

# The Book Not From THIS Planet – Introduction

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### **The book, not from this planet.**

We're studying the book of Revelation, which is the most, as you see on your slides, the book, that's not from this planet. What I mean by that is that God, gives us the book of Revelation, much like a movie that pulls together, all the individual prophetic scenes that are in all the rest of the Bible. Just as said in the Pentateuch in Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy: that God was going to send His son; He was going to crush Satan; that God's chosen people of promise would suffer. That is played out in the book of Revelation and in Job where we see the conflict between Satan and the people of God, that is limited by God. That is just another scene that we see where it fits in the book of Revelation.

The book of Revelation is like the full-length movie where God connects together all these individual pieces, that sometimes are hard to understand individually, like what's going on in Job, what's going on in the Psalms. Psalm Two says that Jesus is going to rule the nations with a rod of iron. And then we see Him feeding people and being hounded, and finally crucified. And that never happens but it does happen in Revelation and all these individual pieces and all those huge prophetic pieces that are in Isaiah and Jeremiah and Ezekiel and the minor prophets. And then Jesus himself telling us in His Olivette discourse, all of His prophetic sermons about the future. Where does that fit in the gospels? It doesn't clearly show us, but again, in the book of Revelation, every one of these individual scenes that are recorded flawlessly, under the inspiration of God are connected together.

So, we can say the book of Revelation is a book, not from this planet. The book of Revelation is the most well-known, the most unique, and the most neglected book of the Bible. It's also the most vital.

This book is primarily a book revealing Jesus Christ and that's the goal of this course. Not to fully examine all these pieces, those are all parts of other courses, but to see where they fit is our goal. Most of all, to reveal Jesus Christ.

### **Revelation connects, completes, and applies all the rest of the Bible.**

All of the rest of the Bible is connected, completed and applied.

We could put it this way, that the outline of the scriptures has shown us by the three parts of the sermon that Paul gives. In fact, in Acts chapter 17, the apostle Paul shares the gospel in three parts:

- He talks about the creator;
- He talks about the Redeemer;

- and then He says that He's coming back as the Judge.

And as you see Genesis One and Two describes the Creator. And then, from Genesis Three and the fall of man, all the way through Revelation Five, we see Him as Redeemer. And then in Revelation, Six to 22. He comes back as the judge, as described in the Psalms, as beautifully illustrated in the prophets. Jesus baffled His opponents and the gospels saying that there was coming a day when they would see the Son of Man coming on the clouds. And all judgment was given to him. Then of course, everything that the apostle Paul, Peter, and James said about Jesus as the judge.

Well, what do these three parts of Acts 17 tell us?

**That the creator means, we're designed by him...which tells us about our origin, which basically is how did I get here?**

Did you know, everyone kind of in the back of their mind wonders about this:

- they wonder about where they came from.;
- they wonder why they're here;
- what's the purpose of life, and that only is revealed when we meet our Redeemer.

Jesus said He bought us for himself, that we could be His creations and then our destiny. People want to know where they came from, why they're here? How's all this going to end? Our destiny is that we're answering to someone for our lives and He is the judge.

Let's begin this course by reading Revelation and, in your personal copy, whatever form of a copy of the word of God you have, open to those. In Revelation, Chapter One, we're going to read the first eight verses, and then we're going to pray and ask God to bless this course revealing Christ, that He would use this course in our reading to connect together all of these pieces that make this movie that's so visual in Revelation, but most of all, to reveal Jesus Christ to us.