



Revelation Chap. 1:4 (Pt. 2)

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JUST IN CASE YOU FORGOT...

Therefore write the things which **you have seen**, and the things **which are**, and the things which **will take place after these things**. (Rev. 1:1 NASB)

BOOK SUMMATION:

“THE GOD WHO REVEALS ALL THINGS”

To Sum Up Last Session

We have observed the seven churches in Asia Minor.

We have looked at some of the aspects of Asia Minor in relation to the audience.

We have looked at one of the Persons of the Godhead (spec. God the Father).

Rev. 1:4 NASB

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace, from Him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven Spirits who are before His throne...

John Gill

“...Either before the throne of God the Father; or, as the Ethiopic version reads, “before the throne of the Lord Jesus Christ”; by whom are meant not angels, **though these are spirits, and stand before the throne of God, and are ready to do his will**”

Observations

“and from the seven Spirits who are before His throne...”

Question

Who, or what, are the seven Spirits of God?

Observations

“and from the seven Spirits who are before His throne...”

This is repeated **three** other times in Scripture.

Rev.
3:1

Rev.
4:5

Rev.
5:6

Isa. 11:2 NASB

The Spirit of the LORD will rest on Him, The spirit of wisdom and understanding, The spirit of counsel and strength, The spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

Immediate context: Isaiah is discussing the “stem of Jesse” (this is concerning the Messiah coming from the line of David (c.f., Acts 13:22-23)). This “stem of Jesse” would have these “spirits” rest on him.

Wisdom

חָכְמָה (pronounced *chokmah*)- wisdom, prudence, and skill.

Exo 28:3 (Concerning priestly garments)

Exo 31:3-6 (Concerning the effects of the tabernacle of God)

Exo 35:30-35; 36:1-4 **After Exo. 25:40** (Concerning the effects of the tabernacle of God)

Wisdom

Deut. 4:6 (Concerning Joshua)

1 Kings 4:29 (Concerning Solomon)

It appears that wisdom is the wisdom of God divinely given (Tabernacle, law, govern)

Understanding

בִּינָה (pronounced *biynah*)- understanding,
discernment

2 Chron. 2:12 (Concerning David)

Prov. 9:10 (Concerning God)

1 Chron. 22:12 (Concerning Solomon)

Dan. 9:22 (Concerning Daniel)

Understanding

It appears understanding is the understanding of God divinely given (Rule, decision, God's work).
This comes from God and God alone.

Counsel

עֵצָה (pronounced *etsah*)- Counsel, advice (88x)

Isa. 25:1 (Concerning the plan of God)

Isa. 46:10 (Concerning the establishment of the plan of God)

Isa. 40:13 (Concerning the omniscience and omnisapience of God)

Counsel

In the case of God, this has to do with the specific details and plans of His will. This comes from God and God alone.

Strength

גְּבוּרָה (pronounced *gebuwrab*)- might, power, strength, mighty, etc.

Deut. 3:24; 2 Chron. 20:6; Job. 12:13; Ps. 66:7; Ps. 89:13 (Concerning the power of the Lord).

Note: Most of these verses have to do with the quality of kings.

Strength

In the case of God, this has to do with the quality and character of His rule. This comes from God and God alone.

Knowledge

דַּעַת (pronounced *da'ath*)- knowledge, know, unawares, ignorant

Exo. 35:31 (Concerning the knowledge of the temple of God).

Prov. 2:6 (Concerning the nature of God).

Hos. 4:1; 4:6; 6:6 (Concerning Israel's rebellion).

Knowledge

In the case of God, this has to do with the knowing of God (and the conduct of how to live). This comes from God and God alone.

Fear of The Lord

יִרְאַת יְהוָה (pronounced *Yir'ab YHVH*)-Fear, respect
reverence (of the LORD).

Psalm 19:9 (Concerning doctrine)

Prov. 2:6 (Concerning conduct *in light of
doctrine*).

Isa. 11:2; 33:6 (Concerning the Messiah's rule).

Fear of The Lord

In the case of God, this has everything to do regarding the doctrine of what God has said and acting accordingly with that doctrine. Again its origin comes from God.

Question

WHAT ABOUT THE SEPTUAGINT?

To be continued...

On To Part Three...