



REVELATION

Revelation Chapter 1 | January 7, 2024

Read Revelation Chapter 1

The apostle John is the author of Revelation:

- He was around 13-17 years old when he was called to follow Jesus
- His mother was Salome
- He was part of Jesus's inner circle
- John was a fisherman, nicknamed by Jesus "Boanerges" - son of thunder
- He became the disciple whom Jesus loved in the Gospel of John
- He wrote the Gospel of John and 1, 2, & 3 John, as well as Revelation
- He was about 90+ years old when he wrote Revelation
- John was a pastor primarily in Ephesus and seven churches circuit rider
- He lived during the the Domitian persecutions
- All the other apostles were martyred
- Tertullian reports that John was boiled in oil before exiled on Patmos
- John showed incredible "courage in culture" - just like Daniel!

Revelation 1:5-6

5 and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, 6 and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father—to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen.

These verses tell us the following about who Jesus is:

- He is the faithful witness
- He is the firstborn of all who are resurrected
- He is the Ruler of all kings on the earth

- Who loves us
- Who freed us from our sins
- And made us a kingdom of priests

Zechariah 12:10

10 “And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and pleas for mercy, so that, when they look on me, on him whom they have pierced, they shall mourn for him, as one mourns for an only child, and weep bitterly over him, as one weeps over a firstborn.

The division of the book of Revelation is found in verse 19:

1. The things you have seen (chapter 1)
2. Those that are (chapters 2-3)
3. Those that are to take place after this (chapters 4-22)

The key question:

Is your eternal soul secure in Jesus?