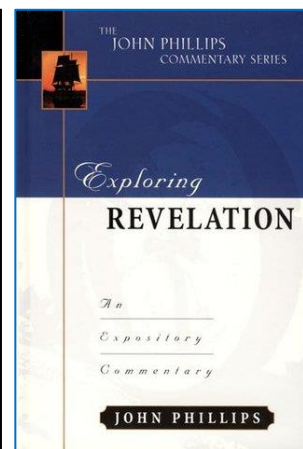
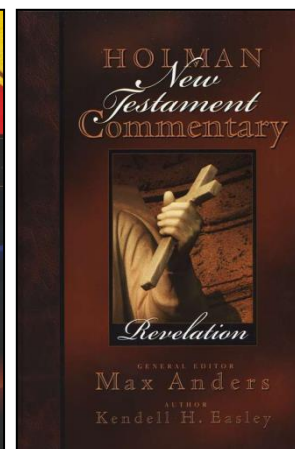
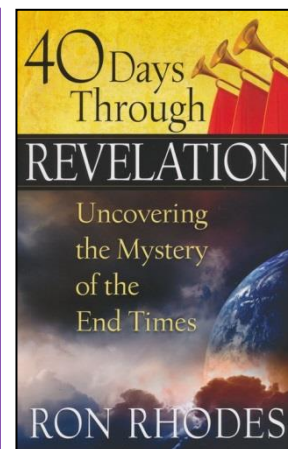
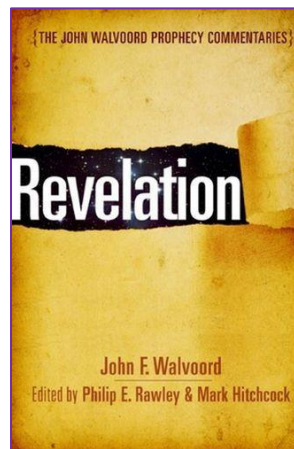
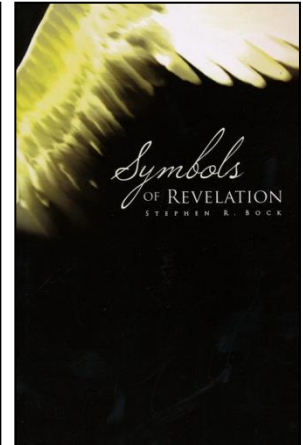
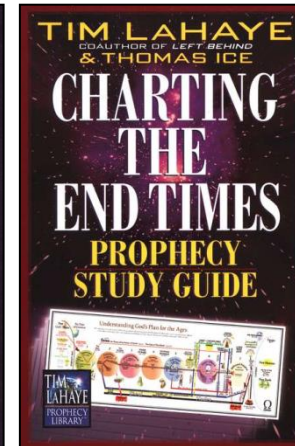
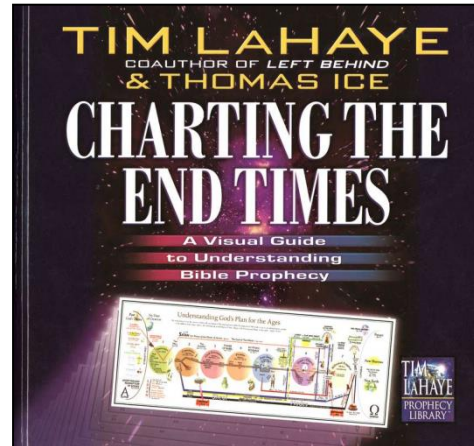


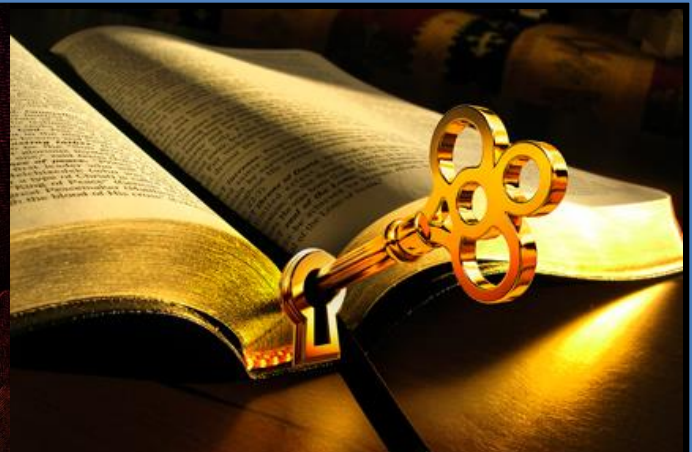
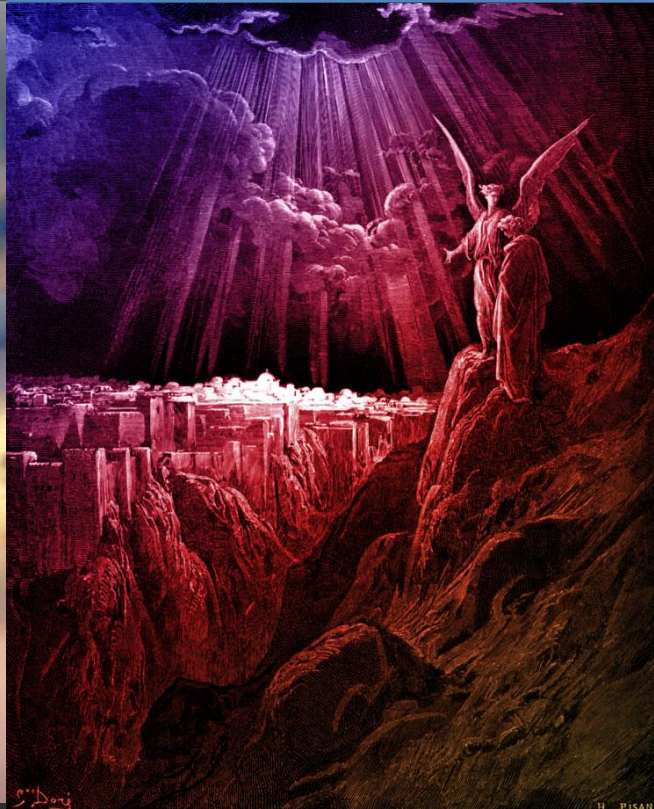
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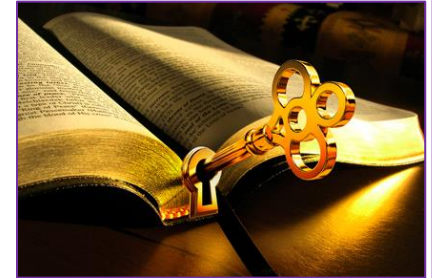
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Book of Revelation - QUICK REVIEW

• Chapter 1 - Vision of Christ

- ✓ Revelation - singular
- ✓ Of Jesus Christ - Unveiling of Jesus
- ✓ God gave to Jesus
- ✓ Why? To show His servants...
- ✓ Images of Christ and the 7 churches
- ✓ Special Blessing
- ✓ Outline - Past, Present, Future

• Chapters 2-3 - Letters to the 7 Churches

- ✓ Ephesus - The Loveless Church
- ✓ Smyrna - The Persecuted Church
- ✓ Pergamos - The Compromising Church
- ✓ Thyatira - The Corrupt Church
- ✓ Sardis - The Dead Church
- ✓ Philadelphia - The Faithful Church
- ✓ Laodicea - The Lukewarm Church
- ✓ Report Card - Score Card

• Chapter 4 - Throne Room

- ✓ John taken to Heaven - Rapture
- ✓ Throne Room of God
- ✓ 24 Elders - Priesthood, Song, Harps
- ✓ 4 Living Creatures - Lion, Calf, Man Eagle
- ✓ Myriad of Angels

• Chapter 5 - The 7 Seal Scroll

- ✓ Strong Angel asks who is Worthy
- ✓ No one Found Worthy - John Weeps
- ✓ Told not to cry - One is Worthy - Jesus
- ✓ The Slain Lamb Takes the Scroll
- ✓ 24 Elders and Living Creatures React
- ✓ Redemption Song - Kings and Priests
- ✓ Angels Join Another Song - Worthy

Book of Revelation - QUICK REVIEW

• Chapter 6 - Opening the 1st Six Seals

- ✓ 1st Four Seals - 4 Horsemen
 - ✓ White Horse - The Conqueror
 - ✓ Red Horse - Conflict on Earth
 - ✓ Black Horse - Scarcity of Earth
 - ✓ Pale Horse - Widespread Death on Earth
- ✓ 5th Seal - The Cry of the Martyrs
- ✓ 6th Seal - Cosmic Disturbances
- ✓ [--- Interlude - Chapter 7 ---]
- ✓ 7th Seal - Chapter 8 ... Silence in heaven

• Chapter 8 - The First 4 Trumpets

- ✓ 7th Seal is broken - ½ Hour of Silence
- ✓ 1st Trumpet Sounds - Vegetation
- ✓ 2nd Trumpet Sounds - Salt Water
- ✓ 3rd Trumpet Sounds - Fresh Water
- ✓ 4th Trumpet Sounds - Light Bearers
- ✓ 1st Four Trumpets Strike Man's Environment
- ✓ Three Woes - Why Three?

• Chapter 7 - Seal & Saved Servants

- ✓ 4 Angels instructed not to harm the earth
- ✓ Until the 144,000 are sealed
- ✓ 12,000 from the Tribes of Israel
- ✓ Two Tribes Missing - Dan, Ephraim
- ✓ Great Multitude - Fruits of their witness
- ✓ Tribulation Saints - Palm Branches

• Chapter 9 - Demons Unleashed

- ✓ 5th Trumpet Sounds - Torment for 5 Months
 - ✓ Star falls from heaven - Given Key - Opens Pit
 - ✓ Smoke escapes the Pit - with Locusts
 - ✓ Man Tormented by Locust Demons
- ✓ 6th Trumpet Sounds - 1/3 Man Killed
 - ✓ Voice from the midst of the golden altar
 - ✓ Commands 6th Angel to Release the 4 bound angels - Angels from the Euphrates
 - ✓ 1/3 of Mankind killed - ¼ from 6:8 - Totals > ½
 - ✓ 200 Million army - Horseman Demons

Book of Revelation - QUICK REVIEW

- Heptadic Structure of Events



In each of the major series of “sevens” – the seals, trumpets, and bowls – we notice that there always appears to be an inserted *parenthetical passage* between the 6th and 7th of each series.



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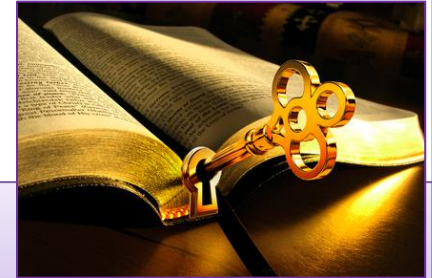
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Chapter Preview - INTRODUCTION

- **Preview**

This chapter serves as an interlude between the 6th and 7th trumpets. It includes the ominous 7 thunders, which are sealed up and kept secret. The sounding of the 7th trumpet is delayed until John can take the “little book”, devour it, and prophesy again.



ALTHOUGH GOD HAS HIDDEN SOME OF THE FUTURE FROM US, A MIGHTY ANGEL REVEALS THAT THE SOUNDING OF THE 7TH TRUMPET WILL BRING ABOUT THE FULL COMPLETION OF HIS PLAN. GOD'S WORD IS BOTH SWEET AND BITTER TO THOSE FOR WHOM HE GIVES IT.

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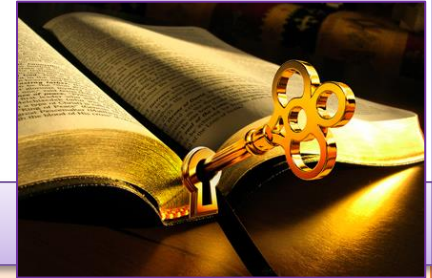
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The Little Book - Revelation 10:1 - OBSERVATIONS

- **Another Mighty Angel** - Who is this Angel?
 - **Another** - *Allos*, not *heteros*
 - Another of the same kind - *allos*
 - Another of a different kind - *heteros*
 - **Mighty Angel** - Jesus, Gabriel, Michael, unknown ?
 - **Jesus**
 - Clouds ... Exodus 16:10; 19:9; 24:15; 34:5; Psalm 104:3; Matthew 17; Luke 12:27; Acts 1:9; Revelation 1:7
 - Rainbow ... Psalm 89:1,8,33-37; Revelation 4:3
 - Sun ... Revelation 1:16; Matthew 17
 - Feet ... Revelation 1:15
 - Lion ... Revelation 10:3; Job 4:9-10; Isaiah 31:4-5; Hosea 5:14; 11:10; Amos 3:8; Revelation 5:5
 - Jesus often appeared in the OT as “the Angel of the Lord” ... Exodus 3:2; Judges 2:4; 6:11-1,21-22; 2 Samuel 24:16
 - **Gabriel** - name means “*Strength of God*”
 - **Michael** - name means “*who is like God*”
 - **Unknown** - scripture is silent on identity

10 I saw still another mighty angel coming down from heaven, clothed with a cloud. And a rainbow *was* on his head, his face *was* like the sun, and his feet like pillars of fire. ² He had a little book open in his hand. And he set his right foot on the sea and *his* left *foot* on the land, ³ and cried with a loud voice, as *when* a lion roars. When he cried out, seven thunders uttered their voices.

--- Revelation 10:1-3 ... NKJV

The Little Book - Revelation 10:2 - OBSERVATIONS

- **The Little Book** - Angel has the Little Book
 - The book is opened in the Angel's hand
 - **What is this little book?**
 - Scholars believe that it is the very scroll that was just opened
 - The Angel has his right foot on the sea
 - The Angel has his left foot on the land
 - The Angel is about to make an announcement

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--- Revelation 10:1-3 ... NKJV

The Little Book - Revelation 10:3 - OBSERVATIONS

• The Seven Thunders - A loud voice - like a lion

- The Angel cries out with a loud voice
- The cry was like the roar of a lion
- Simultaneously with the cry of the Angel
- Seven thunders uttered their voices
- Lion's Roar ... Is the Angel Jesus?
 - Proverbs 19:12; Joel 3:16
 - When the Father spoke to Jesus on the Earth it thundered ... [John 12:27-30](#)

²⁷ "Now My soul is troubled, and what shall I say? 'Father, save Me from this hour'? But for this purpose I came to this hour. ²⁸ Father, glorify Your name." Then a voice came from heaven, *saying*, "I have both glorified *it* and will glorify *it* again." ²⁹ Therefore the people who stood by and heard *it* said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to Him." ³⁰ Jesus answered and said, "This voice did not come because of Me, but for your sake.

--- [John 12: 27-30](#) ... NKJV

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--- [Revelation 10:1-3](#) ... NKJV

The Little Book - Revelation 10:4 - OBSERVATIONS

• The Seven Thunders - What is said?

- As the Seven Thunders speak
- John is about to write down what they say
- A voice from heaven tells him to

“Seal up the things which the seven thunders uttered, and do not write them”

- Many people have speculated what was uttered
 - Scripture does not tell us
 - The real question is .. Why did John even record this?
 - He could have skipped verse 4 entirely and went straight from verse 3 to verse 5
- It is a bit strange since the Book of Revelation is an unsealed book
- Unlike Daniel which was sealed when written

⁸ Although I heard, I did not understand. Then I said, “My lord, what *shall be* the end of these *things?*”

⁹ And he said, “Go *your way*, Daniel, for the words *are* closed up and sealed till the time of the end.

--- Daniel 12: 8-9 ... NKJV

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--- Revelation 10:4-6 ... NKJV

The Little Book - Revelation 10:5 - OBSERVATIONS

- **Delay No Longer** - Hand Raised to Heaven
 - The Angel raises his hand to heaven
 - This is another reason why some scholars do not believe this Mighty Angel is Jesus Christ
 - However, God has put Himself under oath when He
 - Made His covenant with Abraham ... [Hebrews 6:13-20](#)
 - Made declared His Son to be High Priest ... [Hebrews 7:20-22](#)
 - Promised David that the Christ would come from his family ... [Acts 2:29-30](#)

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--- [Revelation 10:4-6](#) ... NKJV

The Little Book - Revelation 10:6 - OBSERVATIONS

- **Delay No Longer** - Hand Raised to Heaven
 - Swears by Him who lives forever - Eternal Nature
 - Swears by Him who created and filled - Creator
 - Heaven
 - Earth
 - Sea
 - **Delay no longer**
 - God has been delaying His judgments so that lost sinners will have time to repent ... [2 Peter 3:1-9](#)
 - Time's up.
 - The prayers of the martyred saints are about to be answered ... [Revelation 6:10-11](#)

THERE IS NO SCRIPTURAL RECORD OF JESUS EVER PRAYING FOR THE WORLD IN ITS EVIL STATE (JOHN 17:6-9).

WHY?

"THE WHOLE WORLD LIES UNDER THE SWAY OF THE WICKED ONE"

1 JOHN 5:19

PSALMS 2 TELLS THE WHOLE STORY.

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The Little Book - Revelation 10:7 - OBSERVATIONS

- **The Mystery of God** - Would be Finished
 - Which Mystery of God?
 - The problem of evil in the world.
 - Evil has been permitted to increase until the world is ripe for judgment
2 Thessalonians 2:7; Revelation 14:14-20
 - The price has been paid.

⁷ but in the days of the sounding of the seventh angel, when he is about to sound, the mystery of God would be finished, as He declared to His servants the prophets.

--- Revelation 10:7 ... NKJV

The Little Book - Revelation 10:7 - OBSERVATIONS

• The Mystery of God - Would be Finished

• Which Mystery of God?

- It may come as a surprise to learn that God has never reigned on the earth.
- He is the sovereign King over all of the universe—over both heaven and earth.
- He has ruled, overruled, and intervened upon the earth.
- He governs in a manner that seems remote and incomplete.
- He has never used His absolute power to bring about an end to demonic evil, human rebellion, and global injustice and suffering.
- And He does not receive the worship and honor that is His due. **THAT IS ALL ABOUT TO CHANGE.**
- That is what we pray for when we pray, “*Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.*”
- This reign will be inaugurated in **Revelation 11:17.**

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Mysteries of ...

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The Kingdom of Heaven	Matthew 13:11
The Kingdom	Mark 4:11
Israel's Blindness	Romans 11:25
The Rapture	1 Corinthians 15:51
His Will	Ephesians 1:9
Christ and the Church	Ephesians 5:32
The Gospel	Ephesians 3:4; Colossians 1:26-27;4:3
Iniquity	2 Thessalonians 2:7
God and Christ	Colossians 2:2
The Faith	1 Timothy 3:9
Godliness	1 Timothy 3:16
The 7 Stars and Golden Lampstands	Revelation 1:20
Babylon the Great	Revelation 17:5
The Harlot	Revelation 17:7

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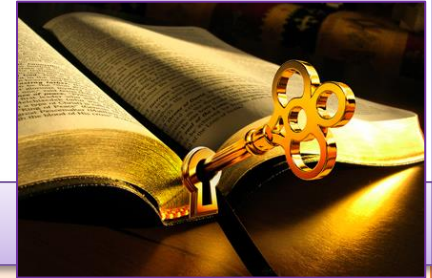
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John Eats the Little Book - Revelation 10:8 - OBSERVATIONS

- **John and the Little Book - Take the Book**
 - John is commanded to take the little book from the angel who has it opened (un-scrolled) in his hand
 - God is control - directing all actions in heaven & on earth
 - **The Little Book**
 - Is this the book/scroll of [Revelation 5](#)?
 - Scholars are divided on this.

IF yes THEN

The Seven Seals have been loosed.

It is completely opened.

Only Christ was able to open it.

He has the posture of a conqueror taking possession.

He is claiming the whole world ... [Deuteronomy 11:24](#);
[Joshua 1:1-3](#); [1 Corinthians 10:26-28](#); [Colossians 1:16](#)

All things must be put under His feet ... [Psalm 8:6](#);
[Hebrews 2:8](#)

We are but tenants - the owner is coming.

⁸ Then the voice which I heard from heaven spoke to me again and said, "Go, take the little book which is open in the hand of the angel who stands on the sea and on the earth."

⁹ So I went to the angel and said to him, "Give me the little book."

And he said to me, "Take and eat it; and it will make your stomach bitter, but it will be as sweet as honey in your mouth."

--- Revelation 10:8-9 ... NKJV

John Eats the Little Book - Revelation 10:9 - OBSERVATIONS

- **John and the Little Book-** John Ask for the Book

- John approaches the Angel and asks for the book
- The Angel gives him the little book and tells him
 - Take it and eat it
 - It will make your stomach bitter
 - It will be sweet as honey in your mouth

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--- Revelation 10:8-9 ... NKJV

John Eats the Little Book - Revelation 10:10 - OBSERVATIONS

• John and the Little Book - John Eats the Book

- John eats the book
 - And it is as the Angel said ...
 - Sweet as honey in his mouth
 - But made his stomach bitter
- God's word is often compared to food.

- Bread ... Matthew 4:4
- Milk ... 1 Peter 2:2
- Meat ... 1 Corinthians 3:1-2
- Honey ... Psalm 119:103

FOOD IS ESSENTIAL TO LIFE!
 GOD'S WORD IS ESSENTIAL
 TO SPIRITUAL LIFE!

¹⁰ Then I took the little book out of the angel's hand and ate it, and it was as sweet as honey in my mouth. But when I had eaten it, my stomach became bitter. ¹¹ And he said to me, "You must prophesy again about many peoples, nations, tongues, and kings."

--- Revelation 10:10-11 ... NKJV

John Eats the Little Book - Revelation 10:11 - OBSERVATIONS

• John and the Little Book - John Assimilates It

- God's word must be Assimilated - Digested
 - Assimilation is Essential
 - Seeing, taking & knowing are not enough.
 - Must become a part of you.
- Only after John assimilates the book will ...
- He Prophecy again **about** many ...

- Peoples
- Nations
- Tongues
- Kings

NOTICE

JOHN IS TO PROPHECY **ABOUT** MANY ...
NOT **TO** MANY...

- Some scholars use this verse to claim John as one of the two witnesses (next chapter) - *I am not one of them.*

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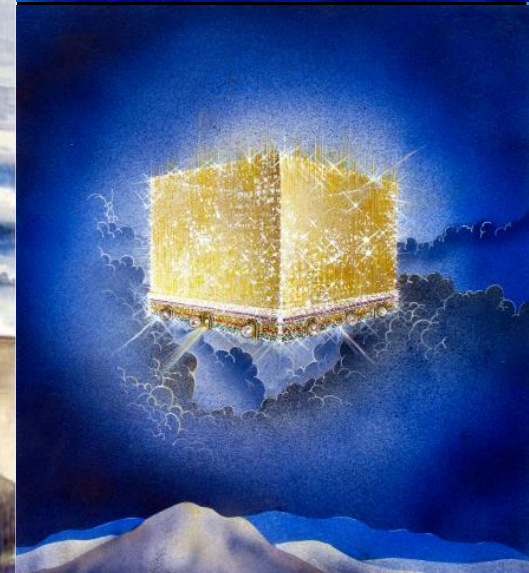


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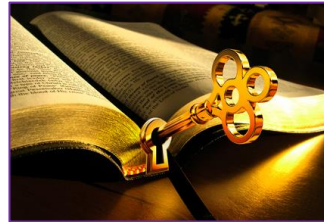
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End of Lesson



Blessed is he who reads and those who hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written in it; for the time is near. **Rev. 1:3 NKJV**

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