Revelation – Our Translation

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Chapter 1

The Introduction

Authors

1 A disclosure of Jesus Christ,
which [~~the~~][[1]](#footnote-1) God gave [~~to~~] Him,
to be showed to His servants,
which is bound to be brought forth with speed.

Deliverers

He symbolized [it][[2]](#footnote-2), sending [it] through His messenger, to His servant, John, 2 who witnessed the Word of [~~the~~] God, the Testimony of Jesus Christ; whatever he saw.

Audience

3 Blessed, [is] the one knowing exactly; [are] the ones hearing the words of the prophecy; and [are] the ones guarding [that] having been written in her: for, the time is near.

Addressees

4 John, to the seven assemblies, [~~the~~] in [~~the~~] Asia,
grace to you.

Greeting from the Father and the Son

Peace from the One Being; the [~~He~~] Is[[3]](#footnote-3) Now; the One Coming; from the Seven Spirits, Which, [are] before His Throne; 5 from Jesus Christ, the Faithful Witness, the Firstborn of the dead, the Ruler of the kings of the land, the One Loving us, the One [Who] was freeing us from our sins by His blood, 6 He made us a kingdom, priests to [~~the~~] God [~~and~~] His Father: to Him [be] the glory, and the might for the ages of the ages. Amen.

Promise of Return

7 Look! He comes with the clouds. Every eye will see Him; [even] those who pierced Him. All the tribes of the land will wail over Him. Yes! Amen!

8 I Am the Alpha and the Omega, says [the] Lord, [~~the~~] God; the One Being; the Is Now; the One Coming; the Almighty.

John’s Notation

9 I, John, your brother, and colleague in the tribulation, in [the] kingdom, and in [the] perseverance in Jesus. I was brought forth in the island being called Patmos, through the Word of [~~the~~] God, the Witness of Jesus. 10 I was brought forth in [the] Spirit, on the Lordian Day. I heard a great voice behind me, as of a trumpet, 11 saying, “What you look at, write in a book. Send [it] to the seven assemblies: to Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamos, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia, and Laodicea.

Christ’s Appearance

12 I turned around to look at the voice which now talks with me. [While] turning around, I saw seven golden lampstands. 13 Amidst the lampstands a likeness [of] a son of mankind having clothed [Himself] to [the] foot; having been girded about to the chest [with] a golden belt. 14 Now, His head [is] also [flourishing with] white hair as white wool, as snow. His eyes [are] as a flame of fire. 15 His feet [are] like fine bronze, as having been fired in a furnace. His voice [is] as a voice of many waters. 16 … having seven stars in His right hand. From His mouth a sharp two-edged sword [is] pouring forth. His face [is] as the sun; it shines with His power.

John’s Reaction

17 When I saw Him, I fell at His feet as dead.

Jesus’ Reply

He put His right [hand] upon me, saying, “Do not fear, I Am the First and the Last; 18 the Living One. I was brought forth [from the] dead. Look! I am the Living One for the ages of the ages. I have the keys to [~~the~~] Thanatos and [~~the~~] Hades.” So, write what you saw; [things] which are; and which are about to be brought forth with these [things]. 20 The mystery of the seven stars, which you saw at My right; [with] the seven golden lampstands: the seven stars are [the] messengers of the seven assemblies. The seven lampstands are [the] seven assemblies.

Chapter 2

The Present

*The Assemblies*

Ephesus

1 Write to the messenger of the assembly in Ephesus. The One Exercising Might [over] the seven stars in His right [hand], the One Walking About amid the seven golden lampstands says this, “2 I have known your works, the labor, your perseverance: since, you are unable to endure corruption. You tested those saying they [were] Apostles: and, are not. You found them [to be] false. 3 You have perseverance; you endured through My name: not having tired. But, I have against you; since, you released your first love: 5 so, remember whence you have fallen. Repent. Do the first works. Yet, if not, I come to you. I will move your lampstand from her place, if you would not repent. 6 But, you have this; since, you hate the works of the Overcomers, which I also hate.”

7 The ones having an ear, let them hear what the Spirit tells the assemblies, “I will give to the one overcoming, to eat from the Tree of Life, which is in the Paradise of God.”

Smyrna

8 Write to the messenger of the assembly in Smyrna. The First and the Last, Who, was brought forth [from] death and lived, says this, 9 “I have known your tribulation, and poverty: but, you are wealthy; the blasphemy of those claiming to be Jews themselves, are not, but, [are] a synagogue of Satan. 10 Fear none [of the things] which you are about to suffer. Look! The Devil is about to throw [some] of you into prison, so that you would be imperiled. You will have a tribulation of ten days. Be brought forth faithful until death. I will give you the wreath of life.”

11 The ones having an ear, let them hear what the Spirit tells the assemblies, “The one overcoming, could never, ever be wronged by the second death.”

Pergamum

12 Write to the messenger of the assembly in Pergamum. The One having a sharp two-edged sword says this, 13 “I have known where you live, where Satan’s throne [is]. You support My Name. You did not deny My faith in the days of Antipas, My faithful witness, who was put to death among you, where Satan dwells. 14 But I have a few [things] against you; since, you have there, those supporting the teaching of Balaam, who now teaches Balak to throw a snare before the children of Israel: to eat idol sacrifices, and to commit adultery. 15 Thus, you also have those supporting the doctrine of Overcomers as well. 16 Therefore, repent! Yet, if [you do] not, I come to you quickly. I will war with them with the sword of My mouth.”

17 The ones having an ear, let them hear what the Spirit tells the assemblies, “I will give to the one overcoming, of the manna, having been hidden. I will give them a white stone; upon the stone a new name, having been written, which no one has known except the one receiving [it].”

Thyatira

18 Write to the messenger of the assembly in Thyatira. The Son of God, the One Having His eyes as flaming fire; His feet like fine bronze, says this, 19 “I have known of you: your works, love, faith, service, and perseverance. Your last works [are] greater than the first. 20 But, I have [this] against you: since, you release the woman Jezebel, the one calling herself a prophet. She teaches and deceives My servants to commit adultery and to eat idol sacrifices. 21 I gave her time, so that she would repent. She did not wish to repent of her adultery. 22 Look! I throw her into a bed; and the ones [who] will be committing adultery with her into great tribulation, unless they would be repented of her works. 23 I will kill her children by Thanatos. The assemblies will all know; since, I Am the One Searching minds and hearts. I will give to you each according to your works.”

24 Yet, I tell the rest of you in Thyatira, as many as do not have this teaching, whoever did not know the depths of Satan. As they are saying, I do not throw upon you another burden. 25 Otherwise, whatever you have, control until whenever I would arrive.

26 The ones overcoming; the ones guarding My works until [the] end: I will give them authority over the Gentiles. 27 They will shepherd them, with a rod of iron; they are broken as the potter’s vessel. 28 As I also have received from My Father. I will give them the dawn star. 29 The ones having an ear, let them hear what the Spirit tells the assemblies.

Chapter 3

Sardis

1 Write to the messenger of the assembly in Sardis. The One Having the Seven Spirits of God, and the Seven Stars says this, “I have known your works; since you have a reputation, that you live. You are dead. 2 Be brought forth awaking. Stabilize the rest, which are now about to die: for, I have not found your works having been completed before My God. 3 So, remember how you have received, and heard. Guard! Repent! So, if you would not be awakened, I will come as a thief. You would never, ever know what hour I will come upon you.”

4 But, you have a few names in Sardis, who did not defile their garments. They will walk with me in white: since, they are worthy.” 5 Thus, the ones overcoming, will be wrapped in white garments. I will never, ever erase their names from the Book of Life. I will confess their names before My Father, and before His messengers. 6 The ones having an ear, let them hear what the Spirit tells the assemblies.

Philadelphia

7 Write to the messenger of the assembly in Philadelphia. The Holy, the True, the One Having the Key of David, the One Opening, and no one will lock, the One Locking, and no one opens, says this, 8 “I have known your works. Look! I have given before you, a door, having been opened, which no one has power to lock [~~it~~]; since, you have little power: you guarded My word; you did not deny My name. 9 Look! I would give [those] from the synagogue of Satan, the ones saying themselves to be Jews: they are not; but, they lie. Look! I will make them, so that they will come: they will prostrate before your feet. They would know; since, I loved you. 10 Since, you guarded the word of My perseverance; I also will guard you from the hour of the impending peril, to come upon the whole habitation to imperil those inhabiting [~~upon~~] the land. 11 I come quickly. Strengthen what you have, so that no one would take your wreath.”

12 The ones overcoming, I will make them a stela in the temple of My God. They would never, ever come outside [ever] again. I will write on them the Name of My God; and the name of the city of My God, the New Jerusalem, coming down from the heaven from My God; and My New Name. 14 The ones having an ear, let them hear what the Spirit tells the assemblies.

Laodicea

14 Write to the messenger of the assembly in Laodicea. The Amen, the Witness, the Faithful, the True, the Architect of [~~the~~] God’s Creation says this, 15 “I have known your works; since, you are neither sweet, nor spicy. If only you are now sweet or spicy. 16 Thus: since, you are bland; neither spicy nor sweet, I am about to spit you from my mouth. 17 Since, you say, ‘Since, I am wealthy; I have been filled; I have need of nothing.’ You have known not: since, you are wretched, without mercy, poverty stricken, senseless, and naked. 18 I challenge you to buy from me gold, having been purified by fire, that you would be wealthy; white garments, that you would wrap around [yourself], [that] the shame of your nakedness would not be brought to light; and eye wash to anoint your eyes, that you could see. 19 As many, if I love, I rebuke, and discipline. Therefore, be determined and repent.”

20 Look! I have stood at the door, and I knock. If anyone would hear My voice and would open the door; I will come in to them. I will dine with them and they with Me.” 21 The ones overcoming, I will give to them to sit with Me in My throne: as I also overcame, I sat with My Father in His throne. 22 The ones having an ear, let them hear what the Spirit tells the assemblies.

Chapter 4

*Our Father in His Throne Room*

The Holy of Holies

1 With these [things] I saw. Look! A door having been opened in the heaven. The first voice which I heard, as a trumpet talking with me, saying, “Come up here.” I will show you what is bound to be brought forth, with these [things]. 2 Immediately, I was brought forth in spirit. Look! A throne is now set up in [~~the~~] heaven. Upon the throne, [is] One Sitting. 3 The One Sitting [is] like a jasper or sardius stone in appearance. An iris around the throne [is] like emerald in appearance. 4 Around the throne [are] twenty-four thrones. Upon the thrones, twenty-four presbyters are sitting, having been wrapped in white garments. Upon their heads [are] golden wreaths. 5 From the throne, pour forth light beams, voices, and thunders. Seven lamps of fire are being burned before the throne, which are the Seven Spirits of God. 6 Before the throne, [is] as a sea of glass, like crystal. Amidst the throne, around the throne, [are] four Zoa, being full of eyes before and behind. 7 The first Zoan [is] like a lion. The second Zoan [is] like a calf. The third Zoan [is] having [~~the~~ a] face as a human. The fourth Zoan [is] like a soaring eagle. 8 The four Zoa, one by one, themselves each having six wings around them; are full of eyes within; have no rest day or night, singing, “Holy. Holy. Holy. Lord [~~the~~] God [~~the~~] Almighty; the Is Now; the One Being; the One Coming.” 9 Whenever the Zoa will give glory, honor, and thanks to the One Sitting upon the throne, to the One Living into the ages of the ages, 10 the twenty-four presbyters will fall [down] before the One Sitting upon the throne; they will prostrate before the One Living into the ages of the ages; they will throw their wreaths before the throne, singing, 11 “Worthy are You, [O] Lord, our God, to receive glory, honor, and power; since You created all [things]. Through Your will, they now are; and were created.”

Chapter 5

*The Son’s Installation*

The Seven Sealed Book

1 I saw at the right of the One Sitting upon the throne, a book having been written within and without, having been sealed [with] seven seals.

The One Worthy

2 I saw a mighty angel proclaiming in a great voice, “Who [is] worthy to open the book and to loosen its seals?” 3 None now have power in the heaven, nor upon the land, nor under the land, to open the book nor [even] to look at it. 4 I now weep profusely; since, no one worthy was found to open the book, nor to look at it. 5 One of the presbyters tells me, “Do not weep! Look! The lion of the tribe of Judah, the root of David overcame to open the book and its seven seals.”

The Lamb Receives the Sealed Book

6 I saw amidst of the throne, the four Zoa, and amidst the presbyters, a Lamb having stood as having been slain, having seven horns, and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God, having been sent into all the land. 7 He came; He has received from the right of the One Sitting upon the throne. 8 When He received the book, the four Zoa, and the twenty-four presbyters fell down before the Lamb, each having zithers and golden bowls, filling with incenses, which are the prayers of the saints. 9 They sing a new song, singing, “Worthy are You to receive the book and to open its seals; since, You, were slain. You, ransomed [us] to God by your blood from every tribe, language, people, and Gentile. 10 You made them a kingdom, priests to our God. They reign upon the land.”

The Hymn of the Spirits

11 I saw. I heard a voice of many messengers around the throne: the Zoa, the presbyters… their number is now myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, 12 singing in a great voice, “Worthy is the Lamb, having been slain, to receive the power, wealth, wisdom, strength, honor, glory, and blessing.”

The Hymn from Earth

13 I heard every creature, which [is] in the heaven, upon the land, under the land, upon the sea, and all the [things] in them, singing to the One Sitting upon the throne, and to the Lamb, “The blessing, the honor, the glory, the might into the ages of the ages.”

The Conclusion

14 The four Zoa now sing, “Amen.” The presbyters fell down. They prostrated.

Chapter 6

*Human Life under Christ’s Authority*

The White Horse

1 I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seven seals. I heard one of the four Zoa saying as a voice of thunder, “Come!” 2 I saw. Look! A white horse! The one sitting upon it having a bow. A wreath was given to Him. He went out overcoming: so that He would overcome.

The Fire Horse

3 When He opened the second seal, I heard the second Zoan saying, “Come!” 4 Another went out, a fire horse! To the one sitting upon it was given to it to take [~~the~~] peace from the land; that they will slay one another. A great saber was given to him.

The Black Horse

5 When He opened the third seal, I heard the third Zoan saying, “Come!” I saw! Look! A black horse! The one sitting upon it having a scale in his hand. 6 I heard as a voice amid the four Zoa saying, “a day’s-worth of wheat for a denarius; three day’s-worth of barley for a denarius. You should not harm the olive oil or the wine.”

The Pale Horse

7 When He opened the fourth seal I heard a voice of the fourth Zoan saying, “Come!” 8 I saw! Look! A pale horse! The one sitting upon it, Thanatos [is] its name. Hades now follows with it. Authority was given to it over the fourth of the land to take life by sword, famine, death, and by the [wild] beasts of the land.

*Security of the Christian Dead*

The Martyrs

9 When He opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those having been slain for the Word of God; for the testimony, which they now have. 10 They called out in a great voice, saying, “Until when, Holy and True Master? Will You not judge? Will You [not] avenge our blood on those inhabiting [~~upon~~] the land? 11 A white robe was given to each of them. It was told to them that they will rest yet a short time, until their fellow servants; their brothers and sisters; the ones about to have [their] lives taken away would be completed, as also they.

*Christ’s Judgment*

Vengeance for the Martyrs

12 I saw when He opened the sixth seal; a great shaking was brought forth. The sun was brought forth black as sackcloth of hair. The whole moon was brought forth as blood. 13 The stars of the heaven fell down into the land as a fig tree throws her unripe fruit [when] being shaken by a great wind. 14 The heaven was swept away as a book being rolled up. Every mountain and island were removed from their places. 15 The kings of the land, the influential people, the military commanders, the wealthy, the mighty, all slaves, and free hid themselves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains; 16 these saying to the mountains, and to the rocks, “Fall upon us. Hide us from [the] face of the One Sitting upon the throne; from the wrath of the Lamb: 17 since, the day of Their great wrath came. Who has power to be stood [up before the judge]?

Chapter 7

*Christ’s Evangelists*

The Living

1 With this I saw four messengers having stood at the four corners of the land, controlling the four winds of the land, so that wind would not blow upon the land, neither upon the sea, nor upon any tree. 2 I saw another messenger ascending from [the] sun-rise having a seal of [the] Living God. He cried out with a great voice to the four messengers to whom it was given to them to destroy the land and the sea, 3 saying, “You should not destroy the land, nor the sea, nor the trees until we could seal the servants of our God upon their foreheads.” 4 I heard the number of those having been sealed: one hundred forty-four thousand having been sealed from all [the] tribe[s] of [the] children of Israel:

5 of [the] tribe of Judah, twelve thousand, having been sealed,

of [the] tribe of Reuben, twelve thousand,

of [the] tribe of Gad, twelve thousand,

6of [the] tribe of Asher, twelve thousand,

of [the] tribe of Naphtali, twelve thousand,

of [the] tribe of Manasseh, twelve thousand,

7 of [the] tribe of Simeon, twelve thousand,

of [the] tribe of Levi, twelve thousand,

of [the] tribe of Issachar, twelve thousand,

8 of [the] tribe of Zebulun, twelve thousand,

of [the] tribe of Joseph, twelve thousand,

of [the] tribe of Benjamin, twelve thousand, having been sealed.

*Christ’s Martyrs*

The Hymn of the Martyrs

9 With these I saw. Look! A large crowd, which no one person now has power to count, of every Gentile: tribes, peoples, and languages; having stood before the throne, before the Lamb; having been wrapped [in] white robes; palm branches in their hands. 10 They cry out in a great voice, saying, “Salvation to our God, the One Sitting upon the throne, and to the Lamb. 11 All the messengers, the presbyters, and the four Zoa [who] had stood around the throne; fell down before the throne upon their faces; and prostrated before [~~the~~] God, 12 singing, “Amen! Blessing, glory, wisdom, thanksgiving, honor, power, and might [be] to our God into the ages of the ages. Amen.”

The Identification of These Martyrs

13 One of the presbyters replied, saying to me, “Who are these having been wrapped in the white robes? From where did they come?” 14 I have blurted out to him, “My Lord, you have known.” He said to me, “These are the ones coming from the Great Tribulation. They washed their robes. They bleached them in the blood of the Lamb: 15 through this, they are before the throne of God. They sacrifice to Him day and night in His temple. The One Sitting upon the throne will camp among them.

* 16 They will not hunger [ever] again,
* neither thirst [ever] again,

nor would the sun ever fall upon them, nor any blazing heat: 17 since, the Lamb, up amid the throne will shepherd them. He will lead them to springs of alive waters. God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.

Chapter 8

*Silence pending Trumpets and Incense*

Silence

1 When He opened the seventh seal, silence was brought forth in the heaven about half an hour. 2 I saw the seven messengers who have stood before God. They were given seven trumpets. 3 Another messenger came and was stationed at the altar, having a golden censer. Many incenses were given to him that he will give [with] the prayers of all the saints upon the golden altar before the throne. 4 The smoke of the incenses ascended [with] the prayers of the saints from the messenger’s hand before God. 5 The messenger has received the censer. He filled it from the fire of the altar. He threw [it] into the land. Thunders, voices, streams of light, and shaking came forth.

Trumpets

6 The seven messengers, the ones having the seven trumpets, prepared themselves so that they could trumpet.

*Antichrists – The Tares*

The Land

7 The first trumpeted. It brought forth hail, and fire, having been mingled with blood. It was thrown into the land. The third of the land was consumed by fire. The third of the trees was consumed by fire. All green grass was consumed by fire.

The Sea

8 The second messenger trumpeted. [Something] as a great mountain, burning with fire, was thrown into the sea. The third of the sea brought forth blood. 9 The third of the creatures in the sea, the ones having souls died. The third of the boats were wrecked.

The Fresh Waters

10 The third messenger trumpeted. A great star fell from the heaven, burning as a lamp. It fell upon the third of the rivers, and upon the springs of the waters. 11 The name of the star is called Absinthe. The third of the waters brought forth [~~into~~] Absinthe. Many of the people died from the waters; since, they were soured.

The Heavenly Bodies

12 The fourth messenger trumpeted. The third of the sun, the third of the moon, and the third of the stars was hit; so, that the third of them would be darkened. The third of day would not be shined; the night likewise.

The Great Eagle

13 I saw and I heard one eagle, soaring in midheaven, saying in a great voice, “Woe! Woe! Woe to the ones dwelling upon the land, from the remaining voices of the trumpets of the three messengers waiting to trumpet.

Chapter 9

The Locusts

1 The fifth messenger trumpeted. I saw a star from the heaven having fallen into the land. The key of the shaft of the Abyss was given to him. 2 He opened the shaft of the Abyss. Smoke ascended from the shaft as smoke from a great furnace. The sun and air was wrapped in darkness from the smoke of the shaft. 3 From the smoke Locusts came out into the land. Authority was given to them, as the scorpions in the land have authority. 4 It was told them that they will not tear up the grass of the land, nor any greenery, nor any tree; except the people who do not have the seal of God upon the foreheads. 5 It was given to them that they could not kill them; but, they will be tortured five months. Their torture [is] as a scorpion’s torture whenever it would sting a person. 6 In those days, people will seek Thanatos. They will never, ever find it. They will long to die. Thanatos flees from them.

The Likeness and Leader of the Locusts

7 The likeness of the locusts [is] like horses having been prepared for war. Upon their heads [are] as crowns like gold. Their faces [are] as human faces. 8 They now have hair as women’s hair. Their teeth now are as lion’s. 9 They now have breastplates as iron breastplates. The voice of their wings [is] as a voice of many chariots of horses running into war. 10 They have tails like scorpions, with stings also in their tails. Their authority to hurt [~~the~~] people [is] five months. 11 They have a king over them, the messenger of the Abyss. His name in Hebrew [is] Abaddon. In [~~the~~] Greek, he has [the] name Apollyon.

The First Woe

12 The one woe passed away. Look! Yet two [more] woe[s] come[~~s~~] with these [things].

*Imperialists*

The Legions

13 The sixth messenger trumpeted. I heard one voice from the horns of the golden altar before [~~the~~] God, 14 saying to the sixth messenger, the one having the trumpet, release the four messengers, having been confined at the great river Euphrates. 15 The four messengers, having been prepared for the hour, day, month, and year, were released, so that they could kill a third of the people. 16 The number of the soldiers, [and] of the cavalry: two myriads, [and] one myriad, I heard their number. 17 Thus, I saw the horses in the vision. The ones sitting upon them, having breastplates: fiery, blue, and sulfur. The heads of the horses [are] as heads of lions. From their mouths poured forth fire, smoke, and sulfur. 18 From these three plagues the third of the people were killed, from the fire, smoke, and sulfur pouring forth from their mouths: 19 for, the authority of the horses is in their mouths and in their tails: for, their tails [are] like snakes having heads. With these they harm.

The Unrepentant

20 The rest of the people, who were not killed in these plagues, neither repented of the works of their hands, so that they will not prostrate to the demons: the gold, silver, brass, stone and wood idols, which neither [have] power to look, nor to hear, nor to walk around. 21 They repented not of their murders, their sorceries, their adultery, nor their thefts.

Chapter 10

*Overcoming – Christ’s Victory*

Jesus

1 I saw another mighty messenger descending from the heaven having been wrapped [in] a cloud. An [~~the~~] iris [is] upon His head. His face [is] as the sun. His feet [are] as pillars of fire: 2 having in His hand a booklet having been opened. He put his right foot upon the sea; but, the left upon the land. 3 He cried out with a great voice as when a lion roars. When He cried out, the seven thunders spoke [in] their own voices. 4 When the seven thunders spoke, I was about to write. I heard a voice from the heaven saying, “Seal what the seven thunders spoke. You should not write them.”

Jesus’ Authority

5 The messenger which I saw having stood upon the sea and upon the land, raised his right hand to the heaven. 6 He vowed to the One Living into the ages of the ages, Who, created the heaven and the [things] in him; the land and the [things] in her; the sea and the [things] in her; since, time will be no more. 7 But, in the days of the voice of the seventh messenger, whenever he is about to trumpet. The mystery of God is finished, as He proclaimed to His own servants the prophets.

John’s Obedience

8 The voice which I heard from the heaven, is talking with me again, saying, “Go! Take the book having been opened in the hand of the messenger having stood upon the sea and upon the land.” 9 I came to the messenger telling Him to give me the booklet. He tells me, “Take and devour it. It will sour your belly; but, in your mouth it will be sweet as honey.” 10 I took the booklet from the hand of the messenger. I devoured it. It is now in my mouth as honey sweet. When I ate it, my belly was soured. 11 They tell me, “It is bound for you to prophesy again about many peoples, Gentiles, languages, and kings.”

Chapter 11

*Judgement*

The Temple

1 A staff like reed was given to me, saying, “Get up. Measure the Temple of God; the altar; and the ones prostrating in her. 2 Throw out [the] external court, external to the temple. You could not measure it; since, it was given to the Gentiles. They will tread the holy city forty-two months.

The Witnesses

3 I will give My two witnesses. They will prophesy a thousand two hundred sixty days, having been wrapped in sackcloths. 4 These are the two olive trees; the two lampstands; the ones having stood before the Lord of the land. 5 If any [one] wishes to harm them, fire pours forth from their mouths. It devours their adversaries. If any [one] would wish to harm them, thus they are bound to be killed. 6 These have the authority to lock the heaven, so that moisture could not fall [in] the days of their prophecies. They have authority over the waters, to turn them into blood; to strike the land with every plague, as often as, [~~if~~] they would wish.

Their Killer – From the Abyss

7 Whenever they would finish their testimony, Therion 0, coming up from the Abyss, will wage war with them; will overcome them; and will kill them. 8 Their fallen [bodies] [will lie], on the plateau of the great city, which is called spiritually, Sodom and Egypt, where also their Lord was crucified. 9 Those from the peoples, tribes, tongues, and Gentiles see their fallen [bodies] three and a half days. They do not allow their fallen [bodies] to be put in a grave. 10 Those inhabiting [~~upon~~] the land, rejoice over them. They are gladdened. They will send gifts to each other; since, these two prophets afflicted those inhabiting [~~upon~~] the land.

Their Resurrection

11 With the three and a half days, a spirit of life from God entered into them. They stood upon their feet. Great fear fell upon the ones watching them. 12 They heard a great voice from the heaven saying to them, “Come up here.” They ascended into the heaven in the cloud. Their enemies pondered over them. 13 In that hour, a great shaking was brought forth. The tenth of the city fell. Seven thousand notable people were killed in the shaking. The rest came forth terrified. They gave glory to the God of heaven.

The Second Woe

14 The second woe passed away. Look! The third woe comes quickly!

*Rejoicing*

The Cosmos

15 The seventh messenger trumpeted. Great voices were brought forth in the heaven, singing, “The kingdom of the cosmos, of our Lord, and of His Christ, was brought forth. He will reign into the ages of the ages.

16 The twenty-four presbyters, [~~the ones~~] sitting upon their thrones before [~~the~~] God, fell down upon their faces. They prostrated before [~~the~~] God, 17 singing, “We thank You, Lord, [~~the~~] God, [~~the~~] Almighty; the One Being; the Is Now: since, You have received Your great power. You reigned. 18 The Gentiles were enraged. [But], Your wrath came: the time of the dead to be judged; to give wages to Your servants: the prophets; the saints; the ones fearing Your name; [both] the small and the great; and to destroy the ones destroying the land.

The Holy of Holies

19 The Temple of [~~the~~] God, in heaven was opened. The Ark of His Covenant was seen in His Temple. Beams of light, sounds, thunders, shaking, and great hail were brought forth.

Chapter 12

*Overcoming – Escape*

A Woman

1 A great sign was seen in the heaven, a woman having been wrapped with the sun; the moon beneath her feet; upon her head, a wreath of twelve stars; 2 having in [her] belly; she cries out, straining; travailing to give birth.

A Dragon

3 Also [~~was~~] seen, another sign in the heaven. Look! A great fiery Dragon, having seven heads and ten horns; upon its heads, seven diadems. 4 Its tail drags away the third of the stars of the heaven. It threw them into the land. The Dragon now stands before the woman waiting to give birth in order that whenever she would give birth to her child, it could devour [him].

A Child

5 She gave birth to a son, a male, who is about to shepherd all the Gentiles with an iron rod. Her child was raptured [away] toward God, and toward His throne. 6 The woman fled into the desert; where she has there, a place having been prepared by God; so that there they could feed her [for] one thousand two hundred sixty days.

A Defeat

7 This brought forth war in the heaven. Michael and his messengers to [have] waged war with the Dragon. The Dragon and its messengers waged war. 8 It was not mighty [enough]; neither was a place found for it ever again in the heaven. 9The great Dragon was thrown [down], the ancient serpent, the one being called Devil and Satan, the one deceiving the whole civilization was thrown down into the land. Its messengers were thrown [down] with it.

Salvation

10 I heard a great voice in the heaven, saying, “Now [is] brought forth, the salvation, the power, the kingdom of our God, and the authority of His Christ: since, the accuser of our brothers and sisters, the one accusing them before our God, day and night, was thrown [down].

Overcoming

11 They overcame it through the blood of the Lamb; through the word of their testimony. They did not love their souls until thanatos.

Joy

12 Through this, be glad, O heavens, and those dwelling in them! Woe to the land and the sea: since, the Devil came down toward you having great rage, having known, since, it has little time.

Vengeance

13 When the Dragon saw, since it was thrown [down] into the land, it pursued the woman who gave birth to the male.

The Great Eagle

14 The two wings of the Great Eagle were given to the woman, so that she could soar into her place into the desert, where she is fed there, a time, times, and a half time, [away] from the serpent’s face.

A River

15 The serpent threw water as a river from its mouth, after the woman, so that it could make her flooded away [by the] river.

The Land

16 The land helped the woman. The land opened her mouth. She drank down the river that the Dragon threw [down] from its mouth.

The Rage

17 The Dragon was enraged with the woman. It came away to wage war with the rest of her seed, the ones guarding the commandments of God, the ones having the witness of Jesus. 18 It was stationed upon the sand of the sea.

Chapter 13

*Imperialists*

Therion Ⅰ

1 I saw Therion Ⅰ coming up from the sea, having ten horns, seven heads, ten diadems upon its horns, and upon its heads a name of blasphemy. 2 The Therion (Ⅰ) I saw is now like a leopard, its feet as a bear, its mouth as a lion’s mouth. The Dragon gave it, its power, its throne, and great authority. 3 One of its heads [is] as having been executed by Thanatos. Its Thanatos plague was healed. The whole land was astonished by the Therion (Ⅰ). 4 They prostrated before the Dragon: since, it gave the authority to the Therion (Ⅰ). They prostrated before the Therion (Ⅰ) saying, “What is like the Therion (Ⅰ)? What has power to wage war with it?”

Therion Ⅰ’s Authority

5 A mouth was given to it speaking great [~~and~~] blasphemies. Authority was given to it to act [for] forty-two months. 6 It opened its mouth in blasphemies against [~~the~~] God, to blaspheme His name and His Tent: [namely], those Camping in the heaven. 7 It was given to it to wage war with the Saints, to overcome them. Authority was given to it over every tribe, people, language, and Gentile. 8 All those inhabiting [~~upon~~] the land, whose name has not been written in the book of life of the Lamb having been slain from [the] world’s foundation, will prostrate themselves.

Perseverance of the Saints

9 If anyone has an ear, let them hear. 10 If anyone [is headed] into captivity, they go into captivity. If anyone [is destined] to be killed with a saber they [go] to be killed with a saber. This is the perseverance, and the faith of the saints.

*Antichrists - The Tares*

Therion Ⅱ

11 I saw another Therion (Ⅱ) coming up from the land. It now has two horns like a lamb. [But] It now talks as a Dragon. 12 It takes all the authority of Therion the first (Ⅰ) to itself. It makes the land and those dwelling it, that they will prostrate before Therion the first (Ⅰ), whose plague of Thanatos was healed. 13 It makes great signs, so that also it could make fire from the heaven come down into the land before the people. 14 It deludes those dwelling upon the land through the signs that it was given it to make before Therion (Ⅰ), telling those dwelling upon the land to make an ikon to Therion (Ⅰ) that has the blow of the saber and lived. 15 It was given it to give breath to the ikon of Therion (Ⅰ), so that the ikon of Therion (Ⅰ) could both talk and could perform, so that as many, if they would not prostrate before the ikon of Therion (Ⅰ) would be killed. 16 It makes all, the small and the great, the rich and the poor, the free and the slave, so that they would give them a brand upon their right hand or upon their forehead. 17 So, that no one would have power to buy or to sell except the one having the brand, the name of Therion (Ⅰ), or the number of its name.

The Brand

18 Here is wisdom: Let the one having ability calculate the number of Therion (Ⅰ): for, it is a human number. Its number is six hundred sixty-six.

Chapter 14

*Christ’s Evangelists*

The New Song

1 I saw. Look! The Lamb, having stood upon mount Zion; with Him one hundred forty-four thousand, having His name and the name of His Father having been written upon their foreheads. 2 I heard a voice from the heaven, as a voice of many waters, as a voice of great thunder. The voice which I heard [was] as zitharodes zithering on their zithers. 3 They sing as a new song before the throne; before the four Zoa; [before] the presbyters. No one now has power to learn the song except the one hundred forty-four thousand, having been purchased from the land.

The Virgins

4 These are those not defiled with wives: for, they are virgins. These are those following the Lamb, wherever He would go. These were purchased from mankind, first-fruits to God, and to the Lamb. 5 A lie was not found in their mouth. They are blameless.

The Gospel

6 I saw another messenger soaring in mid-heaven, having an eternal good news to proclaim to the ones sitting upon the land, to every Gentile, tribe, language, and people, 7 telling in a great voice, “Let [~~the~~] God be feared. Give Him glory: since, the hour of His judgment came. Prostrate before the Maker of the heaven, the land, sea, and springs of water.”

*Antichrists – Tares*

Babylon

8 Another, a second messenger followed, telling, “She fell! She fell! Babylon the Great, who from the wine of the wrath of her adultery has given drink to all the Gentiles.”

*Imperialists*

Allegiance to Therion Ⅰ

9 Another messenger, a third followed them telling in a great voice, “If anyone prostrates before Therion (Ⅰ), its ikon, or receives a brand upon their forehead, or upon their hand. 10 They themselves will drink from the wine of the wrath of God, having been mixed undiluted in the cup of His wrath. They will be tested in fire and sulfur before the holy messengers and before the Lamb. 11 The smoke of their test goes up into ages of ages. The ones not having rest day and night, the ones prostrating before Therion (Ⅰ), and its ikon: if any receives the brand of its name.

*Overcoming – Christ’s Victory*

Perseverance of the Saints

12 Here is the perseverance of the saints: the ones guarding the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus.

13 I heard a voice from the heaven, saying, “Write, ‘Blessed [are] the dead, the ones dying in the Lord from now [on].’” “Yes,” the Spirit tells, “that they will be rested from their weariness: for, their works follow with them.”

*Christ’s Judgment – The First Harvest*

The Wheat

14 I saw. Look! A white cloud! Sitting upon the cloud [was one] like a human son having a golden wreath upon his head. In his hand [was] a sharp sickle. 15 Another messenger went out from the temple, crying out in a great voice to the one sitting upon the cloud, “Send your sharp sickle. Reap, since, the hour came to reap; since, the reaping of the land was ripened.” 16 The one sitting upon the cloud threw his sickle upon the land. The land was reaped.

The Grapes

17 Another messenger went out from the temple in the heaven, he also having a sharp sickle. 18 Another messenger from the altar, having authority over the fire. He voiced a great voice to the one having the sharp sickle, saying, “Send your sharp sickle. Gather the grape clusters from the grapevine of the land; since, her clusters were prime.” 19 The messenger threw his sickle into the land. He gathered the grapevine of the land. He threw [it] into the winepress of the great wrath of God. 20 The winepress was trod outside of the city. Blood went out from the winepress up to the horse’s bridles for a thousand six hundred stadia.

Chapter 15

The Future

*Christ’s New Temple*

The Messengers

1 I saw another great and amazing sign in the heaven, seven messengers having the last seven plagues; since, in them the wrath of God is finished.

The Glassy Sea and the Singers

2 I saw as a sea of glass having been mixed by fire. Those overcoming from Therion (Ⅰ), its ikon, and the number of its name having stood upon the glassy sea having zithers of [~~the~~] God. 3 They sing the song of Moses, the slave of God, and the song of the Lamb, singing, “Great and amazing [are] Your works, Lord, [~~the~~] God, [~~the~~] Almighty; righteous and true Your ways, [~~the~~] King of the ages. 4 Who would never, ever be frightened, Lord, and will glorify Your name; since, only [You are] pure; since, all the Gentiles will arrive and will prostrate before You; since, Your righteousnesses were blazed forth.

The Holy of Holies

5 I saw, with these, the Temple, the Tabernacle of the Witness in the heaven was opened. 6 The seven messengers having the seven plagues came out from the temple, having clothed [themselves] [in] clean bright linen; having been belted around the chest [with] golden belts. 7 One of the four Zoa gave to the seven messengers seven golden bowls, filling with the wrath of [~~the~~] God, living into the ages of the ages.

The Smoke

8 The Temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God; from His power; none now have power to come into the Temple until the seven plagues of the seven messengers could be finished.

Chapter 16

*Christ’s Judgement*

The Bowls

1 I heard a great voice from the Temple saying to the seven messengers, “Go! Empty the seven bowls of the wrath of God into the land.”

The Land

2 The first went out. He emptied his bowl into the land. It brought forth a malignant, evil sore upon the people having the brand of Therion Ⅰ; those prostrating [before] its ikon.

The Sea

3 The second emptied his bowl into the sea. It brought forth blood as of a dead [person]. Every live soul, in the sea died.

The Rivers

4 The third emptied his bowl into the rivers; and the springs of waters. It brought forth blood.

5 I heard the messenger of the waters, saying, “Righteous are You; the One Being; the Is Now; the Pure; since, You judged these [things]; 6 since, they poured out [the] blood of saints and prophets. You have given them blood to drink. [because] They are worthy. 7 I heard the altar, saying, “Yes, Lord [~~the~~] God [~~the~~] Almighty, true and righteous [are] Your judgments.”

The Sun

8 The fourth emptied his bowl upon the sun. It was given it to burn the people with fire. 9 The people were burned [with] great heat. They blasphemed the name of [~~the~~] God having the authority over these plagues. They did not repent to give Him glory.

The Throne of Therion Ⅱ

10 The fifth emptied his bowl upon the throne of Therion (Ⅱ); Its kingdom came forth, having been darkened. They now gnaw their tongues from the pain. 11 They blasphemed the God of Heaven because of their pain from their sores. They did not repent from their works.

Persia and Armageddon

12 The sixth emptied his bowl upon the great river Euphrates. Its water was ripened, so that the road for the kings from [the] sun rise would be prepared. 13 I saw three unclean spirits as frogs [coming] from the mouth of the Dragon; from the mouth of Therion (Ⅰ); and from the mouth of the false prophet: 14 for, they are spirits of demons performing signs which it pours forth upon the kings of the whole civilization, to assemble them for the war of the great day of [~~the~~] God [~~the~~] Almighty. 15 Look! I come as a thief. Blessed [are] the ones being awake, guarding their garments, so that they would not walk around naked. They would see their shame. 16 He gathered them together into the place, being called in Hebrew, Armageddon.

The Air

17 The seventh emptied his bowl upon the air. A great voice went out from the Temple, from the throne saying, “It has come.” 18 They came forth: streams of light, voices, thunders, and great shaking was brought forth, such as was not brought forth, from when people came forth upon the land, thus, so huge [was] this great shaking. 19 The great city was brought forth in three parts. The cities of the Gentiles fell. Babylon the great was remembered before [~~the~~] God, to give her the cup of the wine of the heat of His wrath. 20 Every island fled. The mountains were not found. 21 Great hail, as [heavy as] a talent comes down from the heaven upon the people. The people blasphemed [~~the~~] God because of the plague of the hail; since, great is her plague, exceedingly.

Chapter 17

Antichrists – The Tares

1 One of the seven messengers having the seven bowls came. He talked with me, saying, “Here! I will show you the judgement of the great adulteress, sitting upon many waters, 2 with whom the kings of the land committed adultery. The ones inhabiting the land were drunk from the wine of her adultery. 3 He carried me away into a desert in [the] spirit. I saw a woman sitting upon a crimson Therion (Ⅰ), being full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns. 4 The woman is now, having been wrapped [in] purple, crimson, having been gilded with gold, precious stone, and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand, being full of abominations, [the] unclean [things] of her adultery. 5 Upon her forehead a name having been written, “Mystery, Babylon the Great, the mother of adulterers, and the abominations of the land. 6 I saw the woman being drunk with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the witnesses of Jesus.

John’s Astonishment

I was amazed with great amazement, seeing her. 7 The messenger said to me, “[~~through~~] What amazed you?

The Imperialists

I will tell you the mystery of the woman, of Therion (Ⅰ), having the seven heads, and the ten horns, bearing her. 8 The Therion (Ⅰ), which you saw; is now; is not; is about to come up out of the Abyss; goes away to destruction. The ones dwelling upon the land, whose name has not been written in the book of life from [the] foundation of [the] world will be amazed, [at] seeing Therion (Ⅰ); since, it is now; it is not; it will exist [again]. 9 Here [is] the mind having wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, where the woman sits [~~on them~~]; they are seven kings; 10 [~~the~~] five fell; [~~the~~] one is; the other came not yet. Whenever he would come, it is necessary for him to remain briefly. 11 [~~The~~] Therion (Ⅰ) which is now; is not; is itself an eighth; it is from the seven; and goes away to destruction. 12 The ten horns, which you saw, are ten kings who have not yet taken a kingdom: but, they receive authority as kings, one hour, with [~~the~~] Therion (Ⅰ). These have one idea: they give their power, and authority to Therion (Ⅰ); 14 they will wage war with the Lamb. The Lamb will overcome them; since, He is Lord of lords, and King of kings. Those with Him: [are] called, chosen, and faithful.”

The Adulteress

15 He tells me, “The waters which you saw, where the adulteress sits are crowds of people, Gentiles and tongues. 16 The ten horns which you saw; and the Therion (Ⅰ): these will hate the adulteress; they will make her having been deserted and naked; they will eat her flesh; they will burn her down with fire: 17 for, God put into their hearts to make His objective; to make one objective: to give their kingdom to [~~the~~] Therion (Ⅰ), until the words of God will be finished. 18 The woman which you saw is the great city having a kingdom over the kings of the land.

Chapter 18

*Execution – Antichrists*

Babylon

1 With these [things] I saw another messenger descending from the heaven, having great authority. The land was brightly-lighted from his glory. 2 He cried out in a mighty voice, saying, “She fell. She fell, Babylon the great. She brought forth a dwelling for demons; a prison for every unclean spirit; a prison for every unclean bird; a prison for every unclean therion; and [everything] having been abhorrent; 3 since, all the Gentiles have fallen from the wine of the heat of her adultery. The kings of the land committed adultery with her. The merchants of the land became wealthy from the power of her sensuality.

Christ’s Response

4 I heard another voice from the heaven, saying, “Come out of her, My people, so that you would not fellowship with her sins; so that you would not receive from her plagues; 5 since, her sins piled up unto [~~the~~] heaven. God remembered her unrighteousnesses. 6 Give away to her, [what] she also gave away; pay double the double according to her works; in the cup that she mixed, mix double for her: 7 as much as she glorified herself; she pirouetted in [her] magnificence; give her testing and grief: since, in her heart she says: since, I sit a queen; I am not a widow; I would never, ever see grief. 8 Through this, in one day her plagues will arrive: Thanatos, grief, and famine. She will be consumed in fire; since, mighty [is the] Lord, [~~the~~] God, the One judging her.

Kings’ Response

9 The kings of the land will weep and wail over her, those committing adultery and reveling with her, when they would see the smoke of her flames; 10 having stood far away [~~from~~] through [~~the~~] fear of her test, saying, “Woe! Woe! The great city, Babylon, the mighty city; since, in one hour your judgement came.

Merchants’ Response

11 The merchants of the land weep and wailing over her; since, no one buys her merchandise any longer: 12 merchandise of gold, silver, precious stones, pearls, fine linen, purpura (purple), silk, scarlet, every thyme wood, every ivory object, every object from hardwood, copper, iron, marble, 13 cinnamon, amomum, incense, myrrh, frankincense, wine, olive oil, fine flour, wheat, oxen, sheep, horses, carriages, bodies, and human souls. 14 Your fruit, the desire of the soul came away from you. All the excesses and all the splendor perished from you. They will no longer, never, ever find them. 15 The merchants of these [things], the ones enriching [themselves] by her, will stand far away from [her] through the fear of her test, weeping and wailing, 16 saying, “Woe! Woe! The great city, having been wrapped in fine linen, purple, and scarlet; having been gilded with gold, precious stone, and pearl: 17 since, in one hour, so great a wealth was desolated.”

Sailors’ Response

Every captain, everyone sailing upon a deck, sailors, and as many as work the sea, stood afar off. 18 They called out, seeing the smoke of her flames, saying, “What is like the great city?” 19 They threw dust upon their heads. They called out, weeping and wailing, saying, “Woe! Woe! That great city in which all those having [~~the~~] boats in the sea became wealthy from her prosperity; since, in one hour she was desolated.”

Heaven’s Response

20 Be gladdened over her, O heaven, O saints, O apostles, and O prophets; since, [~~the~~] God judged your judgment on her. 21 One mighty messenger raised a stone as a great millstone. He threw [it] into the sea saying, “Thus with violence Babylon the great city will be thrown [down].

* She could never, ever be found again.
* 22 The voice of zithers, musicians, flutists, and trumpeters could never, ever be heard in you again.
* Every craftsperson of every craft could never ever be found in you again.
* The voice of a mill could never ever be heard in you again.
* 23 The light of a lamp could never, ever shine in you again.
* The voice of the groom and bride could never, ever be heard in you again.”

The Charge

Since, your merchants now are the great people of the land. Since, in your drug sorcery all the Gentiles were deceived.

The Evidence

24 In her was found [the] blood of prophets, saints, and all those having been slain upon the land.

Chapter 19

*Christ’s Congregation*

Praises to Our God

1 With these [things] I heard as a great voice of a large multitude in the heaven, saying, “Alleluia, the salvation, the glory, and the power of our God; 2 since, true and righteous [are] His judgements; since, He judged the great adulteress who now corrupts the land in her adultery. He avenged the blood of His servants from her hand.”

3 A second [time] they have exclaimed, “Alleluia.” Her smoke goes up into the ages of the ages. 4 The twenty-four presbyters and the four Zoa fell down. They prostrated to God, the one sitting upon the throne, saying, “Amen! Alleluia!”

5 A voice came out from the throne, saying, “Praise our God all His servants; the ones fearing Him, [both] [~~the~~] small and [~~the~~] great.”

6 I heard as a voice of a large multitude; as a voice of many waters; as a voice of mighty thunder, saying, “Alleluia; since, [the] Lord, [~~the~~] God, [~~the~~] Almighty reigns. 7 We should rejoice and celebrate. We will give Him the glory; since, the marriage of the Lamb came. His wife made herself ready. 8 It was given to her, that she would be wrapped in bright, clean fine linen: for, the fine linen is the righteousness of the saints.

The Invitation

9 He tells me, “Write, ‘Blessed are those having been called to the marriage banquet of the Lamb.’ ” He tells me, “These are the true words of God.” 10 I fell down at His feet [~~to be~~] prostrated [before] him. He tells me, “See, am I not your fellow servant, of your brothers and sisters having the witness of Jesus? Prostrate to God: for, the witness of Jesus is the spirit of [~~the~~] prophecy.

The King

11 I saw the heaven having been opened. Look! A white horse! The one sitting upon it, the one being called faithful and true. In righteousness, He judges; He wars. 12 Yet, His eyes [are] a flame of fire. Upon His head [are] many diadems, having a name having been written, which no one has known, except Himself.

13 Having been wrapped in a mantle having been baptized in blood; His name has been called, “the Word of God.” 14 The armies in the heaven now follow Him upon white horses; having clothed in clean white fine linen. 15 From His mouth pours forth a sharp sword, that with it, He would strike the Gentiles. He Himself will shepherd them with an iron rod. He Himself treads the winepress of the wine of the heat of the wrath of God [~~the~~] Almighty. 16 He has upon the mantle and upon His thigh a name having been written: “King of kings and Lord of lords.”

The Adversaries

17 I saw one messenger having stood in the sun. He cried out with a great voice, telling all the birds soaring in mid-heaven, “Come now! Go together into the great banquet of God, 18 that you could eat [the] flesh of kings, flesh of chiliarchs, flesh of [the] mighty, flesh of horses, those sitting upon them, and [the] flesh of all, both free and slave, small and great. 19 I saw Therion (Ⅰ), the kings of the land, their armies, those having been brought together to wage [~~the~~] war with the one sitting upon the horse, and with His army. 20 Therion (Ⅰ) was arrested; with it the false prophet, the one making [~~the~~] signs before it, with which it deceived those receiving the brand of Therion (Ⅰ), those prostrating before its ikon. These two were thrown, living, into the lake of [~~the~~] fire, burning with sulfur. 21 The rest were slain by the sword coming from the mouth of the One sitting upon the horse. All the birds were fed from their flesh.

Chapter 20

Satan

1 I saw a messenger coming down from the heaven, having the key of the Abyss; a great chain in his hand. 2 He overthrew the Dragon, the ancient Serpent, who is [the] Devil, and Satan. He bound it [for] thousands [of] years. 3 He threw it into the Abyss. He locked and sealed above it, so that it could not deceive the Gentiles again, until the thousands [of] years would be finished. With these [things] it is necessary to be released for a short time.

Christ’s Saints

4 I saw thrones. They sat upon them. Judgment was given to them: [to] the souls of those having been beheaded for the witness of Jesus and for the Word of God; who did not prostrate [before] Therion (Ⅰ), nor its ikon. They received not the brand upon the forehead or on their hand. They lived! They reigned with Christ [for] thousands [of] years. 5 (The rest of the dead lived not until the thousands [of] years would be finished.) This [is] the first resurrection. 6 Blessed and holy, the one having a part in the first resurrection. Upon these the second thanatos does not have authority. But, they will be priests of God and of Christ. They will reign with Him [for] thousands [of] years.

Satan’s Release

7 When the thousands [of] years would be finished, Satan will be released from its prison. 8 It will come out to deceive the Gentiles in the four corners of the land: [~~the~~] Gog and Magog, to assemble them for war, whose [~~their~~] number [is] as the sand of the sea. 9 They came up on the plateau of the land. They surrounded the encampment of the saints, the [once] having been beloved city. Fire came down from the heaven. It consumed them.

Satan’s Execution

10 The Devil, the one deceiving them, was thrown into the lake of fire and sulfur, where also Therion (Ⅰ) and the false prophet [are]. They will be tested day and night into the ages of the ages.

*The Great White Throne*

11 I saw a great white throne. Sitting upon it, from whose face, the land, and the heaven fled. A place was not found for them.

The Great White Throne Judgement

12 I saw the dead, the great and the small, those having stood before the throne. Books were opened. Another book was opened, which is of the life. The dead were judged from that having been written in the books according to their works. 13 The sea gave [up] the dead in her. Thanatos and Hades gave [up] the dead in them. They were judged, each according to their works.

Execution of Thanatos and Hades

14 Thanatos and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This, is the second thanatos, the lake of fire.

Execution of Unbelievers

15 Whoever was not found having been written in the book of life, was thrown into the lake of fire.

Chapter 21

*The Heavenly Kingdom*

The New Heaven and Land

1 I saw a new heaven and a new land: for, a first heaven and the first land passed away.

* The sea is not [ever] again.

The New Jerusalem

2 I saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down from the heaven from God having been prepared as a bride having been adorned for her husband. 3 I heard a great voice from the heaven, saying, “Look! The Tabernacle of God is with the people. He will Tabernacle with them. They will be His people. God Himself will be with them. 4 He will wipe away every tear from their eyes.

* Thanatos will not be [ever] again;
* neither grief, nor crying, nor pain will not be [ever] again.

The first [things] passed away.

*The Father*

The New Creation

5 The One sitting upon the throne said, “Look! I make everything new.” He tells [me], “Write; since, these words are faithful and true.” 6 He said to me, “I have brought forth. I, [am] the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last. I will give to the one thirsting from the spring of the water of life freely. 7 The one overcoming will inherit these [things]. I will be God to them. They will be My children. 8 Yet, [~~the~~] cowards, unbelievers, and [those] having committed abominations: murderers, adulterers, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars: their part [is] in the lake burning [with] fire and sulfur, which is the second thanatos.

*The Bride*

The New Jerusalem

9 One of the seven messengers came, those having the seven bowls, those being full of the seven last plagues. He talked with me, saying, “Here! I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb. 10 He carried me away in [the] spirit to a great and high mountain. He showed me the holy city, Jerusalem coming down from the heaven from God, 11 having the glory of God. Her radiance [was] like a precious stone, as a jasper stone, being clear as crystal, 12 having a great, high wall, having twelve gates, and at the gates twelve messengers. Names having been engraved, which are the twelve tribes of the children of Israel, 13 from [sun] rising, three gates; from north, three gates; from south, three gates, and from sunsets, three gates. 14 The wall of the city having twelve foundations; upon them twelve names of the twelve Apostles of the Lamb.

Her Magnificence

15 The one talking with me now has a golden measurement rod so that he could measure the city, her gates, and her wall. 16 The four-cornered city is laid out with her length as great as the plateau. He measured the city with the rod, twelve thousand stadia, her length, plateau, and height [~~is~~ are] equal. 17 He measured her wall [thickness], one hundred forty-four cubits in human measurement, which is [the] messenger’s [measurement]. 18 The surface of her wall [is] jasper. The city [is] pure gold like pure glass; 19 the foundations of the wall of the city having been adorned with all [kinds of] precious stone: the first foundation, jasper; the second, sapphire; the third, chalcedony; the fourth, emerald; 20 the fifth, sardonyx; the sixth, sardius; the seventh, chrysotile; the eighth, beryl; the ninth, topaz; the tenth, chrysoprase; the eleventh, hyacinth; the twelfth, amethyst. 21 The twelve gates, [are] twelve pearls; each one of the gates individually, is now from one pearl. The plateau of the city, [is] pure gold, as translucent glass.

Her Nature

22 I saw not a Temple in her: for, [the] Lord [~~the~~] God, [~~the~~] Almighty is her Temple; with the Lamb. 23 The city does not have need of the sun, nor of the moon, that they would shine in her: for, the glory of [~~the~~] God lighted her. Her lamp [is] the Lamb. 24 The Gentiles will walk about in her light. The kings of the land carry their glory into her. 25 Her gates would never, ever be locked by day: for, it will not be night there. 26 They will carry the glory and the honor of the Gentiles into her. 27 Any common [thing]; one making an abomination, or a lie, could never, ever come into her: only those having been written in the Book of Life of the Lamb.

Chapter 22

The Conclusion

Heaven

1 He showed me [the] river of [the] water of life, bright as crystal, pouring out from the throne of God, and of the Lamb, 2 in the middle of her plateau. Here and there beside the river a tree of life producing twelve fruits, yielding its fruit by [~~each~~] moon. The leaves of the tree [are] for the therapy of the Gentiles. 3 There will not be any curse [ever] again. The throne of God, and of the Lamb will be in her. His servants, serving as priests to Him; 4 will see His face; His Name [is] upon their foreheads. 5 There will not be night [ever] again. They do not have need of [the] light of a lamp, or [the] light of [the] sun; since, [the] Lord [~~the~~] God will illuminate [~~upon~~] them. They will reign into the ages of the ages.

The True Messenger

6 He told me, “These [~~the~~] words are faithful and true. The Lord [~~the~~] God of the spirits of the prophets, sent His messenger to show His servants, what is bound to be brought forth with speed.

The Speed

7 Look! I come quickly. Blessed [is] the one guarding the words of the prophecy of this book.

John

8 I John, also the one hearing and seeing these [things]. When I heard and saw, I fell [down] [~~to be~~] prostrated before the feet of the messenger showing me these [things]. 9 He tells me, “Don’t you see? I am your fellow-servant; of your brothers and sisters [~~of~~] the prophets; [~~of~~] the ones guarding the words of this book. Prostrate to God!”

The Unsealed Ending

10 He tells me, “You should not seal the words of the prophecy of this book: for, the time is near! 11 The ones being unrighteous, let them be unrighteous [ever] again. The defiled, let them be defiled [ever] again. The righteous, let them be made righteous [ever] again. The holy, let them be hallowed [ever] again. 12 Look! I come quickly. My wage [is] with Me to give away to each one as is their work. 13 I [am] the Alpha and the Omega; the first and the last; the start and the finish.

Blessing

14 Blessed those washing their robes, so that their authority will be [to access] the tree of life. They would enter the gates into the city. 15 Outside, [are] the dogs: the sorcerers, the adulterers, the murderers, the idolaters, and anyone loving and making a lie.

Jesus’ Seal

16 “I, Jesus, sent my messenger to testify to you these [things] to the assemblies. I Am the root and the branch of David, the star, the lamp, the dawn.

The Final Answer

17 The Spirit and the Bride say, “Come!” The one hearing, let them say, “Come!” The one thirsting, let them come! The one willing, let them take [the] water of life freely.

John’s Warning

18 I Myself testify to everyone hearing the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone would impose upon them, God will impose upon them the plagues, those having been written in this book; 19 if anyone would detract from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will detract their part from the tree of life, from the holy city, those [things] having been written in this book.

Signatures

20 The one testifying these [things] says, “Yes! I come quickly. Amen! Come, Lord Jesus!

Benediction

The grace of the Lord Jesus [be] with all.

[[4]](#footnote-4)

1. [~~xxx~~] denotes a word in Greek that was removed in English. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. [xxx] denotes a word not in Greek that was added in English. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. We distinguish the present, is, from the imperfect by adding the helping word now, is now, now is. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
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