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88 GOLDEN KEYS - SYMBOLS OF REVELATION - LITERAL MEANING

Angel	Messenger.....	Daniel 8:16; 9:21; Luke 1:19, 26; Hebrews 1:14.
Ark of Testimony	Ark of the covenant/mercy seat..... where God dwells	Exodus 25:10-22; Psalm 80:1
Babylon	Religious apostasy/confusion	Genesis 10:8-10; 11:6-9; Revelation 18:2, 3; Revelation 17:1-5
Balaam, doctrine of	Advancing our own interests, compromise, idolatry	Numbers 22:5-25
Beast	Kingdom, government, political power....	Daniel 7:23
Binding of Satan	A symbolic chain of circumstances	Isaiah 14:12-20
Black	Moral darkness, sin, apostasy	Exodus 10:21-23; Jeremiah 4:20-28; 8:21; Acts 26:18; John 12:35; Joel 2:1-10
Blood	Life.....	Leviticus 17:11; Deuteronomy 12:23
Bottomless pit	Earth in chaos, torn up, dark & empty	Genesis 1:1, 2 cf Jeremiah 4:23-28; Isaiah 24:1-4, 19; Revelation 20:1-3
Bow	Success in battle against evil	Psalm 7:11, 12 (863); Psalm 45:4, 5 (890)
Corrupt Woman	Corrupt, apostate church	Ezekiel 16:15-58; 23:2-21; Hosea 2:5; Hosea 3:1
Crowns	Kingship, victory	I Chronicles 20:2; 2 Kings 11:12; Ezekiel 21:26, 27; James 1:12; 2 Timothy 4:7, 8; I Corinthians 9:25

Cup	Meted out suffering and judgments	Psalms 11:6; 75:8; Isaiah 51:17, 22-23; Jeremiah 25:15-17; 49:12
Day	Literal year	Ezekiel 4:6; Numbers 14:34
Door	Opportunity	2 Corinthians 2:12; Revelation 3:20
Dragon	Probation.....	Luke 13:24, 25
Eagle	Satan or his agency	Isaiah 27:1; 30:6; Psalm 74:13, 14; Revelation 12:7-9; Ezekiel 29:3; Jeremiah 51:34
	Speed, power, vision, vengeance,.....	Deuteronomy 28:49; Habakkuk 1:6-8; Revelation 12:14 protection
Eating the book	Assimilating the message	Ezekiel 3:1-3; Jeremiah 15:16
Egypt	Symbol of atheism.....	Exodus 5:2
Eyesalve	Holy Spirit to help us see truth;.....	Ephesians 1:17-19; Psalm 119:18; 1 John 2:20, 27; Discernment to understand word; John 16:7-13
	Antidote for spiritual blindness	
Faithful witness	Christ.....	John 18:37; John 3:11; Revelation 1:5; Revelation 3:14; 19:11
False prophet	Apostate Protestantism	Revelation 16:13, 14; 13:13, 14; 19:20
Forehead	Mind.....	Romans 7:25; Ezekiel 3:8, 9
Fornication	Illicit connection between the church	Ezekiel 16:15, 26; Isaiah 23:17; James 4:4; Revelation 14:4 and the world
Wings	Speed	Habakkuk 1:6-8; Jeremiah 4:13; Exodus 19:4
Woman, Pure	True Church	Jeremiah 6:2 cf Isaiah 51:16; 2 Corinthians 11:2; Ephesians 5:22-35
Woman, Impure	Apostate church	Ezekiel 23:2-21; Revelation 14:4; Hosea 2:5; Hosea 3:1; Ezekiel 16:15-58
Wormwood	Sorrow/bitterness	Jeremiah 9:15; 23:15; Lamentations 3:19
Wrath of God	Seven last plagues	Revelation 15:1

Stars	Angels	Revelation 1:16, 20; 12:4-9; Job 38:7
Sun	Jesus and the gospel	John 9:5; Psalm 84:11; Malachi 4:2; Matthew 17:2; John 8:12
Sword	Bloodshed, destruction	Isaiah 3:25; 13:15; Acts 12:1, 2; Jeremiah 48:2
Testimony of Jesus	Spirit/gift of prophecy	Revelation 19:10; 22:9; I Corinthians 13:2
Thief	Suddenness of Jesus' coming.....	I Thessalonians 5:2; 2 Peter 3:10
Time	Literal Year	Daniel 4:16, 23, 25, 32; 7:25; 11:13 margin; Revelation 12:6, 14 cf 11:2, 3
Torment	Test, prove by trial	I Corinthians 3:13; Hebrews 12:29; Isaiah 33:14
Twenty-four Elders	A group redeemed from earth	Revelation 5:9, 10; 4:4; 7:9-14
Two-edged Sword	God's Word – Sword of Spirit	Ephesians 6:17; Hebrews 4:12; Matthew 10:34; Isaiah 49:2
Two Witnesses	Old and New Testaments.....	John 5:39; Zechariah 4:1-14; Psalm 119:130, 105; John 12:48
Waters	Inhabited area – people, nations	Revelation 17:15
White (colour)	Purity	Psalm 51:7; Isaiah 1:18
White robes	Victory & Righteousness	Isaiah 61:10, Revelation 19:8; 3:5; Zechariah 3:1-5; Revelation 7:14; Galatians 3:27
Winds	Strife, commotion, "winds of war"	Jeremiah 25:31-33; 49:36, 37; 4:1-13; Zechariah 7:14
Wine	False doctrine/teachings	Jeremiah 25:15-18; 51:7
	Jesus blood of atonement	Matthew 26:21-29
Four Beasts or Living Creatures	Heavenly beings with special responsibilities.	Revelation 5:8-10; 4:6-9; 6:1-7; 14:3; 15:7; 19:4
Four Corners of Earth	Four directions of compass	Jeremiah 49:36
Garments	Covering of righteousness	Genesis 35:2; Isaiah 61:10; Isaiah 52:1; Zechariah 3:3-5 ; Romans 13:14
Gold	True riches of heaven, faith, scripture..	Psalm 19:7-10; Galatians 5:6; James 2:5; Job 23:10
Hand	Symbol of work	Ecclesiastes 9:10
Harlot	Apostate church/religion	Isaiah 1:21; Jeremiah 3:1-3, 6-9
Heads	Major powers, rulers, governments	Daniel 7:6 cf Daniel 8:8,22; Revelation 17:3, 10
Hidden Manna	Christ.....	John 6:49, 50, 53; Matthew 13:44
Horn	Power and strength	Deuteronomy 33:17 (348); Zechariah 1:18,19 (1377)
Horse	King or Kingdom	Psalm 89:17,24 (923); Daniel 8:5,21,22 (1311)
	Symbol of battle	Exodus 15:21; Isaiah 43:17; Jeremiah 8:6; Ezekiel 38:15; Zechariah 10:3
	Special representatives/angels	Zechariah 1:8-10; 6:1-8
Image	A likeness	Exodus 20:4; Genesis 1:26; 5:3; Deuteronomy 4:25; Romans 8:29
Incense	Prayers of God's people	Psalm 141:2; Revelation 5:8; 8:3,4
Israel	True followers of Christ	Romans 9:6-8; Romans 2:28, 29; Galatians 3:29

Jezebel	Immorality, idolatry, apostasy I Kings 21:25; 2 Kings 9:22
Key of David	Power to open & close the sanctuary Revelation 3:7, 8; Isaiah 22:22
Keys	Control/jurisdiction Isaiah 22:22; Matthew 16:19
Lamb	Jesus/sacrifice John 1:29; I Corinthians 5:7; Genesis 22:7, 8
Lamb's wife	New Jerusalem Revelation 19:7-9; 21:2, 9, 10
Lion	Strength and Jesus Christ Genesis 49:9; Revelation 5:4-9; Psalm 7:2
Locusts	Destruction/destructive agencies Joel 1:4; Deuteronomy 28:38
Lord's Day	The Sabbath Isaiah 58:13; Matthew 12:8; Exodus 20:10
Man child	Jesus Psalm 2:7-9; Revelation 12:5
Mark	Sign/seal/mark of approval or Romans 4:11; Revelation 7:2, 3; Ezekiel 9:4 disapproval
Measuring Rod	God's law James 2:10-12; Ecclesiastes 12:13, 14 God's word Isaiah 8:19, 20; 2 Timothy 3:16, 17
Merchants	Advocates of Babylon's teachings Isaiah 47:11-15; Nahum 3:16; Revelation 18:3, 11, 15, 23
Moon	Permanence Psalm 89:35-37 Moses' system of types and sacrifices..... Hebrews 10:1, 11
Morning Star	Jesus Revelation 22:16
Mountains	Political or religio/political powers Isaiah 2:2, 3; Jeremiah 17:3; 31:23; Jeremiah 51:24, 25; Ezekiel 17:22, 23; Daniel 2:35, 44, 45
Mystery of God	The gospel Ephesians 1:9, 10; 3:9; 6:19; Colossians 1:26, 27
New Jerusalem	The Holy City of Heaven Revelation 3:12; 21:2
Oil	Holy Spirit Zechariah 4:2-6; Revelation 4:5
Open Door	Unlimited opportunity I Corinthians 16:9; Acts 14:27; John 10:7-9; Hosea 2:15; Colossians 4:3
Rainbow	Token of covenant keeping Genesis 9:11-17
Red (colour)	Sin, corruption Isaiah 1:18; 26:21; Psalm 75:8; Jeremiah 46:10 Persecution, destruction Ezekiel 32:6, 11; Jeremiah 46:10; Nahum 2:3
Reins	Seat of will, affections Psalm 7:9; 16:7; 26:2; 73:21; Proverbs 23:16; Jeremiah 17:10
Seal	Sign, mark and seal mean same thing..... Romans 4:11; Revelation 7:2, 3; Ezekiel 9:4
Second Death	Lake of fire Revelation 21:8, 20:14
Serpent	Satan Revelation 12:7-9; Revelation 20:2
Seven Candlesticks	7 Candlesticks in Holy Place of Sanctuary Exodus 25:31-40 Seven Churches Revelation 1:20
Seven Heads	Seven political powers Revelation 17:9, 10; Isaiah 2:2-4; Jeremiah 17:3
Seven lamps	Jesus, Word of God John 9:5; John 1:9; Psalm 119:105; Revelation 4:5
Sickle	Symbol of harvest – End of world Matthew 13:39; Revelation 14:14
Sodom	Moral degradation Ezekiel 16:46-55; Jeremiah 23:14; Genesis 19:4-14