

THE REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST

Rev. 1:7

Beloved of the Lord:

The theme of Revelation is expressed in the words of our verse, for Christ Himself is the subject of the whole book in relation to His second coming to the earth. Meditate and consider the depths of truth in this verse, prayerfully -

1 - THE DECLARATION OF HIS COMING - "Behold, HE COMETH" - ALL the promises of Scripture relating to His second coming are here re-stated. from the very first prophecy that Enoch. the seventh from Adam, gave - Cp. Gen.5:21-24 with Jude verses 14,15.

2 - THE SPECIAL MANNER OF HIS COMING - "with clouds" - The Saviour foretold it - "hereafter ye shall see the Son of Man sitting on the right hand of power and coming in the clouds of heaven" - Matt.26:64. "Holy angels" and saints with Him - Matt.25:31;2 Thess.1:10;Rev.19:14

3 - THE PUBLICITY OF HIS COMING - "every eye shall see HIM" - Take in the scope! When the Revelation is finalized, not only the living on earth see HIM, but ALL the dead shall stand before Him and SEE HIM! The good and the wicked shall SEE HIM! The great and the small shall SEE HIM! There never has been and there will be no human person who shall not SEE HIM! The eyes of all thru human history will be compelled to meet HIS eyes! - see Rev. 1:14.

4 - A SPECIAL DISTINCTION FOR SOME - "they which pierced HIM" - Though a universal manifestation, yet a distinction of disaster for some. His murderers will SEE HIM! - face to face! Judas who betrayed HIM! The soldiers who mocked and crowned Him with thorns. The priests who condemned Him. The soldier who pierced His side. Pilate who commanded Him to be crucified. Special reference can be made to Israel as a nation, for their rejection of Him, for "they shall look on ME Whom they pierced" - Zech. 12:10-14. Read it! Yes ALL, to the end of time who have wronged, persecuted, wounded, insulted and rejected HIM, will be compelled to face HIM in judgment and gaze on Him Whom they have pierced!

5 - THE UNIVERSAL MOURNING ON EARTH - "ALL kindreds of earth shall wail because of HIM" - The ungodly in all the earth will be filled with fear. His appearing is hated by the ungodly- 2 Pet.3:4. His coming will end for ever their sinful pleasures. Their self-confidence and boastings will turn into consternation and fear! Songs of mirth will turn into shrieks of horror and despair! His appearing will bring the terrors of judgment and no family, tribe or nation shall escape! "The SON OF MAN shall send forth HIS angels, and they shall gather OUT of His kingdom ALL things that offend and THEM which do iniquity" - Matt.13:41.

6 - THE BELIEVER'S RATIFICATION - "Even so, AMEN!" - What can the humble believer do and say- but the words of Abraham long ago - "shall not the judge of all the earth do right" - Gen. 18:25. God's long-suffering and patience will be at an end, following the long ages of divine forbearance on His part - see 2 Pet.3:9.

7 - THE BELIEVER'S GRATIFICATION - TODAY -praise God, WE wait for God's Son to come from heaven, "our deliverer from the coming wrath"! - 1 Thess.1:9,10. For "there is NO judgment to them who are in Christ Jesus"-Rom.8:1. Beloved, are you not grateful to be covered with the precious blood of Christ? May many lost souls find Christ today is our prayer! SOON - IT WILL BE TOO LATE!

ARE WE WATCHING -- ARE WE WAITING
IN THE RAIMENTS PURE AND WHITE?
WOULD WE JOY AT HIS APPEARING
IF OUR LORD SHOULD COME
TONIGHT!

Faithfully yours in Christ,

