

THE BOOK OF REVELATION

AT A GLANCE

If you're going to study the book of Revelation, a helpful place to start is by looking at the mini-outline that Revelation itself provides for us. In Revelation 1:19, God tells John, **"Write, therefore, the things that you have seen, the things that are, and the things that will happen after this."**

THE THINGS YOU HAVE SEEN

CHAPTER 1

The things that John has seen refer back to his encounter with the glorified Jesus ("I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day and I heard the voice behind me...").

Including: *Prologue and Blessing (1:1-3); Greeting to the Churches (1:4-8); John's Vision of the Risen Christ (1:9-20).*

THE THINGS THAT ARE

CHAPTER 2-3

The things that are, present tense, refer to the seven churches of Asia-Minor ("And to the angel of the Church in Ephesus...").

Including: *Letters to Ephesus (2:1-7); Smyrna (2:8-11); Pergamum (2:12-17); Thyatira (2:18-29); Sardis (3:1-6); Philadelphia (2:7-13); Laodicea (3:14-22).*

THE THINGS THAT TAKE PLACE AFTER THIS

CHAPTER 4-22

As John's vision shifts to a door standing open in heaven, he is shown future events ("Come up here. I will show you what will take place after this...").

Including: *Heavenly Throne Room (4-5); Tribulation (6-19); Millennial Reign of Christ (20:1-10); Great Judgment (20:11-15); New Heaven & New Earth (21:1-22:5); Final Blessings (22:6-21).*