

## Lesson 1

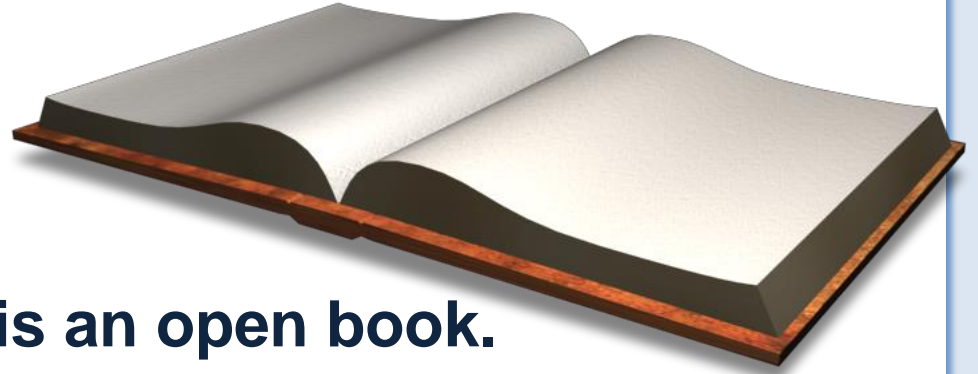
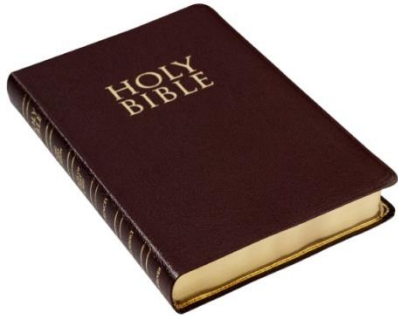
# A Bible Prophecy Adventure



*Fact...Revelation can change your life!*

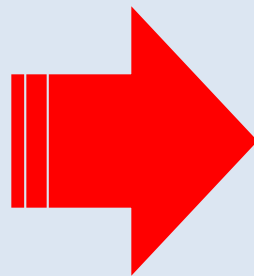
Revelation is a book of prophecy. It explains the past and reveals the future. You will be amazed as our world's exciting future opens. You will actually see the future before it happens!

# Revelation...The Open Book



**Revelation is an open book.**

**It was written especially for our times, the last days  
(‘end time’) of earth’s history (Rev 22:10).**



**A very special blessing is  
promised to those who  
study and follow God’s  
counsel found in the book  
(Rev 1:3)**

# Revelation...The Open Book

*Fact...The Revelation Seminar offers rewarding blessings. Here's what it can do for you:*



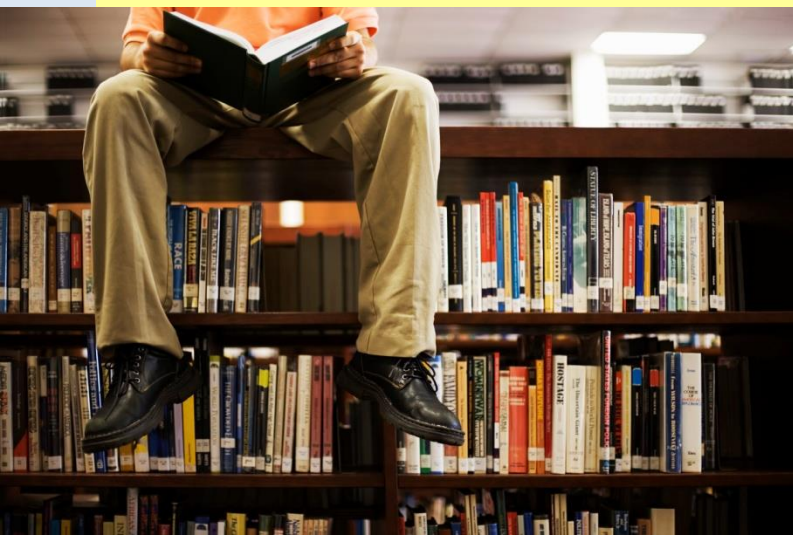
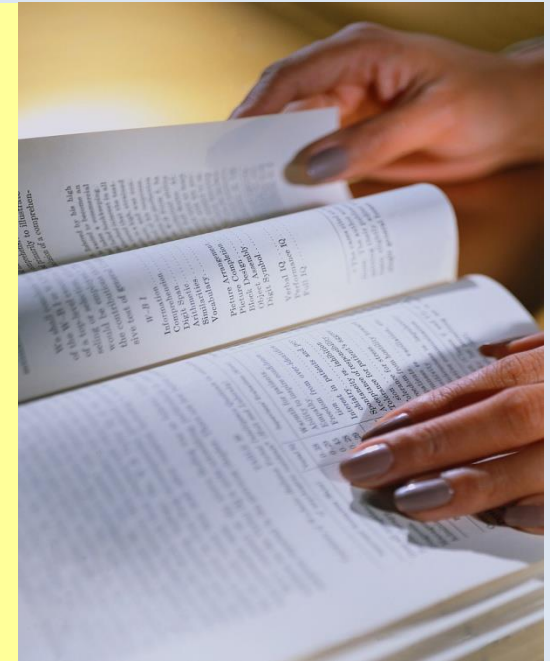
1. Greatly benefit your personal life.
2. Give you a new understanding of world history.
3. Reveal shocking events that will take place on this earth and how to be prepared for their impact.



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*More rewarding blessings:*

4. Recognize how the centuries-long warfare between Christ and Satan affects your future.
5. Discover the devil's plan to ensnare you. By being forewarned you can avoid his traps.

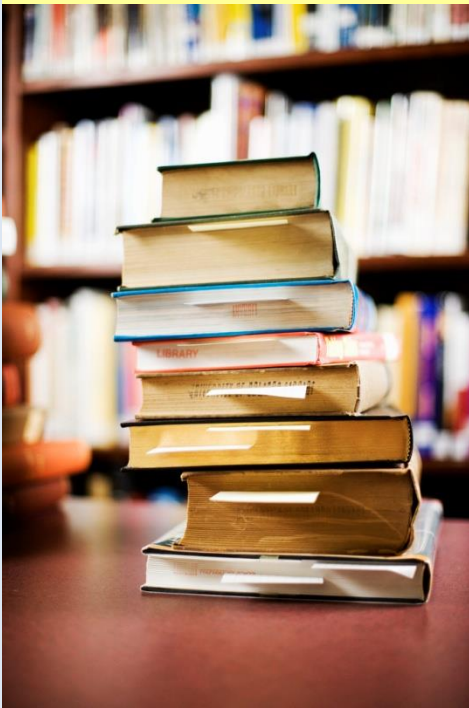
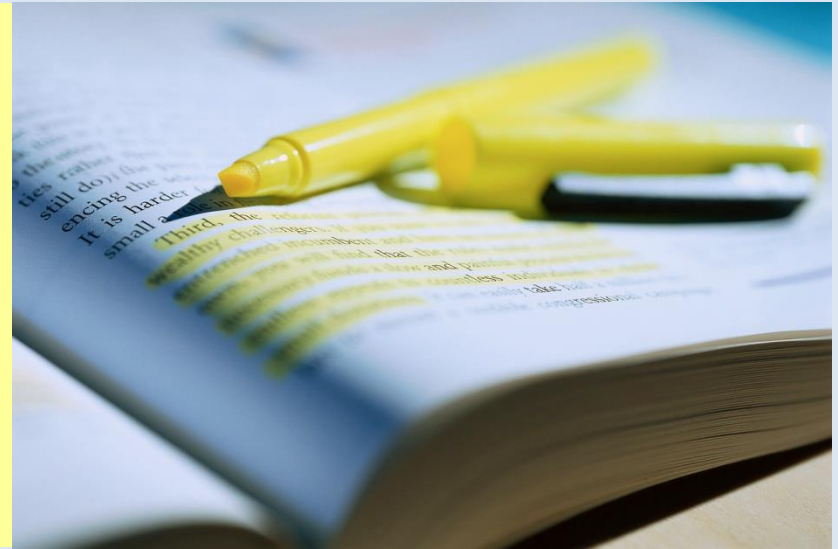


**Know this now...God and Satan both seek your loyalty. Many people honor the devil today without knowing it.**



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6. Be astonished that the Great God of Heaven and His Son Jesus Christ speaks to you through the Holy Spirit and the Word.



7. Understand how the Bible is God's word - it is not like any other book. You will receive its enormous rewards only as you pray for God's guidance while you study.

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8. You will come face to face with Jesus Christ in a most startling manner. You will see Him in a new and wonderful light. Remember, this book is the Revelation of Jesus Christ.

9. Studying Revelation can lead you to the most momentous decisions of your life. You will become excited and overjoyed.

10. By exploring the treasure in God's vast storehouse of valuable information and as your understanding of Revelation expands *your whole life* will take on new meaning. You will say: "**NOW I understand the Book of Revelation**".

# 5 steps to Revelation's message

*Revelation 1:1-5*

**God** gave the message  
to His Son Jesus Christ.

**Jesus** gave the message  
to a messenger Angel

**The angel** gave the message  
to John

**John** wrote the message  
in a book

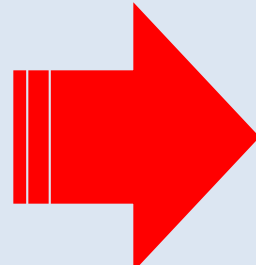
**John sent the message to the 7 churches in Asia**



# Understanding Revelation's message

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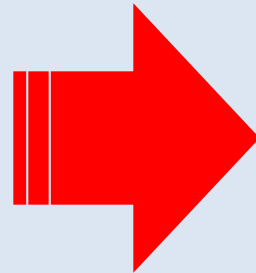
**God** will bless  
those who...???



*Revelation 1:3*

**"Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand."**

Whom did **Jesus**  
say the scriptures  
reveal?



*John 5:9*

**"Search the scriptures for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me."**

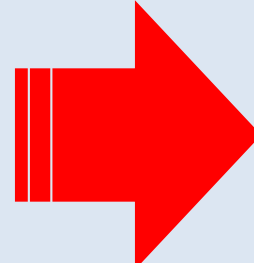




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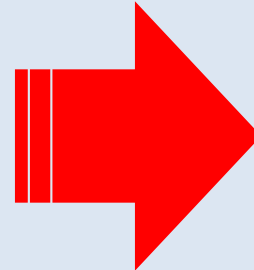
What method did **Jesus** use?



*Luke 24:7*

**"...And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, He expounded unto them in all the scriptures concerning Himself."**

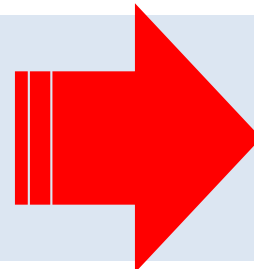
Why did **God** reveal His message?



*Revelation 1:1*

**"...to shew unto His servants things which must shortly come to pass..."**

How did **God** communicate His message?



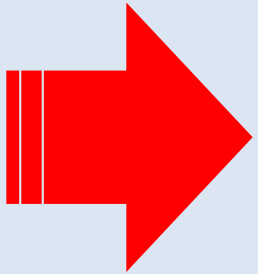
*Revelation 1:1*

**"...and signified it by His angel unto his servant John."**

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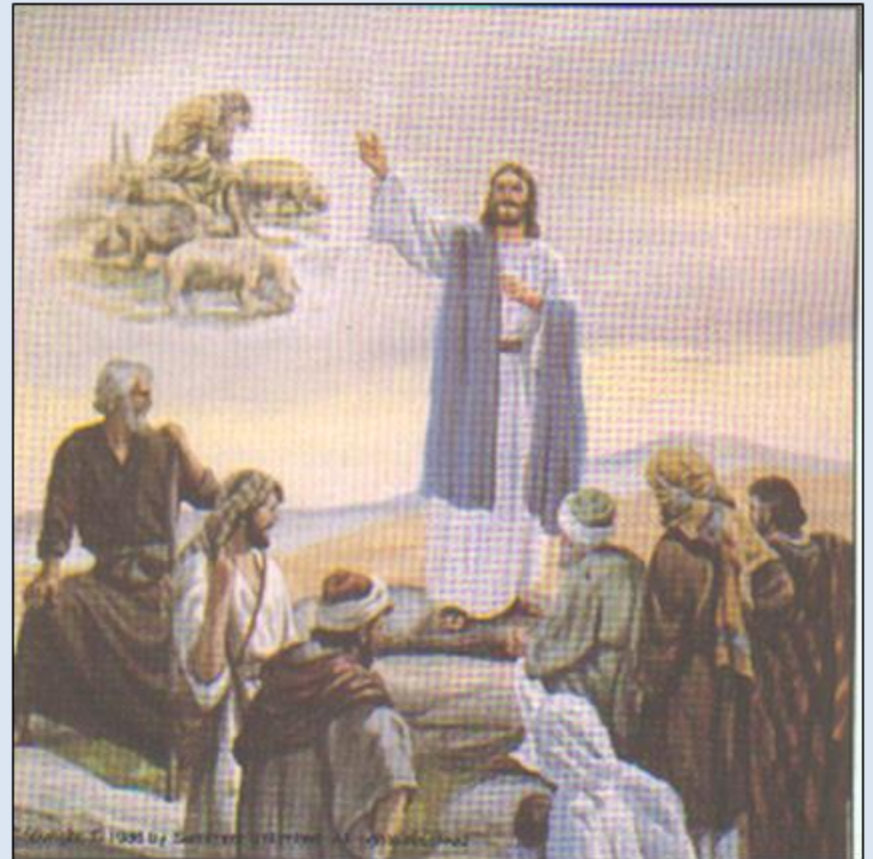
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Why did **Jesus** speak in parables?



*Luke 8:10*

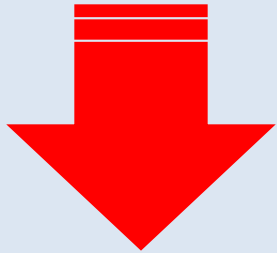
**“That seeing they might not see and hearing they might not understand.”**



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Can we understand the symbols of Bible prophecy?



**YES!**

**"BEAST" = Kingdom**

*Daniel 7:23*

**"WATER" = Peoples,  
multitudes, nations and  
tongues**

*Rev 17:15*

**"DAY" = Year**

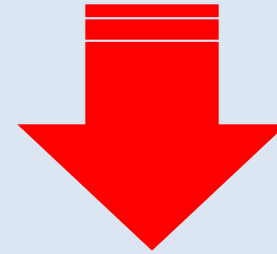
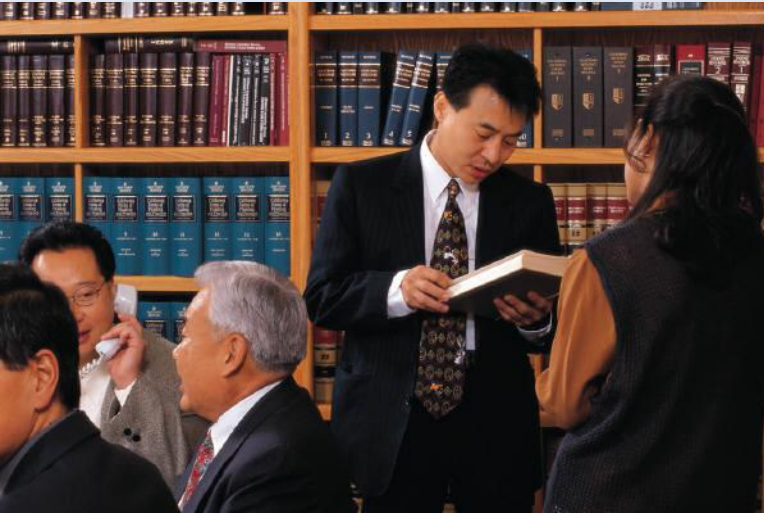
*Eze 4:6 / Num 14:34*



# Authority of Bible Prophecy

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How reliable is Bible prophecy?



*2 Peter 1:19*

**"We have a more **sure word** of prophecy."**

Does God really warn against private interpretations?

*Rev 22: 18-19*

**YES!**

*2 Peter 1:20*

**We are **not to add** unto **or take away from** the words of this prophecy.**

**"No prophecy of the scripture is of any **private** interpretation."**



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Why do some people claim the Bible can't be understood?



Read  
*Isaiah 29:10 - 14*

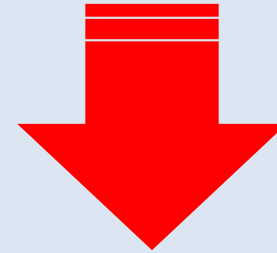
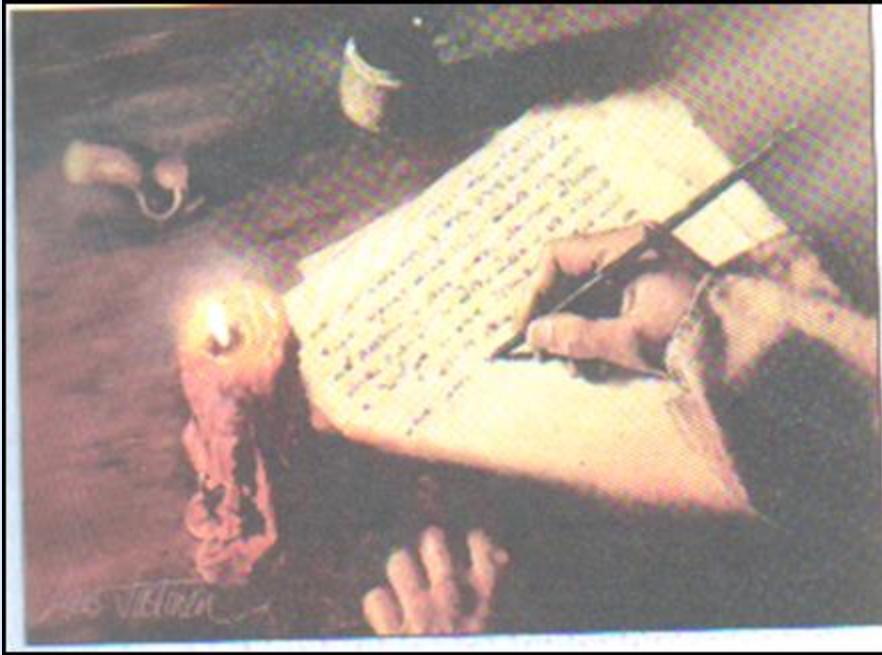
**Satan's strategy is to claim Revelation cannot be understood because it is a sealed book or because we are not learned.**



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How much of the Bible is inspired?



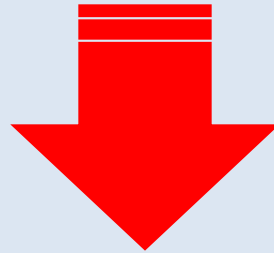
*2 Timothy 3:16*

**“All scripture is given by the inspiration of God (and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof , for correction, for instruction in righteousness ...)”**

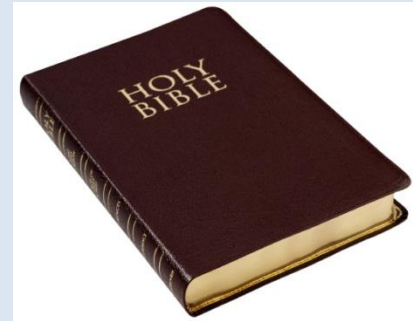
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What can happen if we twist the scriptures?



*2 Peter 3:16*



**"As also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as they do also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction."**

# **Keys to Understanding Bible Prophecy**

*1 Cor 2:14*      **I must have spiritual discernment.**

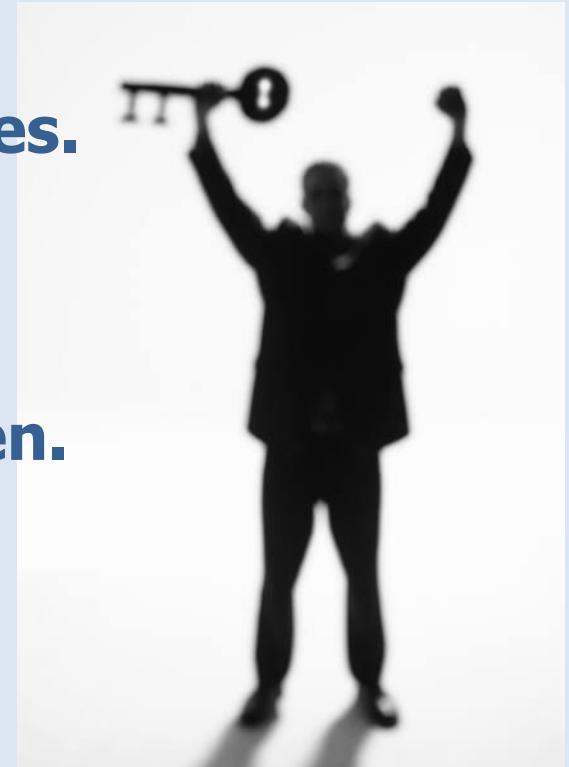
*Rev 21:6*      **I must thirst for truth.**

*2 Tim 2:15*      **I must study the scriptures.**

*Acts 17:11*      **I must test all beliefs.**

*Rev 1:3*      **I must keep things written.**

*John 7:17*      **I must do His will.**





# **Keys to Understanding Bible Prophecy**

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- ✓ **To clearly understand, I must have spiritual insight which is given to those who love and serve God.**
- ✓ **And I must be willing to do God's will as it becomes clear to me.**
- ✓ **To disobey God's truth after it is revealed is dangerous.**



# The Bible Prophecy Challenge

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What promise is given to those people who obey?



*Revelation 3:10*

**"Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, *I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation* which shall come upon the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth."**

*Revelation 22:14*

**"Blessed are they that do His commandments that *they may have right to the tree of life*, and may enter in through the gates into the city."**

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**Are you willing to  
obey as God reveals  
His truth?**

