

Lesson 2 Revelation 1-19

Day 1 Names and Titles of Jesus and Metaphors / Similes

How is Jesus “revealed” or described in Revelation 1? Write the verse after its address and look at the names in English and Hebrew below the written verse.

1:4

I AM WHO I AM, LORD-YHWH, The First and the Last-Rishon Va-Acharon

1:5

King of Kings – Marey Malek, King of ages-Melek Olamim, King Lord of Hosts-Melek Yahweh Tsabaot, King of the Nations-Melek Ha-Goyim

1:7

God of Glory-El Ha-Kavod, Majestic Glory-Naddir Kavod

1:8 He is the Alpha and the Omega (Greek) or the Aleph and the Tau (Hebrew), the LORD God, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty”

The First and the Last-Rishon Va-Acharon

Does this remind you of the name God told Moses to reveal Himself as, to the Israelites? See Exodus 3:14. What is that name?

“God furthermore said to Moses, ‘Thus you shall say to the sons of Israel, “The LORD, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.” This is My name forever, and this is My memorial name to all generations”’

What does the name “I AM” mean? See 1:4 and 1:8

1:13

Righteous Judge-Shophet tsaddiq, Holy God-El Hakkadosh, Consuming Fire /Jealous God-El Kanna, Esh Oklah

1:14

1:15

1:16

Everlasting Light-Or Olam,

1:17-18

The First and the Last-Rishon Va-Acharon

Which of these descriptions above are either a metaphor or a simile? Remember the words, “like,” and “as.”

1:13 and in the middle of the lampstands I saw one **like** a son of man, clothed in a robe reaching to the feet, and girded across His chest with a golden sash.

1:14 His head and His hair were white **like** white wool, like snow; and His eyes were **like** a flame of fire.

1:15 His feet were **like** burnished bronze, His voice was **like** the sound of many waters.

1:16 in His right hand He held seven stars, and out of His mouth came a sharp two-edged sword; and His face was **like** the sun shining in its strength

What names or titles are given for Christ in the Revelation 1 passage?

Day 2 Signs and Blessings

The Holman Christian Standard Bible, Revelation 1:1-2, reads this way....

“The revelation of Jesus Christ that God gave Him to show His slaves what must quickly take place. He sent it and signified it through His angel to His slave John, who testified to God’s word and to the testimony about Jesus Christ, in all he saw.”

The word from the Holman I would like you to focus on here is: **signified**. The word “signified” in the Holman has replaced the words “communicated” in the NASB. “Signify” in the Greek is the word “Semaino,” and according to Robert Mounce’s revised edition of The New International Commentary of the New Testament, Published in 1997, p. 42, this “carries the idea of figurative representation.” Strictly speaking, it means to make known by some kind of **sign**.” The word for sign, “semaino,” in the Greek, in the KJV, Revelation 12:1-3 is “wonder,” Revelation 15:1 “sign,” and in

Revelation 19:20, “miracles.” In the NASB and the Holman, all of these references are translated “sign(s).” There are 4591 “semainos” throughout the Bible in the King James Version.

We are going to find some symbols along the way in our study of Revelation, as well. We’ve already looked at several of these symbols in Lesson 1, Day 2 but later on we will see three women who are found to represent or symbolize the wife of YHWH, the Virgin Bride of Christ, and the Harlot.

Read about the Wife of YHWH (Israel) in Revelation 12.

The Virgin Bride of Christ is the Church or Messianic Community.

Finally, the Harlot symbolizes Mystery Babylon. Read about her in Revelation 17

I want you to see what works Christ did for us in Revelation 1:5-6.

He has released us from our sins by His blood.

He has made us to be a kingdom of priests to His God and Father.

Who else can do these works?

What blessing are we guaranteed in chapter 1?

1:3

There are six other blessing in the book of Revelation and added to this one in Revelation 1:3 makes a total of seven. These are the other six blessings for you to look up and write them down here:

14:13

16:15

19:9

20:6

22:7

22:14

Days 3-5 Old Testament Concealed, New Testament Revealed

I would really like you to cross-reference the verses of Revelation 1 with their counterpart in the Old Testament. I want to encourage you to record your thoughts in the space provided. This exercise will greatly enhance your understanding that what was once concealed in the Old Testament is now revealed in the New Testament. In the Introduction to this study, I told you that we will be able to refer to the Hebrew text more completely by cross referencing the verses written in Greek in Revelation with those written (or mentioned) in Hebrew in the Tanakh and translated into English via the Hebrew text. These are listed for you here; some comparisons have my comments after the space left for your comments and before the next comparison:

Revelation 1:1 with Daniel 2:28-29

Although the word “apocalypsis” or “revelation” has become synonymous in our culture with the end of the world, originally, the word “revelation” referred to the disclosure of a mystery.

Revelation 1:4 with Isaiah 11:2

Revelation 1:6 with Exodus 19:6; Isaiah 61:6

To the Israelites, particularly those from the tribe of Levi and the family of Aaron, but all of us Believers are priests.

Revelation 1:7 with Daniel 7:13; Zechariah 12:10-14

Revelation 1:8 with Isaiah 41: 4

Revelation 1:12 with Exodus 25:37, 37:23

Revelation 1:13 with Daniel 7:13, 10:5, 16

Revelation 1:14 with Daniel 7:9, 10:6

Revelation 1:15 with Ezekiel 1:7, 24, 43:2, Daniel 10:6

The Ezekiel passage is about the four living creatures who are around the throne and their likeness to description of Jesus in Revelation 1:15, the voice of the tumult in Ezekiel like Jesus' voice in Revelation

Revelation 1:16 with Judges 5:31, Isaiah 49:2

Revelation 1:17 with Isaiah 41:4, 44:6, 48:12, Daniel 8:17-18, 10:9-10,12,15,19

Revelation 1:18 with Job 3:17; Hos 13:14

Revelation 1:1 with Daniel 2:28-29

The Kingdoms in Daniel are in order and they represent kingdoms yet future. Can you name the four remaining kingdoms by their description?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

Revelation 1:4 with Isaiah 11:2

Revelation 1: 5 with Genesis 49:11; Psalm 89:27

Revelation 1:6 with Exodus 19:6; Isaiah 61:6

What were the duties of the priesthood? What was represented by the incense burning on the golden altar of incense in the Holy Place in the Temple? As priests to God, what is one of our main duties? Let the former questions help you answer this last question.

Revelation 1:7 with Daniel 7:13, Zechariah 12:10-14

For a time now, the Jewish people's eyes are blinded until the fullness of the number of the Gentiles comes in. Then, in a single moment, all the remaining Jews will know that Jesus was their Messiah, and they will be ashamed of themselves and they will mourn like never before.

Revelation 1:8 with Isaiah 41:4

Revelation 1:12 with Exodus 25:37; Exodus 37:23

The seven golden lampstands were the ONLY light present in the tabernacle. Gold threads outlining likenesses of the angels were woven into the ceiling fabric and the great fabric wall in front of the Holy of Holies. Can you imagine the light bouncing off of those angels' likenesses? And can you see the light bouncing off the other gold articles in the Holy Place? It must have been a majestic moment. He, Jesus, God's Son is light. When you think of the Creation week recorded in Genesis 1, know that on the fourth day, He created the light of the sun, the moon, and the stars in the heavens. We would not be able to see if there was no light. We would not see colors unless there was light. Please just stop for a few minutes and think about this. As I reflect on my mother's passing now almost 6 years ago, I wonder what she is experiencing in the real Holy of Holies in the presence of God on His Throne. Right now. How vivid the colors are. How majestic is He who is on the Throne!

Revelation 1:13 with Daniel 7:13, Daniel 10:5, 16

Any literate and educated Jewish person who had been schooled in God's ways would recognize who this one like a son of God in Revelation was. He/she would immediately make the connection between the two.

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Revelation 1:15 with Ezekiel 1:7, 24; 43:2; Daniel 10:6

Revelation 1:16; Judges 5:31; Isaiah 49:2

Revelation 1:17; Isaiah 41:4; 44:6; 48:12; Dan 8:17-28; 10:9, 10, 12, 15, 19

Revelation 1:18 with Job 3:17, Hosea 13:14