

The Book of the Revelation of Jesus Christ General Overview

- I. What is the book of “*The Revelation of Jesus Christ*”?
 - a. Revelation means “to reveal”.
 - i. A revelation about Jesus Christ.
 1. Teachings.
 2. Actions.
 3. Timing of these things.
 - ii. A revelation of Jesus Christ.
 1. The biblical doctrine about the second coming of Jesus Christ is established throughout both Old and New Testaments of the Bible.
 - iii. A revelation given to the Apostle John which God gave to him.
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- II. The Nature of the Literature. (The Genre of the book of The Revelation of Jesus Christ.)
 - a. The different genres of literature in the Bible:
 - i. History (Genesis, Chronicles, Kings, Ruth, Esther, Acts)
 - ii. Prophecy (Major and Minor)
 - iii. Law/Legal (Leviticus, et. Al.)
 - iv. Poetry (Song of Songs, Psalms)
 - v. Wisdom (Proverbs, Ecclesiastes)
 - vi. Epistle (Ad hoc letters)
 - vii. Narrative (Gospel)
 - viii. Jewish Apocalyptic (Parts of OT Prophets, Revelation)
 - b. Nature of Jewish Apocalyptic literature.
 - i. Cyclical with a linear direction. (GPB TV History of Jazz)
 - ii. Fanciful in its description of real occurrences.
 - iii. Futuristic as well as descriptive of present circumstances.
- III. A terrible book from which to start.
 - a. No mention of Mercy in the book.
 - b. A lot of Wrath.
 - i. Wrath of the devil to man.
 - ii. Wrath of Man to man.
 - iii. Wrath of God to man and the dark spiritual powers.
 - c. The will of God and His mercy to convert and change people is still in effect today, but will not be when the events described in this book take place.