

# The Book of Revelation - Outline

## I. Introduction

1:1-3 Introduction, Blessing for those who listen

1:4-8 Salutation

1:9-20 Vision of the Lord Jesus

## II. Messages to the Seven Churches

2:1-7 Ephesus - the Busy Church

2:8-11 Smyrna - the Faithful Church

2:12-17 Pergamos - the Compromising Church

2:18-29 Thyatira - the Immoral Church

3:1-6 Sardis - the Defiled and Dying Church

3:7-13 Philadelphia - the Church of the Open Door

3:14-22 Laodicea - the Lukewarm Church

Commendation to all but Laodicea

Rebuke to all but Smyrna and Philadelphia

Common message to all the churches: He that has ears to hear must listen; he that overcomes will be rewarded, and what Christ says to one, He says to all

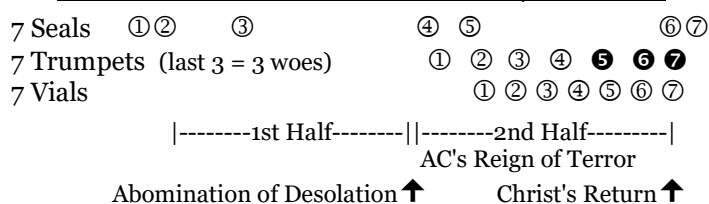
## III. The Throne Room in Heaven and Worship of the Lamb - Chapters 4-5

## IV. Chapters 6-19 - The Tribulation Period

(70th Week of Daniel 9)

The events described in these chapters are **not** given in chronological order. The 6th Seal, 7th Trump & 7th Vial Judgments all describe the same event, which ends the tribulation at Christ's coming; thus the 7 Seals, Trumpets, and 7 Vials are three separate visions of parallel portions of the period, separated by parenthetical interludes at chapters 7 and 11-14, going both into past history and the heavenly throne. The **Seal** judgments encompass the *entire* 70th week of Daniel 9, with the first two immediately preceding and seventh immediately following, while the **Trumpet** and **Vial** Judgments occur only in the latter half (42 months) of that 'week' (Rev. 11:2-3, 12:6-7,14 & 13:5):

### Timeline of Tribulation - Daniel's 70th Week



## IV.1 Seven Seal Judgments - Chapter 6, 8:1

### 1st six seals - Chapter 6

① White Horse - Antichrist's Rise to Power - 6:1-2

② Red Horse - Global Warfare - 6:3-4  
(precipitates the covenant of Daniel 9:27)

③ Black Horse - Feast & Famine - 6:5-6

④ Pale Horse - Death - Pandemics & Plagues - 6:4-8

⑤ Martyrdom, promise of vengeance - 6:9-11

⑥ Great Earthquake & Signs in the Heavens - 6:13-14  
(6th Seal is also described at Matt. 24:29; takes place "immediately after the tribulation of those days")

## IV.2 (Parenthetical Interlude) - Chapter 7

144,000 Sealed, Redeemed Multitude in Heaven

⑦ 7th Seal: Silence in Heaven - 8:1

## IV.3 Seven Trumpet Judgments - Chapters 8-9, 11

① Flaming Hail burns 1/3 earth - 8:7

② Burning Mountain - 1/3 Seas turned to blood - 8:8

③ Burning Star (Wormwood) - 1/3 Rivers/streams smitten

④ 1/3 Sun Moon & Stars smitten - darkness - 8:12

Last Three Trumpets - 3 woes (8:13):

⑤ Apollyon - Torment by scorpion-like locusts - 9:1-12

⑥ 200M Man Army from east of Euphrates - 9:13-21  
1/3 of mankind killed

## IV.4 Seven Thunders - a Mystery message - Ch. 10

⑦ The Last Trump - 10:7, 11:15-19

Previews the 2nd Coming of Christ  
Great earthquake, hail (6th Seal, 7th Vial)  
(**Ends the tribulation**; cf. Rev 20:1-6,  
1 Cor. 15:51-52, Matt. 24:31)

## IV.5 (Parenthetical Interludes)

**Chapter 11:1-14** - The Two Witnesses

**Chapter 12** - Satan attacks Israel

**Chapter 13** - Antichrist and the False Prophet

**Chapter 14** - Angelic Announcements

## IV.6 Seven Vial Judgments - Chapters 15-16

① Grievous Sores - 16:2

② Sea turned to blood - all sea life dies - 16:3

③ All rivers & springs turned to blood - 16:4-7

④ Scorching Heat - 16:8-9

⑤ Darkness & Pain - 16:10-11

⑥ Euphrates dried up for Kings of East - 16:12-16  
Preparations for Armageddon

⑦ Great Earthquake, Hail (6th Seal, 7th Trump) - 16:17-21

## IV.7 Babylon - Revived Roman Empire

**Chapter 17** - Religious Babylon - Rome

**Chapter 18** - Commercial/Political Babylon

Destruction of Babylon (Roman/American Empire)

## V. **CHRIST'S SECOND ADVENT**

**Chapter 19** - Battle of Armageddon

## VI. **Millennial Reign of Christ** - 20:1-6

a. Satan bound for 1000 years - 20:2-3

b. "First Resurrection" of the Redeemed - 20:4-6  
Judgment Seat of Christ (Rom. 14:10) - believers only

c. Millennial Reign of Christ on Earth  
(Dan. 7:18, 26-27)

d. Satan's Final Rebellion & Destruction - 20:7-10

## VII. **Great White Throne Judgment** - 20:11-15

## VIII. **Our Eternal Inheritance** - 21:1-22:5

The New Jerusalem

## IX. **Epilogue & Conclusion** - 22:6-21