

# Christ Fellowship

## God's Design in the Greek Scriptures: Revelation

### The Heavenly Interlude

Series: The Life of Christ  
The 2<sup>nd</sup> Advent of Jesus  
Lesson 47  
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#### **7 Beatitudes of The Revelation**

Seven blessings are mentioned in this magnificent message of hope (Rev 1.3; 14.13; 16.15; 19.9; 20.6; 22.7; 22.14)! The Book of the Revelation commences with a blessing (Rev 1:3) and concludes with a blessing (Rev 22:7). Contrary to popular thought in many circles, Revelation is not a book to be feared, but one to be read and studied and treasured for its great spiritual strength. It's also worth noting that 5 of the blessings come from "heavenly lips."

- 3) The third angel: announcement of the beast worshippers' doom, 14.9-13
  - a) Worshippers of the beast judged, 14.9-11
    - (A) Their identity, 14.9  
Jesus mentions the judgment of "hell" 11 of its 12 uses: Mt5.22, 29, 30; Mt10.28; Mt18.9; Mt23.15, 33; Mk9.43, 45, 47; Lk12.5.
    - (B) Their judgment, 14.10-11
      - (1) Its severity, 14.10

(2) Its duration, 14.11

#### Israel's Regathering

It is for this time of horror, little as they realize it, that the Jews from eastern and southern Europe are now returning in large numbers to their ancient home. They are going back that their fore-fathers' awful prayer may be fully answered, "His blood be upon us and upon our children." Poor misguided people—the nation of the wandering foot—they fancy that at last a refuge is being provided for them where they will be safe from persecution and secure from danger; but they are really preparing unwittingly for the wine-press of the wrath of God, from which blood shall flow to the horses' bridles for one thousand six hundred furlongs—the whole actual length of Palestine (Rev. 14:18 to 20).

Henry Allan Ironside, Lectures on Daniel the Prophet., 2d ed. (New York: Loizeaux Bros., 1953), 216.

- b) Worshippers of God blessed, 14.12-13
  - (A) Perseverance of the saints, 14.12
  - (B) Death of the saints, 14.13

#### The Book of Blessings: Revelation

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