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 (1:1)		which must
3.	The TRANSMISSION of this book came from to an to		(1:1c)
4.	The AUTHENTICITY of this book is addressed by the		and
5.	The PROMISE of this book is, "	is he who , and	, and those those things which
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 (1:4c-5a)	and	from the
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?