## LESSON ONE

#### **REVELATION — THE OPEN BOOK**

#### **Answer Key**

1.	<ul> <li>a. Jesus,</li> <li>b. The Angel,</li> <li>c. John,</li> <li>d. Wrote,</li> <li>e. Churches</li> </ul>
2.	Hear, Read, Keep
3.	Jesus, himself
4.	Expounded, All, Scriptures, Himself.
5.	Signified
6.	Shew or Show
7.	<ul><li>Seeing, See, Hearing, Understand.</li><li>1. Kingdom,</li><li>2. People,</li><li>3. Year</li></ul>
8.	Eyewitnesses, Sure, Prophecy
9.	Prophecy, Private, Add, Take
10.	Sealed, Learned
11.	All
12.	Our Own Destruction
13.	<ol> <li>Spiritually</li> <li>Thirst</li> <li>Study, Test , Beliefs.</li> </ol>



# LESSON ONE REVELATION — THE OPEN BOOK

# **Study Guide Page 1**

Teaching code - in "teacher notes".

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- 1. Underlining designed to get class participation.
- 2. Bold items messages to instructor.
- **3.** All other copy information designed to go directly to class.

Place materials tor tonight and Lesson 2 with its Exhibits #1 & #2 where students will sit. Lesson 1 and its Exhibits were given out last class. Teach it tonight.

#### WARM WELCOME — BRIEF REVIEW OF PAGE I

Let's move right into lesson.

Have someone read paragraph at bottom of page 1. "Revelation is really a summary ..."

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# **Study Guide Page 2**

Read or Summarize eleven points as you deem appropriate. Caution: do not spend more than 3-4 minutes on this page! Briefly mention the Bible's "Great Controversy Theme", as it appears

throughout the lessons and is a key to understand Scripture

# **Study Guide Page 3**

Stress the importance of overall view of Revelation. Encourage frequent review of this page. Ask how many have read this outline by a show of hands.

# **Study Guide Page 4**

**Q1.** Get the class to read the text in unison. Class answer each question orally.

#### **CLASS PARTICIPATION DRAWS GROUP TOGETHER!**

Q4. Re-emphasize — Scripture explains itself.

After question 4 ask:

What Bible did Jesus use?

ANSWER —- Old Testament.

#### Why did Jesus Teach from the Old Testament?

ANSWER — No New Testament then. Holy Spirit inspired Old Testament. Jesus knew it was God's Word.

# First Offering Next Night \$\_\_\_\_\_\_Total Cost of Seminar \$\_\_\_\_\_\_Total Needed + \$\_\_\_\_\_\_Donations from Christian Friends + \$\_\_\_\_\_\_Last Night's Offerings = \$\_\_\_\_\_Total Needed = \$\_\_\_\_\_Total Needed

**SAMPLES** 

# **DECISION QUESTIONS**

Now, I want you to answer the following questions by placing "X's" in the upper right hand corner of your Quiz Envelope.

Show them on a Quiz Envelope: Sample X X X

# **QUIZ ENVELOPE**

Draw a small line and place an "X" above the line.

- **1.** If tonight's study made sense to you, put an "X" in the upper right corner of your Quiz Envelope.
- 2. If you want me to pray that God will give you His special blessing as you study the Book of Revelation, place another "X".
- **3.** If you want me to pray for you, place another "X".

- 4. The Revelation of Jesus has been unveiled in our day to prepare a people for Christ's soon return. True
- 5. Those who are willing to do God's will, will understand the REVELATION as they study it (John 7:17). True

# TEACHER ASKS FOR AND VERIFIES ANSWERS OFFERING APPEAL\*

With or without transparencies, tell class the amount of offerings thus far and invite liberal offerings for this Seminar and to help conduct others. Thank class for their generosity.

Now, just before our closing prayer, let me say, every drama has a hero and a villain. The book of Revelation is the drama of the ages.

Our next lesson deals with "The Star of the drama of Revelation".

Please be sure to prepare your next lesson before class!

#### **CLOSING REMARKS**

#### PRAYER

By visual aids (transparencies, blackboard, large sheets of paper, projector or verbally explain to class:

A. Seminar free.

- B. Many enjoy helping with expenses.
- C. We have faith that God will supply our need.
- **D.** Thank class for generosity.
- **E.** Emphasize again that Seminar is Free. Make all feel comfortable.

# **Study Guide Page 5**

- **Q6.** God used pictures long before television. Focus on or read and amplify note under #6.
- **Q7**. Revelation is for those sincerely seeking truth. Comments from notes on p. 6:

Jesus used parables.

Jesus unmasked God's enemies.

Jesus chose symbols to aid understanding.

(notes on 7 continued next page)

# **Study Guide Page 6**

Have volunteer give meaning of symbols:

- Beast
- Water
- Day

Draw attention to Exhibit #1 and Explain briefly.

NOTE: Many Exhibits will accompany lessons, so please insert them in your binder with the lesson they go with.

- **Q9.** Have class read 2 Peter 1:20 and then explain that **Any** interpretation that does not agree with all other Bible teachings on the subject is a "private interpretation", regardless of the interpreter.
  - Church or
  - Individual.

\*\*We must compare scripture with scripture!

Prophet — English word from Greek — "Prophétes".

"Pro" — "in the place of," "tor another'.

"phétes" — from "Phi'émi" — (Phi-é-mi) = to speak

Prophet then means "speaking for another'. (One speaking for God. His "mouth-piece".)

# **Study Guide Page 7**

**Q10.** Revelation exposes the schemes of Satan. "He is a smokescreen artist!"

# Q11-12 After class answers these questions, ask "How many of you agree with Paul and Peter regarding scripture?"

- All scripture inspired! (Paul)
- Twisting scripture leads to destruction. (Peter)
- Both Old and New Testament are the Word of God.

#### **Q13. AFTER** responding to Q13:

#### What are the four keys?

According to the note, which is the most important key?

ANSWER — A willingness to do Gods will.

#### **ENCOURAGE DISCUSSION**

# **Study Guide Page 8**

**Q14.** AFTER class responses to #14, ask:

"Which is more important: to believe God's Word or to obey Gods Word?"

#### ANSWER — **BOTH** are **IMPERATIVE**.

**Q15. BEFORE** discussion of Q15

Three points to jot down and remember!

- A. Revelation can be understood!
- **B.** The Bible interprets itself!
- **C.** God has a life and death message to transmit to His last day church through this important book!

## **CLASS APPEAL**

How many of you want me to pray that God will help us apply His Word in our daily lives so we can:

- Feel His presence,
- See His truth,
- Hear His voice through book of Revelation.

If you do, say "yes" to God as we pray.

#### APPEAL PRAYER

Suggested class appeals are important! These are tried and proven and will lead to lasting decisions.

# **QUIZ QUESTIONS**

#### (True or False)

- The Revelation of Jesus Christ came from God the Father, who gave it to His son Jesus, who delivered it to an angel, who passed it on to John, who wrote it down for us.
- 2. One principle of Bible study is to let the Bible explain itself. True
- 3. Those who read, hear, and practice in their life the words and thoughts of the REVEIATION of Jesus Christ are promised a special blessing. True