

A THE STRUCTURE OF REVELATION

- ❖ The book of Daniel ends with a blessing: “Blessed is he who waits...” (Daniel 12:12). The book of Revelation begins with a blessing, like if it was the sequel of Daniel (Revelation 1:3)
- ❖ Both books are divided in two sections: history and eschatology (the events in the End Time). Revelation includes an extra chapter as a bridge between those sections.
 - History: Daniel 1-6; Revelation 1-11.
 - Bridge: Revelation 12.
 - Eschatology: Daniel 7-12; Revelation 13-22.

B REVELATION AND THE SANCTUARY

- ❖ The Outer Courtyard of the earthly sanctuary was a symbol of the events happening on Earth (Rev. 11:2). The Holy Place and Most Holy Place were a symbol of the events happening in the Heavenly Sanctuary.
- ❖ John was shown the history of the Church. Then, he entered the Heavenly Sanctuary through “a door standing open in heaven.”
- ❖ In Revelation, John was shown Heavenly truths by using symbols from the Sanctuary.

C JESUS AND REVELATION

❖ IMAGES OF JESUS

- Revelation explains Jesus’ redeeming work by using images:
 - (1) His sacrifice. A lamb who was slain (5:6)
 - (2) His resurrection. He has the keys of Hades and of Death (1:18)
 - (3) His ascension. A Child caught up to God (12:5)
 - (4) His victory. The Lion of the tribe of Judah (5:5)
 - (5) His Second Coming. Sat on a cloud with a sharp sickle in His hand (14:14-16)

❖ THE ALPHA AND OMEGA

- Jesus reveals Himself in the first chapter of Revelation:
 - (1) Jesus redeemed us by His love (v. 5)
 - (2) Jesus has given us the victory (v. 6)
 - (3) Jesus “is coming with clouds.” (v. 7)
 - (4) Jesus is God (v. 8)
 - (5) Jesus has defeated death (v. 18)
 - (6) Jesus cares about us (v. 12, 13, 20)