

## Revelation Chapter 1 ASV (updated English)

### 1 The Revelation of **Jesus Christ**,

- which **God** gave him to show unto his **servants**,
- even the things which must shortly come to pass
- and he sent and signified it by his **angel**
- unto his servant **John**,
- 2 who bare witness of the word of God,
- and of the testimony of Jesus Christ,
- even of all things that he saw.

### 3 Blessed is he that **reads**,

and they that **hear** the words of the prophecy,  
and **keep** the things that are written therein:

for the time is at hand.

### 4 John

to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace to you and peace,

- from him** who is and who was and who is to come,
- and **from the seven Spirits** that are before his throne,
- 5 and **from Jesus Christ**,

- who is the faithful witness,
- the firstborn of the dead,
- and the ruler of the kings of the earth.
- Unto him that loveth us, and loosed us from our sins by his blood,
- 6 and he made us to be a kingdom,
- to be priests unto his God and Father,
- to him be the glory and the dominion for ever and ever. Amen.
- 7 Behold, he comes with the clouds,
- and every eye shall see him,
- and they that pierced him,
- and all the tribes of the earth shall mourn over him.
- Even so, Amen.

8 says the **Lord God**, -I am the Alpha and the Omega,  
-who is and who was and who is to come,  
-the Almighty.

### 9 **I John**, your brother and partaker with you

- in the tribulation
- and kingdom and patience which are in Jesus,

was in the isle that is called Patmos,

- for the word of God
- and the testimony of Jesus.

10 I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day,  
and I heard behind me a **great voice**, as of a trumpet

### 11 **saying, What you see, write in a book**

and send it to the seven churches: unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamum.  
and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea.

12 And I turned to see the voice that spake with me.

And having turned I saw seven golden candlesticks,

13 and in the midst of the candlesticks

**one like unto a son of man,**

-clothed with a garment down to the foot,

-and girt about at the breasts with a golden girdle.

-14 And his head and his hair were white as white wool, white as snow,

-and his eyes were as a flame of fire,

-15 and his feet like unto burnished brass, as if it had been refined in a furnace,

-and his voice as the voice of many waters.

-16 And he had in his right hand seven stars:

-and out of his mouth proceeded a sharp two-edged sword:

-and his countenance was as the sun shines in his strength.

17 And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as one dead.

-And he laid his right hand upon me, saying,

-Fear not; I am the first and the last,

-18 and the Living one,

-and I was dead, and behold,

-I am alive for evermore,

-and I have the keys of death and of Hades.

19 Write therefore

-the things which you saw,

-and the things which are, and

-the things which shall come to pass hereafter.

20 the mystery

of the **seven stars** which you saw in my right hand,

and the **seven golden candlesticks**.

-The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches:

-and the seven candlesticks are seven churches.