

POWER IN THE WORD



All Saints Temple
Church of God In Christ

BIBLE STUDY

The Book of Revelation

Session #1 The Prologue

Text 1:1-8

1. The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to show unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John:
2. Who bare record of the word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and of all things that he saw.
3. Blessed is he that reads, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand.
4. John to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace be unto you, and peace, from him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before his throne;
5. And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,
6. And hath made us kings and priests

unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

7. Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.

8. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.

Application

The initial verse in this section details the movements of the prophecy from the divine realm to the sphere of John's physical world. It originated with God. Jesus then passes it on to the angel. It is the messenger which guides John through this *experience*. John scribes these futuristic events, which are apart of the canon for all to read *today*.

Verses 4 & 5 indicates that Revelation was a letter. These two verses reveal who sent the letter (John). The recipients are included as well (the seven churches in Asia Minor). Finally the salutation is provided (Grace be unto you...).

This portion of scripture entails a doxology in verses 5&6. Doxology is defined as a *Liturgical expression of praise*. John begins with *who is ...* – and

