



Goodhope Ministries Bible Study
Jesus Christ Our Good Hope - II Thess 2:16

CLASS 3: SCROLL OF REVELATION

PRELUDE TO THE SEVEN ASSEMBLIES/CHURCHES "THE NATURE OF THE BRIDE TO BE FULFILLED"

TODAY'S WORK:

REVELATION CHAPTER 1:1-20

- Many have turned away from Revelations believing it could not be understood.
 - Verse 3 clearly states otherwise. Guard/Keep - OBEY these words... If we are being instructed to Obey then we must be able to Understand. Jeremiah 23:18-20

- Who does the Prophecy First Address?
 - The 7 Assemblies/Churches - God's/Christ's True Church - not a denominational religious institution but the True Church that is to be the Bride.
 - 7 different churches in Asia Minor - Currently Turkey - written appx. 91 - 96 AD during height of Roman oppression - Emperor Domitian
 - 7 different cities lying in close proximity to one with their own set of doctrinal & spiritual problems.
 - Note: The Number 7 traditionally represents = Completion/Fulfillment
 - The Number 10 traditionally represents = Holiness/Perfection
 - Christ utilizing each one to show a pattern that would span the 2,000 year history of HIS Church. (Multiple levels being addressed here) .
 - Combined the letters/messages represent the overall message of the scroll
 - Vs 11 - Entire Book (what was to be written down) sent to ALL 7 churches & their letters
 - Combined these 7 - completion collectively, represent the Entire Church in all history
 - Are directed to the 7 successive eras or stages of the Church through Christ's Second Coming
 - Address the spiritual condition & issues of the Greater church at the time of the letters as well as the end times.

The Letters also are specifically addressing the angels of each church

- Why is the TRUE Church - Ecclesia - Assembly of the Body Christ addressed First?
 - Additional questions:
 - How are they addressed?
 - What is the presumed nature/spirit of those who could receive the message?
 - Why are they addressed first?
 - Is there a role or purpose that they/it/the Church is to play?
 - How have they failed it & what is the price of not redeeming or correcting it?
 - Once corrected what is that role?
 - Can the masses receive the greater message of the prophecy without the True Church's place as the Bride?
 - Side bar note: the Churches that Christ uses as examples are in Asia not the Holy Lands? At the time of the Prophecy The Church had expanded extensively.

- How is the Church Addressed?
 - In the OmniNature of Who Christ/Messiah/Yeshua/Jesus Truly IS – He is addressing them in the Full Nature of How they/we as His True Church are to be – In the Fullness of the Holy Spirit – the Ruach haKodesh – The Spirit of God.
 - An implied manifestation of the Fullness of the Godhead including the HIS Holy Spirit.
 - HE is addressing the Church in the Bride Nature that it should be. (7) The Fullness/Completion of what is to be in Union with HIM as His Bride.
 - HIS Relationship with HIS Bride – HIS Church – Us as HIS Church.
 - Verse 4 – from... in conjunction of the Seven Spirits that are before HIS throne.
 - Isaiah 11: 2-3 The Spirit of YHWH/GOD will Rest upon HIM – Messiah
 - Spirit of Wisdom
 - Spirit of Understanding
 - Spirit of Counsel
 - Spirit of Might
 - Spirit of Knowledge
 - Spirit of Fear/Awe
 - Spirit of Righteousness
 - Romans 8: 5-9
 - John 15: 26-27 These two Scripture References are Key.
- Christ standing within the Center of HIS Church
 - Verses 12-20
 - Zech 4: 1-6 Spirit to Spirit is being addressed
 - This is how we are to be able to Obey and Understand! Without it there is No Understanding.
 - Glorious – Christ as He truly is
 - Holding in HIS Right Hand 7 Stars – the Messengers/Angels/of the Churches (Spirits) Rev 2:7
 - Holding in HIS Right Hand the 7 Lampstands – the 7 Assemblies/Churches themselves
 - Note: each Church has a Spirit that is being addressed as well as the Church at Large.
 - An Extremely Sacred and Intimate Relationship – Christ as HE Truly IS is in the midst of HIS Church – Holding Them.
 - Verse 20 – “The Secret” ... God is His own Interpreter!
- Verse 5
 - We as was John are HIS Bondservants –
 - John 10: My Sheep know my voice. – The True Christ bearers know HIS voice.
 - Rev 5: 9 – 10 The elect of God have been made into kingdom – Now

KEY CORRELATIVE SCRIPTURE FOR THE REVELATION PROPHECY WORK

DANIEL 7	↔	MATTHEW 24	↔	SCROLL OF REVELATION
DANIELS VISION		OLIVET PROPHECY OF YESHUA		REVELATION PROPHECY OF CHRIST