



Panorama of Revelation

Part 1

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ON THE
BOOK OF REVELATION

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Revelation 3:2

STRENGTHEN
THE THINGS THAT
REMAIN

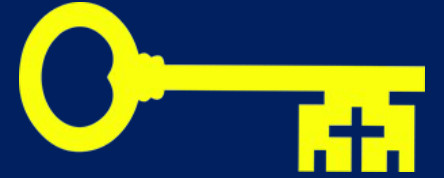
A dramatic, dark blue sky filled with heavy, swirling clouds. The clouds are illuminated from below, creating a sense of depth and movement. The overall color palette is monochromatic, dominated by various shades of blue and black. In the foreground, a dark, flat landscape stretches towards the horizon, with a faint road or path visible. The text "A staggering message" is centered in the middle of the image in a white, serif font.

A staggering message

A dense forest of tall, thin trees, likely pines or spruces, with a mossy forest floor. The trees are closely packed, creating a sense of depth and repetition. The lighting is soft, suggesting an overcast day or a shaded forest interior. The text "It's easy to get lost" is overlaid in the center in a white, serif font.

It's easy to get lost





3 PART OUTLINE

Revelation 1:19 –

“Write the **things** which you have seen,
and the **things** which are, and the
things which will take place after this.”

1

**Write the things
which you have
seen,**

Revelation 1

2

**and the things
which are,**

Revelation 2-3

3

**and the things
which will take
place after this**

Revelation 4-22



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P A N O R A M A

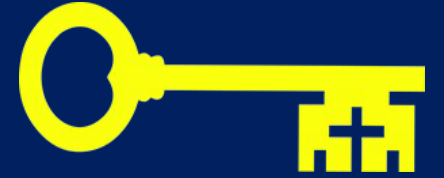


“one view”

AUTHOR

John

tells that he is the author 5 times



AUTHOR

John

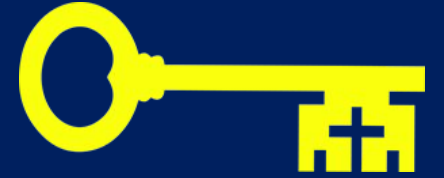
270 out of the 404 verses in Revelation
are connected to the Old Testament

DATE

96 AD

Roman Emperor Domitian





SCENE ALTERNATES

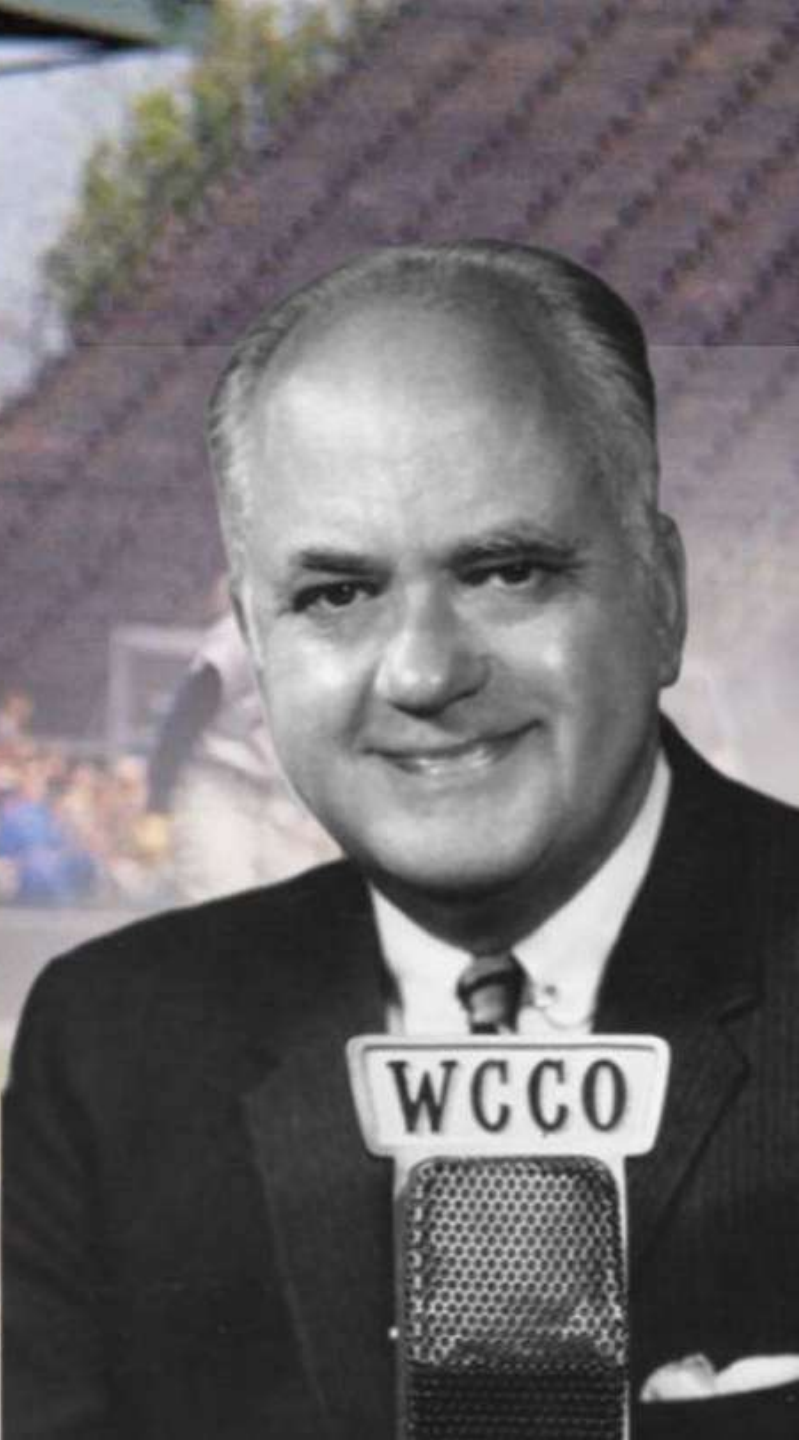
Heaven and Earth

“Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.”



STYLE

Play by play
announcer



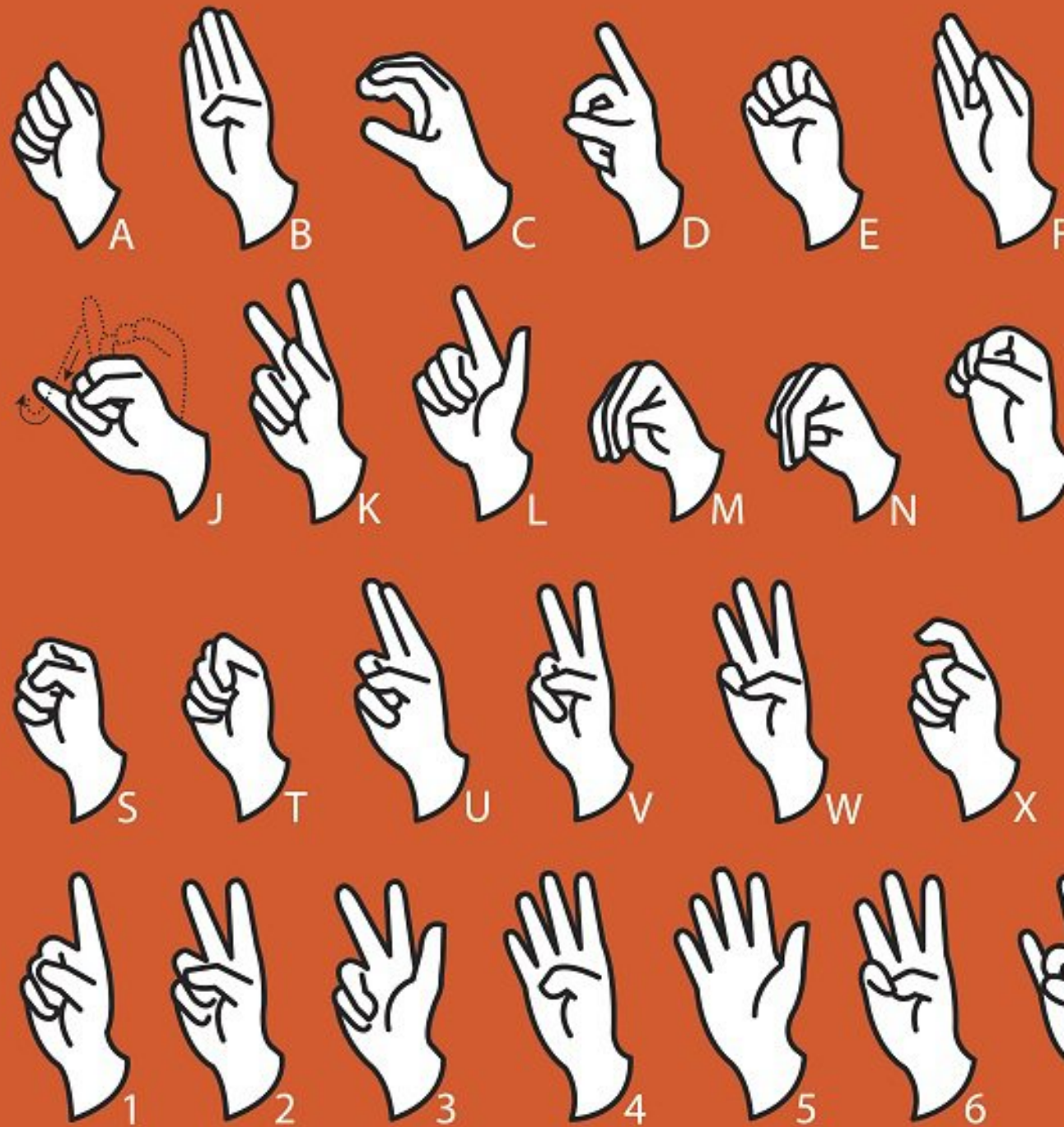
PLAIN INTERPRETATION

Golden Rule of Bible interpretation:

When the plain sense of scripture makes common sense, seek no other sense, otherwise it results in nonsense.

SYMBOLS

Sign language



WHO IS WISE, AND HE SHALL UNDERSTAND THESE THINGS

HOSEA 14:9

THY WORD IS TRUTH JN.17:17

RO. 3:19-20
IS. 64:6
GA. 2:16
GA. 3:10-11
AC. 13:38-39
HE. 9:22
1 JN. 1:7
1 TI. 1:15; 2:4-6
LU. 19:10
JN. 3:16; 5:24

JN. 10:9,28
JN. 11:25-26
1 JN. 5:13
EP. 2:8-9
1 CO. 1:18
HE. 7:25
2 PE. 3:9
LU. 13:23-24
IS. 45:22; 59:1
JE. 17:14

HEAVEN SOUL
2 CO. 12:2-4
2 CO. 5:6-8
AC. 7:55-60; PH. 1:23

RESURRECTION OF LIFE
THE MORNING STAR
RE. 22:16

Judgment Seat of Christ
2 CO. 5:10
RO. 14:10; 2 TI. 4:7,8
1 CO. 3:11-15

THE SUN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS
MAL. 4:2

THE MILLENNIUM

ETERNITY
NEW HEAVENS
IS. 65:17-25

GOD
WITH MEN
RE. 21:14

NEW EARTH
2 PE. 3:13

HEAVENLY SPHERE

EARTHLY SPHERE

INFERNAL SPHERE

JOHN 1:29

COME
JOHN 8:44
LUKE 4:5,6

NO MIDDLE ROAD
1 JN. 5:10-12

BODY
2 CO. 5:8
JOB 19:25-27
2 PETER 1:13-14

GRAVE BODY

THE DOOR IS SHUT FOR EVER
LUKE 13:25
GE. 7:16

SATAN CAST OUT
70th WEEK
ANTICHRIST
RE. 13:1

THE GREAT TRIBULATION
2 TH. 2:1-12; MT. 24:3-31
DESTRUCTION OF BABYLON
RE.17 & 18

THE BATTLE OF ARMAGEDDON
RE. 16:16
THE JUDGMENT OF THE NATIONS
MT. 25:31-46

JESUS
RE. 19:12
DA. 7:22
RE. 20:4
IS. 11:1-9

GOG & MAGOG
RE. 20:8

THE KING SHALL REIGN IN RIGHTEOUSNESS
IS. 32:1
PS. 72

RE. 20:9
2 PE. 3:10,12
1 CO. 15:24-28

MK. 10:14; 2S. 12:23

EP. 2:1-3
RO. 3:9-18
PS. 51:5
JN. 3:3

SATAN

THE CLEAN PATH
MT. 7:13

PR. 16:25; RO. 10:2,3; MT. 7:21-23
LUKE 21:24; ACTS 15:14-17

RO. 5:12
PS. 49:10-14
JA. 4:14
RO. 6:23
EC. 12:5-7

THE GREAT FIXED GULF
LUKE 16:26
PS. 49:8

IS. 5:14
THE BOTTOMLESS PIT
RE. 9:1-3
RE. 20:1-3

RE. 19:20

RE. 20:7

THE JUDGMENT
THE GREAT WHITE THRONE
THE BOOKS OPENED
BOOK OF LIFE
RE. 20:12

RE. 20:10

ETERNITY
THE SECOND DEATH
RE. 20:14-15; 21:8; RE. 14:10-11

THE TWO ROADS AND THE TWO DESTINIES

DEATH
UNTO DUST SHALT THOU RETURN
GE. 3:19
HE. 9:27
JOB 14:10

SOUL

HELL
LUKE 16:19-31
DE. 32:22
PS. 9:17

RE. 20:5
2 PE. 2:4-9
JUDE 5-7, 13

RESURRECTION OF DAMNATION
JOHN 5:28,29
ACTS 24:15

THE LAKE OF FIRE

THIS AGE

HEREAFTER

Locusts? of Rev. 9



SYMBOLS

The principle is that every symbol used in Revelation is explained or alluded to somewhere else in the Bible.

— Henry Ironside

God is His own interpreter



Symbol

Reality

Symbol

Reality

The seven lampstands

Symbol

The seven lampstands

Reality

The seven churches

WHY SO MANY SYMBOLS?

Lion of the Tribe of Judah



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Lamb



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Lion of the Tribe of Judah



Lamb



Symbols help describe His character.

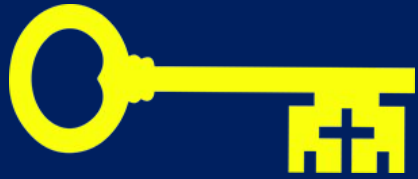
NUMBERS



7

Completeness

NUMBERS



12

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Completeness

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3

NUMBERS



The Revelation of Jesus Christ.

Revelation 1:1 - The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show His servants--things which must shortly take place. And He sent and signified it by His angel to His servant John,

Lord Jesus was veiled when He was on earth.



The Unveiling.

Revelation is to uncover, to unveil.

See Him as He *really* is.

1 John 3:2 when he shall appear, we shall be like him; **for we shall see him as he is.**



THEME OF THE BOOK

Look for Christ

Revelation is a portrait gallery of



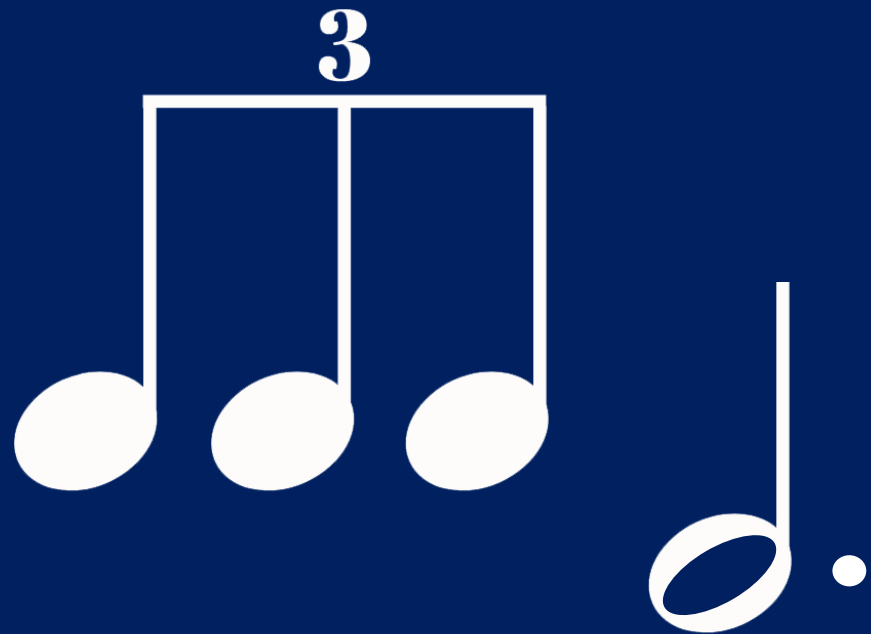
TRANSFIGURATION

John 1:14 - And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, and **we beheld his glory**, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

We beheld his glory

TRIPLETS

3



Revelation 1:1 - The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show His servants--things which must shortly take place. And He sent and signified it by His angel to His servant John,

THREE RECIPIENTS

3

1. His Son
2. His angel
3. His servants — John and us

Revelation 1:2 - who bore witness to the word of God, and to the testimony of Jesus Christ, to all things that he saw.

THREE RESOURCES

3

1. Word of God - Old Testament
2. the testimony of Jesus Christ – New Testament
3. And of things which he saw – Vision

2-3 witnesses establishes truth

Revelation 1:3 - Blessed is he who reads and those who hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written in it; for the time is near.

THREE PART BLESSING

1. READ IT. – *What does it say?*
2. HEAR IT. – *What does it mean?*
3. KEEP IT. – *What should I do?*

There are **7** blessings in Revelation.



3

Revelation 1:4 - John, to the seven churches which are in Asia:
Grace to you and peace from Him who is and who was and who
is to come, and from the seven Spirits who are before His
throne,

GREETING

Author: John

Recipients: Seven churches

Location: Asia Minor

Greeting: Grace and peace

SEVEN CHURCHES

54 7's

- 7 Letters
- 7 Spirits
- 7 Golden lampstands
- 7 Stars
- 7 Seals
- 7 Horns
- 7 Eyes
- 7 Angels
- 7 Trumpets
- 7 Thunders
- 7 Thousand people
- 7 Heads
- 7 Plagues
- 7 Golden bowls
- 7 Hills
- 7 Kings

Revelation 1:4 - ...from **Him who is and who was and who is to come,**

THREE PART DESCRIPTION of the Eternal Father

3

1. Who is
2. Who was
3. Who is to come

Eternal

Revelation 1:4 , and from the seven Spirits who are before
His throne,

SEVEN SPIRITS

Isaiah 11:2 –

Spirit of the **LORD**

Spirit of **wisdom**

Spirit of **understanding**

Spirit of **counsel**

Spirit of **might**

Spirit of **knowledge**

Spirit of the **fear of the LORD**

7

Revelation 1:4 - from Him and from the seven Spirits
Revelation 1:5 - and from Jesus Christ, ...

THREE PART GODHEAD

3

1. God the Father - has given the revelation
2. Spirit of God - the interpreter of the revelation
3. Lord Jesus - the subject of the revelation

Revelation 1:5 and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness,
the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler over the kings of
the earth...

THREE PART TITLE

1. the faithful witness, - **PROPHET**
2. the firstborn of the dead, - **PRIEST**
3. the prince of the kings of the earth - **KING**

3

Revelation 1:5 „,To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood,
Revelation 1:6 -and has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, ...

THREE BENEFITS

1. LOVED US - past
2. WASHED US - present
3. MADE US - future

3

And that's just the introduction.

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7 sets of 3's

Revelation 1:7 - Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him, even they who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him. Even so, Amen.

Behold!

Revelation 1:7 - **Behold, He is coming with clouds**, and every eye will see Him, even they who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him. Even so, Amen.

Acts 1:9 - And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight.

Revelation 1:8 - "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End," says the Lord, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

THREE TITLES OF THE LORD JESUS

3

All three are ETERNAL.

1. I am Alpha and Omega
2. The beginning and the End
3. who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

Father - vs 4

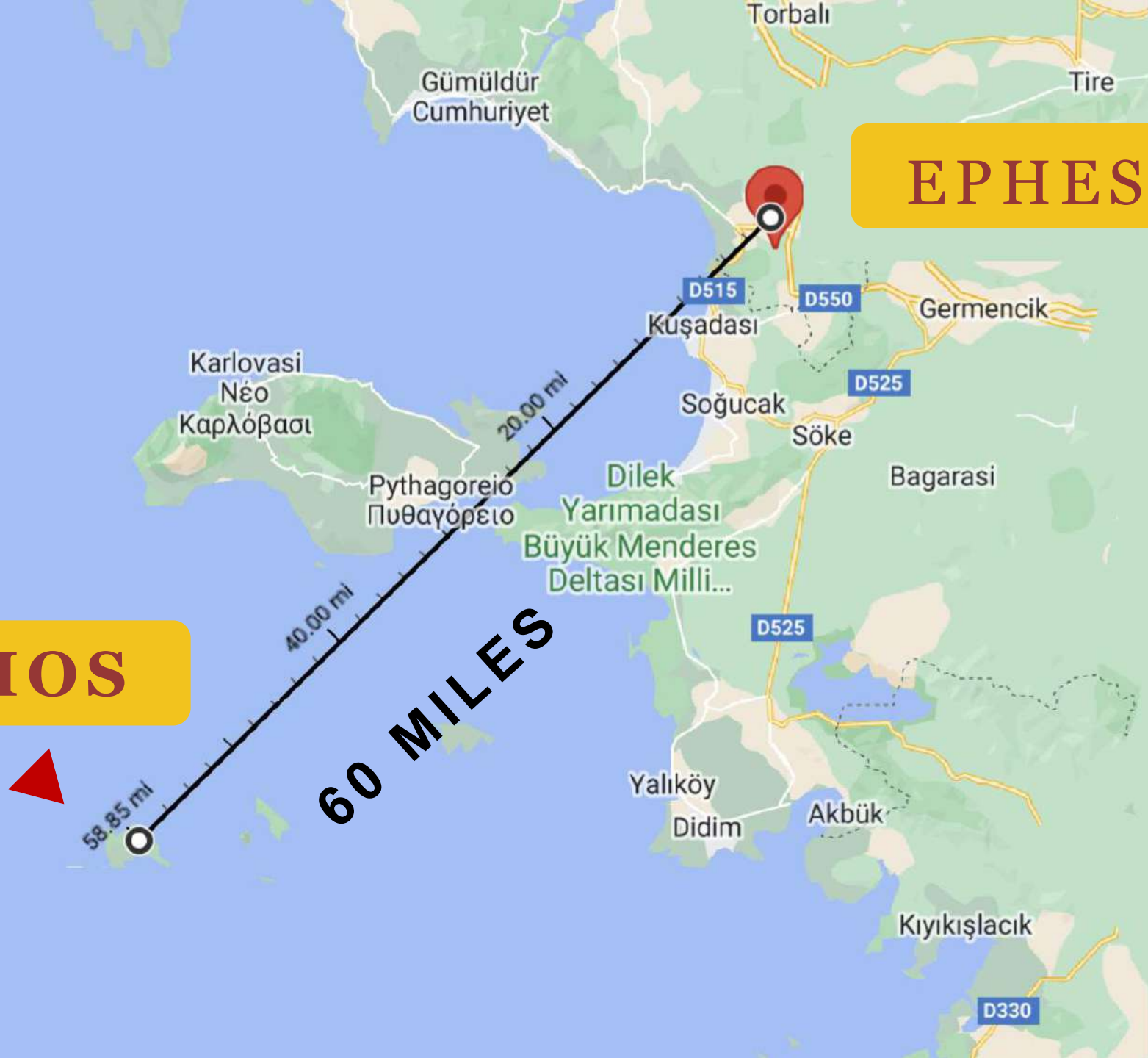
Son - vs 8

Revelation 1:9 - I, John, both your brother and companion in the tribulation and kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was on the island that is called Patmos for the word of God and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.

John, your brother

EPHESUS

PATMOS



Isle of Patmos



Revelation 1:10 - I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day, and I heard behind me a loud voice, as of a trumpet,

In the Spirit, Lord's Day

Praying in the Spirit • Worship in Spirit
Walk in the Spirit • Sing with the Spirit
Spirit of truth • Sword of the Spirit.

Revelation 1:11 - saying, "I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last," and, "What you see, write in a book and send it to the seven churches which are in Asia: to Ephesus, to Smyrna, to Pergamos, to Thyatira, to Sardis, to Philadelphia, and to Laodicea."

SEVEN CHURCHES

Not one letter for each church
but all of the book goes to all
of the churches





Aegean Sea

PERGAMOS

THYATIRA

SARDIS

PHILADELPHIA

LAODICEA

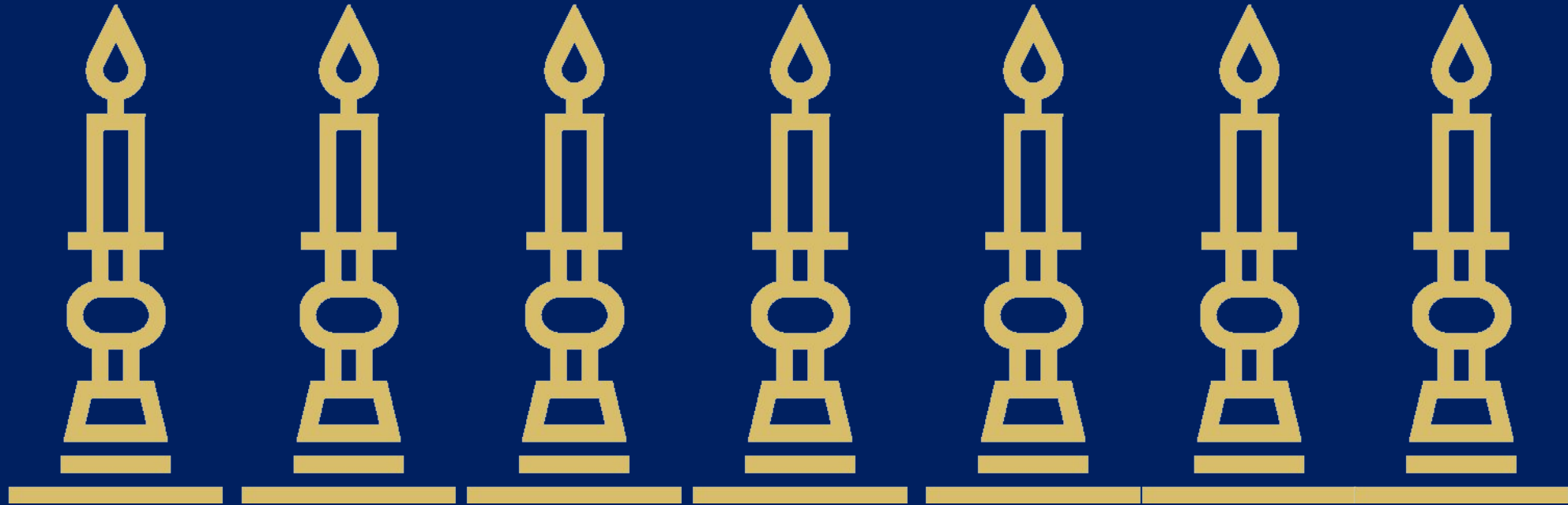
SMYRNA

EPHESUS

ASIA MINOR

PATMOS

Revelation 1:12 - Then I turned to see the voice that spoke with me. And having turned I saw seven golden lampstands,



SEVEN GOLDEN LAMPSTANDS

Rev 1:12 And having turned
I saw **seven golden
lampstands,**

Symbol

Reality

The seven lampstands

Rev 1:12 And having turned
I saw **seven golden
lampstands,**

Rev 1:20 - and the seven
lampstands which you saw
are the **seven churches.**

 Symbol

The seven lampstands

 Reality

The seven churches

A light needs power

Oil in the bible is a picture
of the Holy Spirit.

Lamp is dependent upon oil
in order to give light.



Revelation 1:13 - and in the midst of the seven lampstands One like the Son of Man, clothed with a garment down to the feet and girded about the chest with a golden band.

SON OF MAN

John 5:27 - "and has given Him authority to execute **judgment** also, because He is the **Son of Man**."

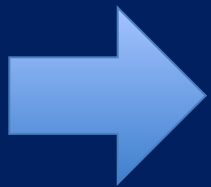
Son of Man is connected to judgment.



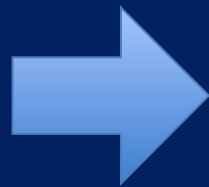
JUDGMENT BEGINS

“the time has come for **judgment to begin at the house of God**; and if it begins with us first, what will be the end of those who do not obey the gospel of God?” **1 Peter 4:17**

Judgment
begins with
the church



Judgment
then comes
to the world



Revelation 1:12 - Then I turned to see the voice that spoke with me.
And having turned I saw seven golden lampstands,

13 - and in the midst of the seven lampstands One like the Son of Man, clothed with a garment down to the feet and girded about the chest with a golden band.

14 - His head and hair were white like wool, as white as snow, and His eyes like a flame of fire;

15 - His feet were like fine brass, as if refined in a furnace, and His voice as the sound of many waters;

16 - He had in His right hand seven stars, out of His mouth went a sharp two-edged sword, and His countenance was like the sun shining in its strength

Descriptions of the Lord repeated in 7 Church letters

Rev 2:1 - "To the angel of the church of **Ephesus** write, 'These things says **He who holds the seven stars in His right hand, who walks in the midst of the seven golden lampstands:**

Rev 2:8 - "And to the angel of the church in **Smyrna** write, 'These things says the **First and the Last, who was dead, and came to life:**

Rev 2:12 - "And to the angel of the church in **Pergamos** write, 'These things says **He who has the sharp two-edged sword:**

Rev 2:18 - "And to the angel of the church in **Thyatira** write, 'These things says the Son of God, **who has eyes like a flame of fire, and His feet like fine brass:**

Rev 3:1 - "And to the angel of the church in **Sardis** write, 'These things says He **who has the seven Spirits of God and the seven stars:** "I know your works, that you have a name that you are alive, but you are dead.

Rev 3:7 - "And to the angel of the church in **Philadelphia** write, 'These things says He who is holy, He who is true, "He who has the key of David, He who opens and no one shuts, and shuts and no one opens":

Rev 3:14 - "And to the angel of the church of the **Laodiceans** write, 'These things says the Amen, the Faithful and True Witness, the Beginning of the creation of God:

SUMMARY OF THE VISION

Purity & **POWER**

Revelation 1:13 -and in the midst of the seven lampstands One like the Son of Man, clothed with a garment down to the feet and girded about the chest with a golden band.

PRIESTLY GARMENTS

He is a righteous pure judge

Revelation 1:14 - His head and hair were white like wool, as white as snow, and His eyes like a flame of fire;

HAIR WHITE LIKE WOOL, EYES LIKE FIRE

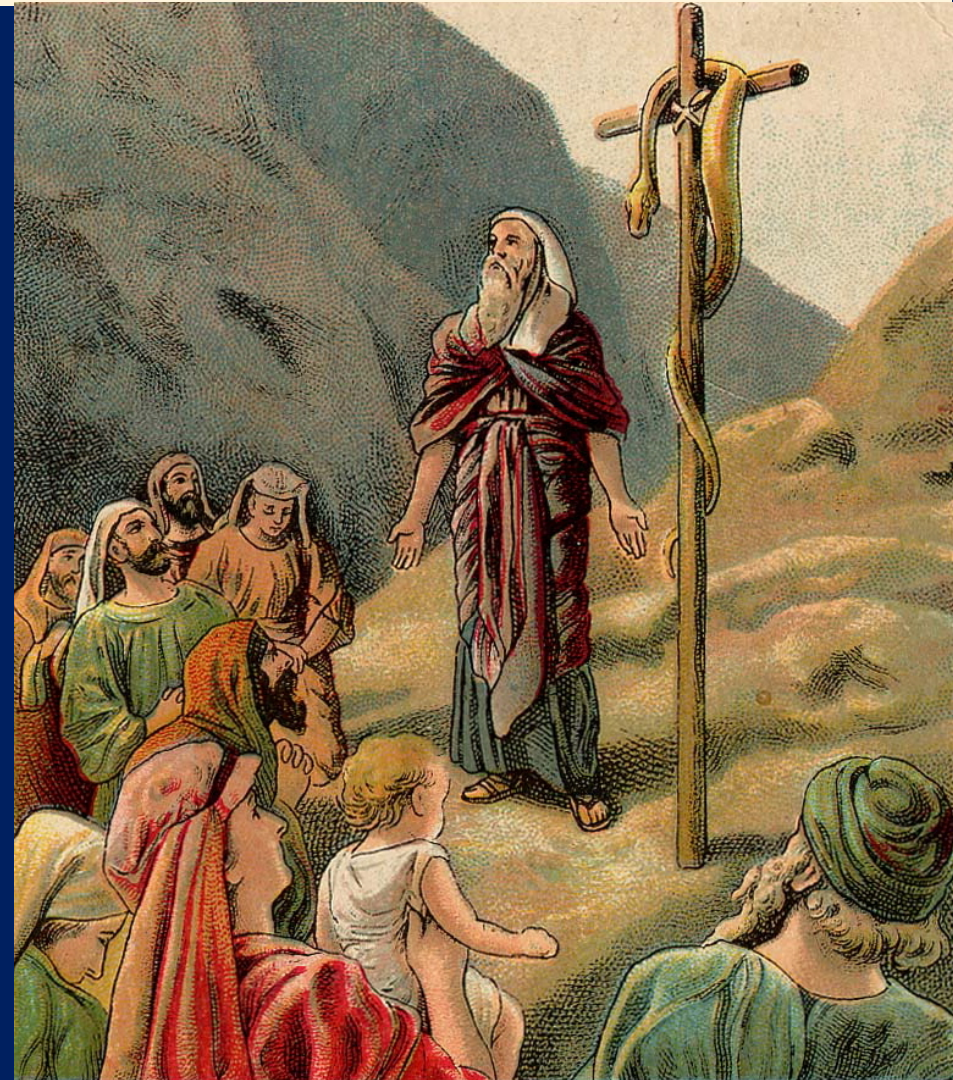
The purity in his head and eyes — Eternal Wisdom

Daniel 7:9 - "the **Ancient of Days** was seated; His garment was white as snow, And the **hair of His head was like pure wool**. His throne was a fiery flame, Its wheels a burning fire;

Revelation 1:15 - His feet were like fine brass, as if refined in a furnace, and His voice as the sound of many waters;

FEET LIKE BRASS

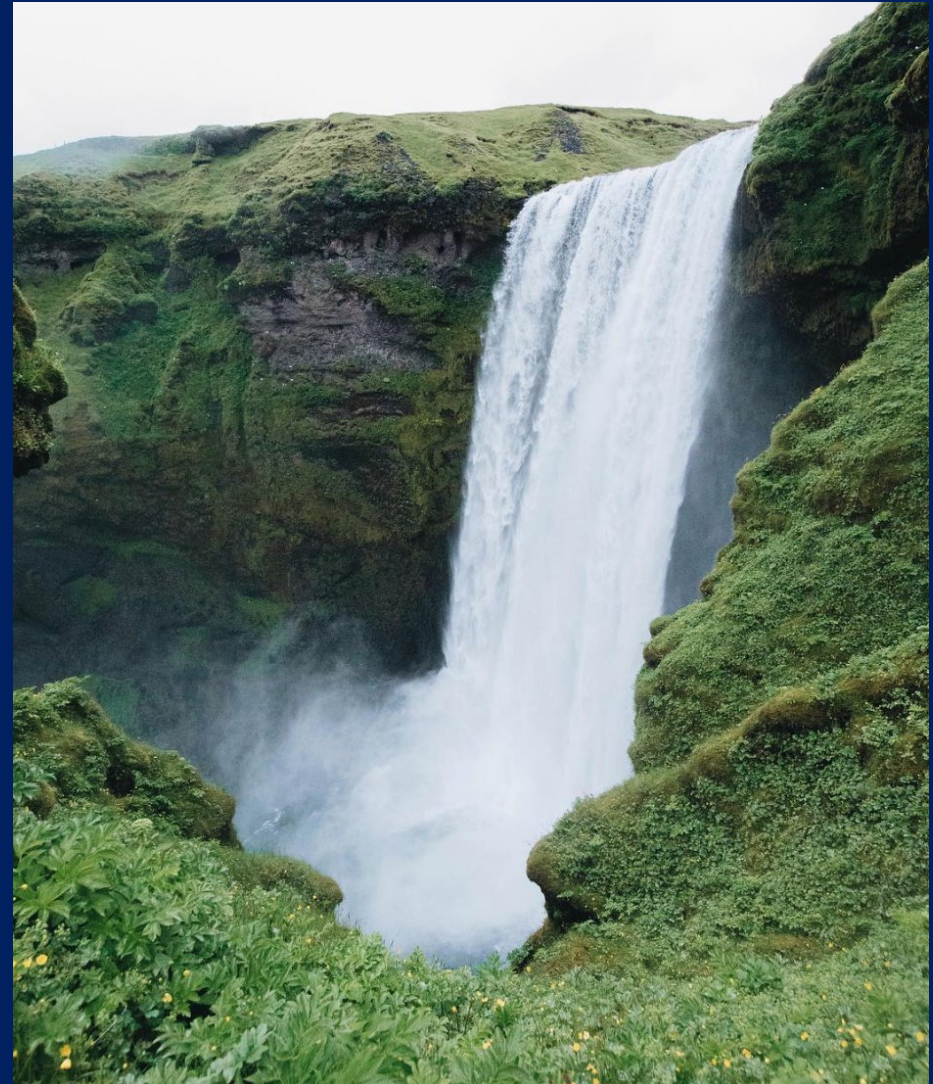
Brass communicates judgment in the Bible.



Revelation 1:15 - His feet were like fine brass, as if refined in a furnace, and His voice as the sound of many waters;

**VOICE LIKE
MANY WATERS**

Power of His voice



Revelation 1:16 - He had in His right hand seven stars, out of His mouth went a sharp two-edged sword, and His countenance was like the sun shining in its strength.

SEVEN STARS IN HIS HAND

They under His authority.
The right hand is a sign of strength
and control.



Revelation 1:16 - He had in His right hand seven stars, out of His mouth went a sharp two-edged sword, and His countenance was like the sun shining in its strength.

SHARP TWO-EDGED SWORD



Hebrews 4:12 - For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Revelation 1:16 - He had in His right hand seven stars, out of His mouth went a sharp two-edged sword, and His countenance was like the sun shining in its strength.

SHINING SUN

Transfiguration - “his face did shine as the sun”

Saul of Tarsus - “a light brighter than the sun”

John - “was like the sun shining in its strength”



Revelation 1:17 - And when I saw Him, I fell at His feet as dead. But He laid His right hand on me, saying to me, "Do not be afraid; I am the First and the Last.

FELL AT HIS FEET

This is a different Jesus than when John was leaning on the breast of the Lord Jesus



Revelation 1:18 - "I am He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore. Amen. And I have the keys of Hades and of Death.

1. HE WHO LIVES
2. HE WHO WAS DEAD
3. I AM ALIVE FOREVERMORE

3

Revelation 1:19 - "Write the things which you have seen, and the things which are, and the things which will take place after this."

THREE PART OUTLINE

3

1. Write the things
which you have seen,

Revelation 1

2. and the things
which are,

Revelation 2-3

3. and the things which
will take place after this

Revelation 4-22

Revelation 1:20 - "The mystery of the seven stars which you saw in My right hand, and the seven golden lampstands: The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands which you saw are the seven churches.

A NIGHT SCENE



7 lampstands = 7 churches

7 stars = 7 angels of 7 churches



LESSONS FOR BLESSING

1. Read it: **Behold Him**

2. Hear it: **Listen to Him**

3. Keep it: **Honor Him**