

## *Session 3 The Theme of the Book of Revelation (Rev. 1:1-8)*

### *Additional Study Materials*

#### **I. ANSWERS TO THE FILL-IN THE BLANKS FOR THIS SESSION**

The book of Revelation is called the *revelation of Jesus* because first it reveals the majesty of His heart and leadership in His plan to **TRANSITION HISTORY** to the age to come.

Second, it is a book about events that take place in His end-time plan to **PURIFY THE CHURCH**, bring in the harvest and replace all the evil governments on earth.

Each description and reward communicates a specific insight about Jesus that is necessary in **EQUIPPING THE CHURCH** to overcome compromise, endure persecution, and engage in partnership with Jesus in the great end-time drama.

It describes **WHO HE IS** (how He thinks and feels) and *what He does* in His end-time plan.

Jesus gave us these insights into His heart and ministry to **FORM THE WAY** we pray, prophesy, and serve Him in releasing His glory and warring against evil.

No aspect of God's grace more powerfully transforms our emotions or satisfies us than when God the Spirit **REVEALS GOD** to our hearts.

The Spirit is raising up those who will proclaim **THE RICHES OF JESUS**.

In Revelation 1, Jesus is seen as the **SON OF MAN** who leads the Church through history as the *Prophet, Priest, and King*.

The Father revealed a **SMALL PERCENTAGE** of the events that will occur in the generation that Jesus returns in—the ones that He considered as especially strategic.

Thus, we know that the Father wants the servants of God **TO BE FAMILIAR** with these events.

This blessing is **WITHIN THE REACH OF ALL**.

Using the truths in the book of Revelation, God will impart peace to overcome **FEAR** and grace to resist **COMPROMISE**.

The Father is **COMING TO THE EARTH**.

He was **DEEPLY INVOLVED** with the earth from before its foundations in Genesis 1.

The one Holy Spirit is described as the seven Spirits to emphasize His great diversity in **FUNCTION AND ABILITY**.

Jesus **TOLD THE TRUTH** about God, man, Israel, culture, the end times, etc.

Jesus is preeminent in authority over the **SUPERNATURAL REALM** as its human heir.

Jesus is preeminent in authority over the **EARTHLY REALM** of government.

Jesus uses His position of honor as heir in the realm of the spirit and ruler of the earth to express love to us by qualifying us to **DRAW CLOSE** to God and **EXALTING US** to rule with Him.

The primary theme and story line in the book of Revelation is **JESUS' COMING TO THE EARTH** on the clouds to be received as king.

Mourning describes either their **REPENTANCE** unto salvation (Zech. 12:10) or **REMORSE** over their coming judgment (Rev. 1:7; 16:9, 11, 21).

Jesus revealed His majesty as the **SON OF MAN** who is Prophet, Priest, and King (Rev. 1:13-17).

His “eyes like fire” speak of His burning **DESIRE OF LOVE**, His intensity, and His knowledge that penetrate all things as fire penetrates metal.

Jesus' head and hair are white as wool and snow, indicating the **FATHER'S GLORY**.

*More additional Study Materials to come soon.*