

Most people revere the Bible. In fact, recent polls indicate that men and women everywhere wish to understand the Bible better. However, for a majority, the book of Revelation is a major problem. Its prophetic language and mysterious symbols seem to defy comprehension, so millions have given up ever understanding it

Many feel that the book applies largely to either the past or the future, and that furthermore, it is a closed, or sealed, book and not meant to be understood by people today.

But the truth is that the book of Revelation is not closed or sealed God's angel commanded that it not be sealed, (Revelation 22:10). Some of the most important messages that God has ever given are found in the book

Revelation is an open book It was written especially for our times — the last days of earth's history (Revelation 22:10-12), and a very special blessing is pronounced upon all who understand and heed the counsel of the book, (Revelation 1:3); 22:7.

Revelation is really a summary of the entire Bible, in which the main themes of Holy Scripture are reviewed in order to stress their importance. As an acorn embodies the mighty oak, so Revelation embodies the great key points of the entire Bible.

Seminars are very popular, today. They are being conducted all over the world on virtually every subject. But this Seminar is far more than the average seminar which is planned to impart information, or to satisfy curiosity.

ELEVEN GREAT SEMINAR BENEFITS FOR YOU

1. This Seminar will bring you face to face with Jesus Christ in a most startling manner. It will stop you right in your tracks. Suddenly, you will see Him in a new and wonderful light
2. It will have a tremendous impact upon your life.
3. It will provide a new understanding of the history of this world since the cross. It is, in fact, the story of the centuries-long warfare between Christ and Satan.
4. It will give unbelievable meaning to conditions in our world today.
5. It will unveil for you the meaning of grand, climactic, shocking events about to take place upon the earth — events that will have a profound effect upon you and your loved ones.
6. It will reveal to you the devil's plans to ensnare people. This infuriates him. So, he will do everything possible to prevent your attendance at this Seminar. The night you miss could be the one you need the most
7. It will lead you to the most momentous decisions of your life.
8. You will be astounded as the great God of Heaven and His Son, Jesus Christ, speak to you through the Holy Spirit You will often be surprised at what you hear. But keep your mind open. God's surprises are always for our good You may not always agree with what is presented But this need not prevent the Seminar from being a great spiritual high point of your life.
9. The Bible is not like any other book It was written by God, and can only be understood as He helps us. Thus, it is absolutely imperative to spend time in prayer, asking God for His help. Unless we do this, the devil will see to it that we end up with erroneous conclusions.
10. This REVELATION SEMINAR will bring into sharp focus the fact that both the Lord and the devil are asking for your worship. The tragedy is that millions are honouring Satan, and do not even know it. Revelation sounds an awesome warning against this, and shows you how to avoid it.
11. It is not possible to cover every detail of Revelation in a short seminar like this: but the broad, basic, main points will be explained, so, when the seminar ends, you will understand the book of Revelation.

NOTE In light of the preceding eleven points, it is crucial that we stress again the importance of uniting our study of Revelation with much prayer. We should humbly ask the Lord to clearly reveal to us His important truths, and give us the faith and courage to follow where He leads.

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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; 4:11-13; Zechariah 7:14
Wine	False doctrine/teachings	Jeremiah 25:15-18; 51:7
Wings	Jesus blood of atonement	Matthew 26:21-29
Woman, Pure	Speed	Habakkuk 1:6-8; Jeremiah 4:13; Exodus 19:4
Woman, Impure	True Church	Jeremiah 6:2 cf Isaiah 51:16; 2 Corinthians 11:2; Ephesians 5:22-35
Wormwood	Apostate church	Ezekiel 23:2-21; Revelation 14:4; Hosea 2:5; Hosea 3:1; Ezekiel 16:15-58
Wrath of God	Sorrow/bitterness	Jeremiah 9:15; 23:15; Lamentations 3:19
	Seven last plagues	Revelation 15:1

NOW LET'S TAKE A QUICK PREVIEW OF THE BOOK:

Chapter	1	The hero of the book is introduced
Chapters	2/3	Christ's message to the seven churches.
Chapters	4/5	Opening a mysterious sealed book
Chapters	6/7	The four horsemen of the apocalypse and the sealing of God's people
Chapters	8/9	The seven trumpets
Chapter	10	Eating the bittersweet book
Chapter	11	The two witnesses in sackcloth
Chapter	12	The mysterious woman standing on the moon
Chapter	13	The mark of the Beast.
Chapter	14	The puzzling message of the three great angels.
Chapters	15/16	The grapes of God's wrath.
Chapters	17/18	Mystic Babylon, the great harlot.
Chapter	19	The Rider on the white horse defeats the beast
Chapter	20	The dragon bound in the bottomless pit for 1000 years
Chapters	21/22	The city of God — The new heaven and new earth.

In eight short, action-packed weeks, the book of Revelation will come alive for you. When the Seminar ends, you will understand the book well enough to give a brief explanation of its contents, yourself. So, let's begin.



YOU WILL IDENTIFY THE SCARLET WOMAN

HOW TO UNDERSTAND THE BOOK OF REVELATION

1. The book of Revelation passed through five steps to reach us. What are they? Revelation 1:1-5, 11, 10

Ans: a God gave it to _____

Ans: b. Jesus gave it to _____

Ans: c. The angel gave it to _____

Ans: d. John _____ it down. (v. 19)

Ans: e. John* sent the book to the _____

*John wrote the book of Revelation on the small rocky island of Patmos (Revelation 1:9) in the Aegean Sea, where he had been banished by the Emperor Domitian because of his faith and forced to work in the mines as punishment Patmos was an island prison, the 'Alcatraz' of its day. John wrote Revelation under the most forbidding and discouraging circumstances.

2. God promises a special blessing to those who:

Ans: _____, _____ and _____ the things written in Revelation.

Revelation 1:3

NOTE: To read and study Revelation is not enough. To be blessed, one must follow its counsel.

3. Whom did Jesus say the Scriptures reveal? John 5:89 (1556)

Ans: _____

4. When explaining prophecy, what approach did Jesus use? Luke 24:25-27, 32

Ans: "He _____ unto them in _____ the _____ the things concerning _____."

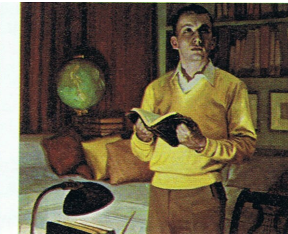
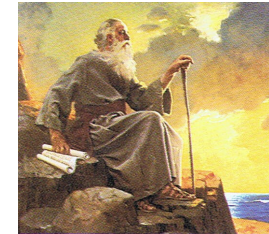
NOTE: Jesus pointed out what other writers of the Bible said on the subject His method is, of course, the correct one: Let the Bible explain itself. Only as we study Revelation in light of what other Bible writers say on the same subject can we ever hope to understand it Our personal opinions regarding prophecy do not count

The amazing key to understanding Revelation is the study of other Bible writers, especially those of the Old Testament Revelation is a mosaic of Old Testament imagery. Taylor G. Bunch, a renowned author says, "Twenty-six of the thirty-nine Old Testament books are quoted from in Revelation, and of the

Red (colour)	Sin, corruption	Isaiah 1:18; 26:21; Psalm 75:8; Jeremiah 46:10
Reins	Persecution, destruction	Ezekiel 32:6, 11; Jeremiah 46:10; Nahum 2:3
Seal	Seat of will, affections	Psalm 7:9; 16:7; 26:2; 73:21; Proverbs 23:16; Jeremiah 17:10
Second Death	Sign, mark and seal mean same thing.....	Romans 4:11; Revelation 7:2, 3; Ezekiel 9:4
Serpent	Lake of fire	Revelation 21:8; 20:14
Seven Candlesticks	Satan	Revelation 12:7-9; Revelation 20:2
Seven Heads	7 Candlesticks in Holy Place of Sanctuary	Exodus 25:31-40
Seven lamps	Seven Churches	Revelation 1:20
Sickle	Seven political powers	Revelation 17:9, 10; Isaiah 2:2-4; Jeremiah 17:3
Sodom	Jesus, Word of God	John 9:5; John 1:9; Psalm 119:105; Revelation 4:5
Stars	Symbol of harvest – End of world	Matthew 13:39; Revelation 14:14
Sun	Moral degradation	Ezekiel 16:46-55; Jeremiah 23:14; Genesis 19:4-14
Sword	Angels	Revelation 1:16, 20; 12:4-9; Job 38:7
Testimony of Jesus	Jesus and the gospel	John 9:5; Psalm 84:11; Malachi 4:2; Matthew 17:2; John 8:12
Thief	Bloodshed, destruction	Isaiah 3:25; 13:15; Acts 12:1, 2; Jeremiah 48:2
Time	Spirit/gift of prophecy	Revelation 19:10; 22:9; I Corinthians 13:2
	Suddenness of Jesus' coming.....	I Thessalonians 5:2; 2 Peter 3:10
	Literal Year	Daniel 4:16, 23, 25, 32; 7:25; 11:13 margin; Revelation 12:6, 14 of 11:2, 3

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	Psalms 2:7-9; Revelation 12:5
Mark	Sign/seal/mark of approval or disapproval	Romans 4:11; Revelation 7:2, 3; Ezekiel 9:4
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	Psalms 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

404 verses in the book, 276 are borrowed or copied from other Bible authors". The first five chapters of Revelation, for example, contain 27, 15, 13, 16 and 14 references respectively to the Old Testament. So keep in mind that we unlock Revelation's prophecies and symbols by finding out what other Bible writers say on the same theme.



What Jesus revealed to John ... He invites us to understand

COMMUNICATION BY SYMBOLS

5. What does Revelation 1:1 say the angel did to the message of Revelation as he gave it to John?

Ans: "And _____ it by His angel unto His servant John."

NOTE: "signify" means to "communicate by signs, tokens or symbols". So, Revelation prophecies are symbolic.

6. How does Revelation 1:1 say that God presented the message of Revelation to His servant?

Ans: To " _____ " unto His servants things which must shortly come to pass.

NOTE: The word "shew" (show) in the context of Revelation indicates a panoramic view. As you read Revelation, it is easy to see that God was showing views to His servant with sound effects. In reporting on the visions, John says "I saw" or "behold", or something similar, 73 times. In Revelation, God is presenting events, nations, religious movements and organizations in word pictures or cartoons. Revelation is God's word-picture book or a vast word-picture gallery.

7. Why did Jesus speak in parables and clothe the book of Revelation in symbols? Luke 8:10

Ans: "That _____ they might not _____, and _____ they might not _____."

NOTE Jesus spoke in parables so that only the Spiritually oriented could understand. He clothed Revelation in symbols for the same reasons: Only

those sincerely seeking truth and guided by the Holy Spirit can comprehend it

Further, the enemies of God are unmasked, and God's people are revealed in Revelation. Centuries ago, God's enemies would have destroyed the book if it had been written in literal language. For this reason, it was necessary to present the messages of the book in language only God's people can understand

But the symbols need not hinder understanding. The Bible tells us what they mean in literal language. Listed below are three prophetic symbols with the Bible explanation of their literal meaning. Write your understanding of the literal meaning of these symbols in the blanks provided:

1. Beast Daniel 7:23 _____
2. Water Rev. 17:15 _____
3. Day Ezekiel 4:6 _____

NOTE: The Seminar provides a list of literal meanings for 88 of Revelation's symbols to aid you in your study. Ask for a copy if you have not already received one.

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AUTHORITY OF BIBLE PROPHECY

8. How reliable are the words of prophecy? 2 Peter 1:16, 19

Ans: "Were _____ of His majesty ... We have also a more _____ word of _____."

NOTE: Prophecy is more reliable than an eyewitness account.

9. God gives two warnings in regards to interpreting prophecy. What are they?

Ans: 1. 2 Peter 1:20 "No _____ is of any _____ interpretation"

Ans: 2. Revelation 22:18, 19 We are not to _____ to or _____ away from the words of this prophecy.

10. Since God says that Revelation is not now, and never has been, sealed, why is it that so many feel it is closed, sealed or impossible to understand? Isaiah 29:10-14

Ans: Satan's strategy is to claim that Revelation cannot be understood because "It is _____" or because we are not _____.

Four Corners of Earth	Jeremiah 49:36
Garments	Genesis 35:2; Isaiah 61:10; Isaiah 52:1; Zechariah 3:3-5; Romans 13:14
Gold	Psalms 19:7-10; Galatians 5:6; James 2:5; Job 23:10
Hand	Ecclesiastes 9:10
Harlot	Isaiah 1:21; Jeremiah 3:1-3, 6-9
Heads	Daniel 7:6 of Daniel 8:8,22; Revelation 17:3, 10
Hidden Manna	John 6:49, 50, 53; Matthew 13:44
Horn	Deuteronomy 33:17 (348); Zechariah 1:18,19 (1377)
Horse	Psalms 89:17,24 (923); Daniel 8:5,21,22 (1311)
	Exodus 15:21; Isaiah 43:17; Jeremiah 8:6; Ezekiel 38:15; Zechariah 10:3
Image	Zechariah 1:8-10; 6:1-8
	Exodus 20:4; Genesis 1:26; 5:3; Deuteronomy 4:25; Romans 8:29
Incense	Psalms 141:2; Revelation 5:8; 8:3,4
Israel	Romans 9:6-8; Romans 2:28, 29; Galatians 3:29
Jezebel	I Kings 21:25; 2 Kings 9:22
Key of David	Revelation 3:7, 8; Isaiah 22:22
Keys	Isaiah 22:22; Matthew 16:19
Lamb	John 1:29; I Corinthians 5:7; Genesis 22:7, 8

Day	Literal year	Jeremiah 25:15-17; 49:12
Door	Opportunity	Ezekiel 4:6; Numbers 14:34
Dragon	Probation.....	2 Corinthians 2:12; Revelation 3:20
Eagle	Satan or his agency	Luke 13:24, 25
Eating the book	Speed, power, vision, vengeance, protection	Isaiah 27:1; 30:6; Psalm 74:13, 14; Revelation 12:7-9; Ezekiel 29:3; Jeremiah 51:34
Egypt	Assimilating the message	Deuteronomy 28:49; Habakkuk 1:6-8; Revelation 12:14
Eyesalve	Symbol of atheism.....	Ezekiel 3:1-3; Jeremiah 15:16
Faithful witness	Holy Spirit to help us see truth; Discernment to understand word; Antidote for spiritual blindness	Exodus 5:2
False prophet	Christ.....	Ephesians 1:17-19; Psalm 119:18; 1 John 2:20, 27; John 16:7-13
Forehead	Apostate Protestantism	John 18:37; John 3:11; Revelation 1:5; Revelation 3:14; 19:11
Fornication 14:4	Mind.....	Revelation 16:13, 14; 13:13, 14; 19:20
Four Beasts or Living Creatures	Illicit connection between the church and the world	Romans 7:25; Ezekiel 3:8, 9
	Heavenly beings with special responsibilities.	Ezekiel 16:15, 26; Isaiah 23:17; James 4:4; Revelation
		Revelation 5:8-10; 4:6-9; 6:1-7; 14:3; 15:7; 19:4

NOTE: Satan does not want people to understand Revelation because it clearly exposes his snares, so he does everything possible to discredit it Satan used this strategy in Old Testament days He is doing it again very effectively, today.

11. Now much of the Scripture is Inspired? 2 Timothy 3:18

Ans: _____

12. If we twist the Scripture to fit our own opinions and preferences, what can be the result? 2 Peter 3:15, 16

Ans: _____

FOUR IMPORTANT KEYS

13. Four things are essential, If I am to truly understand the Bible, including Revelation. What are they?

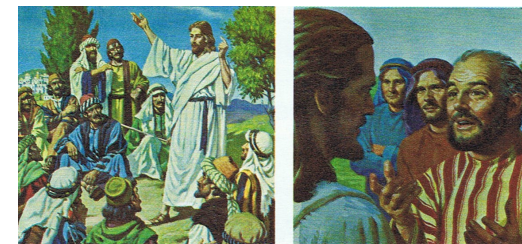
Ans: 1. I Corinthians 2:14 Spiritual things are _____ discerned.

Ans: 2. Revelation 21:6 I must " _____ " for truth.

Ans: 3. 2 Timothy 2:15 and Acts 17:11 I must _____ the Bible and _____ all _____ by its teachings.

Ans: 4. Revelation 1:3 and John 7:17 "If any man will _____ he shall _____ of the _____ whether it be of _____.

NOTE: I must be willing to do God's will as it becomes clear to me. Christ dedicated Revelation to "His servants" or followers. He gives no indication that others will understand it The secret of understanding Spiritual matters is found in Daniel 12:10 (1320): "None of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand". To really understand prophecy, I must have spiritual illumination which is given only to those who love and serve God.



A BIBLE PROPHECY ADVENTURE **REVELATION SEMINARS**

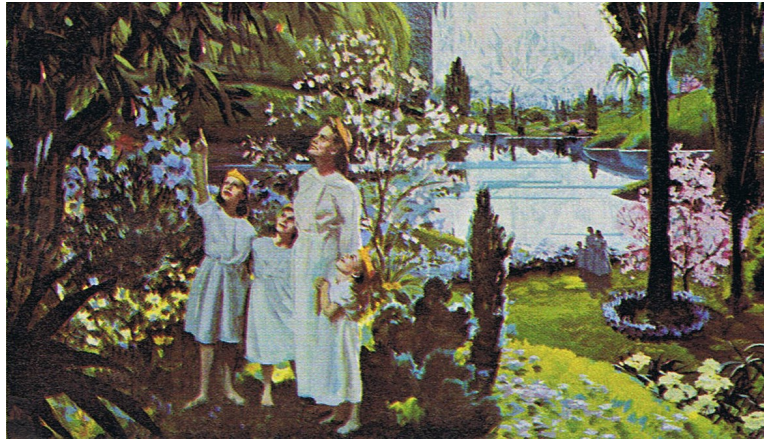
14. What promises does Jeans give to those who obey His word?

Ans: a. Revelation 3:10 He will keep them from the _____ of _____.

Ans: b. Revelation 22:14 They will have right to the _____ of _____ and may enter in through the _____ of the _____.

15. As the Holy Spirit of God shows you great truths about Jeans from the book of Revelation, are you willing to obey these truths?

Ans: _____



Will you accept the GIFT of Eternal Life?

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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	Psalm 11:6; 75:8; Isaiah 51:17, 22-23;