

## **1. Interpretation Approaches**

### **I. Four basic approaches to John's vision:**

- A. Preterist View
- B. Historicist Approach
- C. Futurist Approach
- D. Idealist Approach

## **2. Literary Analysis**

### **I. Additional approaches to Revelation**

- A. Literary analysis
- B. Comparative studies

### **II. Apocalyptic literature**

- A. Did these people really have visionary experiences?
- B. Persian influence
- C. Influence of prophetic Judaism
- D. Apocalyptic is the literature of the marginalized and oppressed
- E. Definition
- F. Christian apocalyptic

### **III. Narrative world of Revelation**

- A. Introduction (1:1-9)
- B. Epistolary introduction
- C. Personal introduction

### **IV. Authorship**

### **V. Date of writing**

## **3. Literary Analysis (pt 2)**

### **I. Occasion for writing**

### **II. Literary style**

- A. Apocalypse
- B. Epistle
- C. Cyclorama

### **III. Major themes**

### **IV. Canonicity**

### **V. John's theology**

### **VI. Outline of Revelation**

### **VII. Introduction to Revelation (1:1-9)**

- A. Introduction to the vision
- B. John's personal introduction

#### **4. The Seven Churches**

- I. Devotional and prayer
- II. Earthly vision of the Son of Man (1:10-20)
- III. The state of affairs (2:1-8:5)
  - A. The seven churches (2:1-3:22)
    - 1. Ephesus (2:1-7)

#### **5. The Seven Churches (pt 2)**

- III. The state of affairs (2:1-8:5) (cont)
  - A. The seven churches (2:1-3:22) (cont)
    - 1. Ephesus (2:1-7) (cont)
    - 2. Smyrna (2:8-11)
    - 3. Pergamum (2:12-17)

#### **6. The Seven Churches (pt 3)**

- III. The state of affairs (2:1-8:5) (cont)
  - A. The seven churches (2:1-3:22) (cont)
    - 3. Pergamum (2:12-17) (cont)
    - 4. Thyatira (2:18-29)
    - 5. Sardis (3:1-6)
    - 6. Philadelphia (3:7-13)

#### **7. The Seven Churches (pt 4)**

- III. The state of affairs (2:1-8:5) (cont)
  - A. The seven churches (2:1-3:22) (cont)
    - 7. Laodicea (3:14-22)
  - B. God and the lamb (4:1-5:14)
    - 1. God the Creator (4:1-5:14)

#### **8. God and the Lamb**

- III. The state of affairs (2:1-8:5) (cont)
  - B. God and the lamb (4:1-5:14) (cont)
    - 1. God the Creator (4:1-5:14) (cont)
    - 2. The redeemer Lamb (5:1-14)

#### **9. Seven Seals**

III. The state of affairs (2:1-8:5) (cont)

C. The Seven Seals (6:1-8:5) (cont)

1. The four horsemen (6:1-8) (cont)
2. Saints and sinners (6:9-17)
3. Interlude: The composition of New Jerusalem (7:1-17)
4. The power of prayer (9:1-5)

**10. The Seven Trumpets**

III. The state of affairs (2:1-8:5) (cont)

C. The Seven Seals (6:1-8:5) (cont)

4. The power of prayer (9:1-5) (cont)

IV. The problem and its solution (8:6-11:18)

A. The seven trumpets (8:6-11:18)

2. Fatally flawed creatures (8:13-9:21)
3. Interlude: God's radical solution (10:1-11:14)

**11. The Seven Trumpets (pt 2)**

IV. The problem and its solution (8:6-11:18) (cont)

A. The seven trumpets (8:6-11:18) (cont)

2. Fatally flawed creatures (8:13-9:21) (cont)
3. Interlude: God's radical solution (10:1-11:14)
4. The song of victory (11:15-18)

**12. The Seven Trumpets (pt 3)**

IV. The problem and its solution (8:6-11:18) (cont)

A. The seven trumpets (8:6-11:18) (cont)

4. The song of victory (11:15-18) (cont)

B. What's really going on (11:19-15:4)

1. The real roots of the cross (11:19-12:6)

**13. The Roots of the Cross**

IV. The problem and its solution (8:6-11:18) (cont)

B. What's really going on (11:19-15:4) (cont)

1. The real roots of the cross (11:19-12:6) (cont)
2. The mother of all wars (12:7-17)
3. The nature of fallen Babylon (13:1-18)

## **14. New Jerusalem and Fallen Babylon**

- IV. The problem and its solution (8:6-11:18) (cont)
  - B. What's really going on (11:19-15:4) (cont)
    - 3. The nature of fallen Babylon (13:1-18) (cont)
    - 4. The nature of New Jerusalem (14:1-5)
    - 5. Opportunity and outcome (14:6-13) [wrath of God]

## **15. The Seven Bowls**

- IV. The problem and its solution (8:6-11:18) (cont)
  - B. What's really going on (11:19-15:4) (cont)
    - 5. Opportunity and outcome (14:6-13) (cont)
    - 6. Harvest (14:14-15:4)
  - C. The seven bowls (15:5-16:21)
    - 1. Judgment on the citizens of fallen Babylon (15:5-16:9)
    - 2. The results of the refusal of redemption (16:10-21)

## **16. Fallen Babylon**

- IV. The problem and its solution (8:6-11:18) (cont)
  - C. The seven bowls (15:5-16:21) (cont)
    - 2. The results of the refusal of redemption (16:10-21) (cont)
- V. The consequences (17:1-22:9)
  - A. Babylon's present fallenness and future demise (17:1-19:10)
    - 1. Babylon's fragile facade (17:1-18)

## **17. Fallen Babylon (pt 2)**

- V. The consequences (17:1-22:9) (cont)
  - A. Babylon's present fallenness and future demise (17:1-19:10) (cont)
    - 1. Babylon's fragile facade (17:1-18) (cont)
    - 2. Doom and gloom (18:1-24)

## **18. Question and Answer**

- V. The consequences (17:1-22:9) (cont)
    - A. Babylon's present fallenness and future demise (17:1-19:10) (cont)
      - 3. Praises for victory (19:1-10)
- \*\*\* Question and answer\*\*\*

## **19. The Lamb's Victory**

- V. The consequences (17:1-22:9) (cont)
  - A. Babylon's present fallenness and future demise (17:1-19:10) (cont)
    - 3. Praises for victory (19:1-10)
  - B. The Lamb's present and future victory (19:11-21:8)
    - 1. The Lamb's victory (19:11-21)
    - 2. The firstfruits of victory (20:1-10)

## **20. New Jerusalem's Hope**

- V. The consequences (17:1-22:9) (cont)
  - B. The Lamb's present and future victory (19:11-21:8) (cont)
    - 2. The firstfruits of victory (20:1-10) (cont)
    - 3. The final fruits of victory (20:11-21:8)
  - C. New Jerusalem's present hope and future glory (21:9-22:9)
    - 1. The nature of New Jerusalem (21:9-21)

## **21. New Jerusalem's Hope (pt 2)**

- V. The consequences (17:1-22:9) (cont)
  - C. New Jerusalem's present hope and future glory (21:9-22:9) (cont)
    - 1. The nature of New Jerusalem (21:9-21) (cont)
    - 2. The people of New Jerusalem (21:22-22:9)

## **22. The People of the New Jerusalem**

- V. The consequences (17:1-22:9) (cont)
  - C. New Jerusalem's present hope and future glory (21:9-22:9) (cont)
    - 2. The people of New Jerusalem (21:22-22:9) (cont)
- VI. Conclusion (22:10-21)

## **23. Concluding Thoughts**

- I. Introduction
- II. Revelation 21:18-21
- III. Revelation Chapter 22
  - A. 22:1-5
  - B. 22:6-9
  - C. 22:10-21
- IV. Concluding Thoughts

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