



“The Things Which Must Soon Happen”

Revelation 1:19-20

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INTRODUCTION:

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- Scripture

19 "Therefore write the things which you have seen, and the things which are, and the things which will take place after these things. 20 "As for the mystery of the seven stars which you saw in My right hand, and the seven golden lampstands: the seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches. [Rev 1:19-20]

1. “Therefore _____” is a command from the glorified Jesus Christ.

19 "Therefore write “the things which you have seen,”

1) The _____ of the command to write refers back to verse 11.

11 saying, "**Write in a book what you see, and send [it] to the seven churches: to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea.**" [Rev 1:11 NASB95]

The command to “write what you have seen”...

1) ...is first given from the _____ who gave the vision in verse 11.

• 10 I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me **a loud voice like [the sound] of a trumpet,** [Rev 1:10 NASB95]

2) ...is _____ in by a second voice in verse 19.

• 15 ... and His voice [was] like **the sound of many waters.** [Rev 1:15 NASB95]

3) ...is authenticated by God's _____.

• 17 When I saw Him, I fell at His feet like a dead man. And He placed His right hand on me, saying, "**Do not be afraid; I am the first and the last,** [Rev 1:17 NASB95]

• 14 God said to Moses, "**I AM WHO I AM**"; and He said, "Thus you shall say to the sons of Israel, '**I AM has sent me to you.**'" [Exo 3:14 NASB95]

• 6 "Thus says the LORD, the King of Israel and his Redeemer, the LORD of hosts: '**I am the first and I am the last, And there is no God besides Me.** [Isa 44:6 NASB95]

2) “Write” is an imperative verb and a new _____ for John.

19 "Therefore write... [Rev 1:19]

1) Repetition impresses the _____ of the message.

2) The Son of Man's voice has divine _____ and _____.

✳ Do we tremble with the weight of God's word?

• 5 **Hear the word** of the LORD, you who **tremble at His word...** [Isa 66:5 NASB95]

• The roar of Niagara Falls communicates power and immovable authority

✳ Domitian hurt John but John _____ God.

• 1 Thus says the LORD, "Heaven is My throne and the earth is My footstool. Where then is a house you could build for Me? And where is a place that I may rest? 2 "For My hand made all these things, Thus all these things came into being," declares the LORD. "**But to this one I will look, To him who is humble and contrite of spirit, and who trembles at My word.** [Isa 66:1-2 NASB95]

2. The glorified Christ reveals the _____ which must soon come to be.

19 "Therefore write the things which you have seen, and the things which are, and the things which will take place after these things. [Rev 1:19]

1) The glorified Christ is in the process of _____.

- ☞ 7 BEHOLD, **HE IS COMING WITH THE CLOUDS**, and every eye will see Him, even those who pierced Him; and all the tribes of the earth will mourn over Him. So it is to be. Amen. [Rev 1:7 NASB95]

2) These are the things that must _____.

- ☞ 1 The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show to His bond-servants, **the things which must soon take place**; and He sent and communicated [it] by His angel to His bond-servant John, [Rev 1:1 NASB95]

3) A threefold division outlines the _____ of the Revelation.

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1) Write the things [the vision] which you [John] _____ seen. [chapter 1]

- ☞ 19 "Therefore write the things which you have seen, ... [Rev 1:19]

- ✳ **The first division was _____ tense "see" in verse 11.**

- ☞ 11 saying, "**Write in a book what you see**, and **send** [it] to the seven churches: to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea." [Rev 1:11 NASB95]

- ✳ **The first division ends in verse 19 with the vision _____.** [consummative aorist]

- ☞ 19 "Therefore write the things which you have seen, ... [Rev 1:19]

2) Write the things which are,... [the _____ of the church]. [chapter 2&3]

- ☞ 19 ...the things which are,... [Rev 1:19]

- ✳ **The second division addresses the present _____ of the church.**

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- ✳ **The content of the _____ of the church.**

- ☞ 20 "As for the mystery of the seven stars which you saw in My right hand, and the seven golden lampstands: the seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches. [Rev 1:20 NASB95]

- ✳ **The characteristics of the _____ of the church.**

- ☞ 9 I, John, your brother and fellow partaker in the **tribulation** and **kingdom** and **perseverance** [which are] in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos because of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. [Rev 1:9 NASB95]

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3) Write the things which will take place after these things,... [Daniel’s 70th week and the _____ of God]. [chapter 4-22]

☪ 19 “...and the things which will take place after these things. [Rev 1:19]

✳ **The third division addresses the future and concluding _____ of God.**

(1) God desires that no one should _____.

☪ 9 **The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.** [2Pe 3:9]

(2) God withholds judgment for the _____ of iniquity.

☪ 13 [God] said to Abram, "Know for certain that your descendants will be strangers in a land that is not theirs, where they will be enslaved and oppressed four hundred years. ... 16 "Then in the fourth generation they will return here, for **the iniquity of the Amorite is not yet complete.**" [Gen 15:13, 16 NASB95]

☪ 15 [**Jews**] who both killed the Lord Jesus and the prophets, and drove us out. They are not pleasing to God, but hostile to all men, 16 hindering us from speaking to the Gentiles so that they may be saved; with the result that they always **fill up the measure of their sins.** But wrath has come upon them to the utmost. [1Th 2:15-16]

(3) God withholds judgment to provide ample opportunity for _____.

☪ 25 For I do not want you, brethren, to be uninformed of this mystery--so that you will not be wise in your own estimation--that a partial hardening has happened to Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in; [Rom 11:25 NASB95]

☪ 24 and they will fall by the edge of the sword, and will be led captive into all the nations; and Jerusalem will be trampled under foot by the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled. [Luk 21:24 NASB95]

☪ 12 Let the nations be aroused And come up to the valley of Jehoshaphat, For there I will sit to judge All the surrounding nations. 13 Put in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe. Come, tread, for the wine press is full; The vats overflow, for their wickedness is great. 14 Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! For the day of the LORD is near in the valley of decision. [Joe 3:12-14 NASB95]

Conclusion

6 And he said to me, "These words are faithful and true"; and the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, sent His angel to show to His bond-servants **the things which must soon take place.** [Rev 22:6]