## What is **The Book of Revelation** About?

- 1. What **questions** do **you** have about the Book of Revelation?
- 2. What literary **genre** is Revelation? (ie, history, poetry, letter, prophecy, wisdom, narrative ...)
- 3. What are the key **principles of interpretation** for this <u>genre</u>?
- 4. What **other books** in this genre are most closely associated with Revelation?
- 5. **When** was the book of Revelation written? What was going on with God's people at that time?
- 6. **Who wrote** the book of Revelation? Who was his original audience?
- 7. What else did he write? How are these books related to Revelation?
- 8. Where does Revelation **begin**, and where does it **end**?
- 9. How is this book **different** from any other book in the New Testament?
- 10. What things are **emphasized** in Revelation? What things are **repeated** in Revelation?
- 11. What **patterns** do you notice in the book of Revelation? **Key numbers**?
- 12. What are the key **geographic places** mentioned in Revelation?
- 13. Who are the **main figures** in the book?
- 14. What are some elements of **imagery and symbolism** in Revelation? What do they stand for? How do you know/best way to be sure?
- 15. What is the **scope** of the book....in terms of time? In terms of places? In terms of God's creation?
- 16. What is the **major conflict** of the book of Revelation? How is it **resolved?**
- 17. What is the **main overall message** of the book?
- 18. What **major events** are described in Revelation? **Where else** in the Bible are these events described?
- 19. Revelation can be seen as the **"final exam"** of the Bible. What avenues of study and enrichment does that statement open up for you?
- 20. What is a high level **outline** for the book?

- 21. What do you think is the "main event" or **climax** of the book of Revelation? How does identifying that shed light on the overall interpretation of the book?
- 22. When you read Revelation, what sections are **very clear** to you the most straightforward to understand what is being described? Which are the most difficult? Why is that?
- 23. What does this book have to say about **the Lord Jesus Christ?** How does Revelation related to the person, death, resurrection of Christ?
- 24.Revelation is a New Testament book. How does Revelation relate to **the Church**, the body of Christ?
- 25. What **topics** show up in several sections of Revelation?
- 26. What is the **most important key or keys** that when found opens the door to solid interpretation of the book of Revelation? How do we go about grasping these keys?
- 27. Which of the following **maps** is the best one for Revelation:
  - a. It proceeds into the future in a straight line, describing future events in sequence.
  - b. It loops around and keeps coming back to describing the same events again and again.
  - c. It describes events which occurred in the past.
  - d. It is not describing the past or the future; rather, it is an allegory that is meant to teach spiritual lessons to us.
- 28. What are the **turning points** in the book of Revelation? How do you know?
- 29. What are the major **competing theories** about the book of Revelation?
- 30. What are some **key verses** in the book of Revelation?