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The Big idea of Revelation:

Stay faithful in a world of compromise, because in the end Jesus will defeat evil, save his people, and remake the world.

Understanding Revelation

Although Revelation may seem strange, its purpose isn't to confuse us or divide us. It's not written to be a handbook of endtime events. It's written to give us a divine perspective on history, and to help us live faithfully in a world that's hostile to God.

Revelation is meant to help us see the world as it really is. Things are not as they appear. The world will get worse before the end, but Jesus will prevail. So stay faithful, and don't compromise!

OUTLINE

Prologue (1:1-8)

Letters to the Seven Churches (1:9-3:22)

Jesus brings messages of hope and warning to his churches. Our greatest danger is not persecution but spiritual complacency.

The Throne Room of Heaven (4-5)

What struggling churches need most is a vision of God and his Son Jesus.

Judgments (6:1-19:10)

The wrath of God is revealed against the Satan and world, but God preserves this people.

- Seven Seals (6:1-8:5)
- Seven Trumpets (8:6-11:19)
- Seven Histories (12:1-15:4)
- Seven Bowls (15:5-16:21)
- Babylon Falls (17:1-19:10)

Triumph and New Creation (19:11-22:5)

In the end, God will judge evil and remake the world.

- The Final Battle and the Millennium (19:11-20:15)
- The New Heaven and New Earth (21:1-22:5)

Epilogue (22:6-21)