

## Last Words - Malachi 4

**Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away. - Matthew 24:35**

**A. The Last Day (4:1-3)**

**1. For the wicked (4:1)**

**2. For the righteous (4:2-3)**

**B. The Last Command (4:4)**

**C. The Last Witness (4:5-6)**

**John The Baptist or Elijah himself?**

**Matthew 17:10-13, Matthew 10:34-37**

**Revelation 11**

**We have to choose**

# Amazing Grace

Amazing grace!

How sweet the sound

That saved a wretch like me.

I once was lost but now am found,

Was blind but now I see.

‘Twas grace that taught

My heart to fear;

And grace my fears relieved;

How precious did that grace appear

The hour I first believed.

The Lord has promised good to me

His word my hope secures;

He will my shield and portion be

As long as life endures.

Through many dangers,  
Toils and snares,  
I have already come;  
‘Tis grace hath brought me  
Safe thus far;  
And grace will lead me home.

When we've been there  
Ten thousand years,  
Bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days  
To sing God's praise  
Than when we'd first begun.

# The Vision of John

## Revelation 1

**Those Who Walk With God Get God's Special  
Blessing**

## I. Introduction (1:1-3)

### Revelation 1:1-3

**1 The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John:**

**2 Who bare record of the word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and of all things that he saw.**

**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.**

# **I. Introduction (1:1-3)**

## **A. The Nature of the Book (1:1-2)**

- 1. The Title, origin, subject, object, transmission, and author (v 1)**
- 2. Threefold authenticity (v 2)**

## **B. The Purpose of the Book (1:3)**

- 1. We must read**
- 2. We must hear**
- 3. We must keep those things written**
- 4. The time is at hand**

## I. Introduction (1:1-3)

1 Peter 1:13

**Wherfore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and  
hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto  
you at the revelation of Jesus Christ;**

## **II. The Salutation of Revelation (1:4-6)**

### **Revelation 1:4-6**

**4 John to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace  
be unto you, and peace, from him which is, and which  
was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits  
which are before his throne;**

**5 And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness,  
and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the  
kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed  
us from our sins in his own blood,**

**6 And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his  
Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and  
ever. Amen.**

## **II. The Salutation of Revelation (1:4-6)**

- A. To the seven churches (v 4)**
- B. From John (v 4)**
- C. From God the Father (v 4)**
- D. From the seven spirits (v 4)**
- E. From Christ based on His Character (vv 5-6)**

**2 Peter 1:2**

**Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord,**

**1 Peter 5:10**

**But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, establish, strengthen, settle you.**

### **III. The Theme of Revelation (1:7)**

#### **Revelation 1:7**

**Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.**

#### **Acts 1:8-9**

**8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.**

**9 And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight.**

### **III. The Theme of Revelation (1:7)**

**Zechariah 12:10**

**And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn.**

**2 Peter 3:11-12**

**11 Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness,**

**12 Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?**

## **IV. The Eternal Nature of the Revelator - Christ (1:8)**

### **Revelation 1:8**

**I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending,  
saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is  
to come, the Almighty.**

**Phrase Christ uses in this book to refer to Himself  
Phrase used to describe God the Father**

## V. The Circumstances of Writing of Revelation (1:9-11)

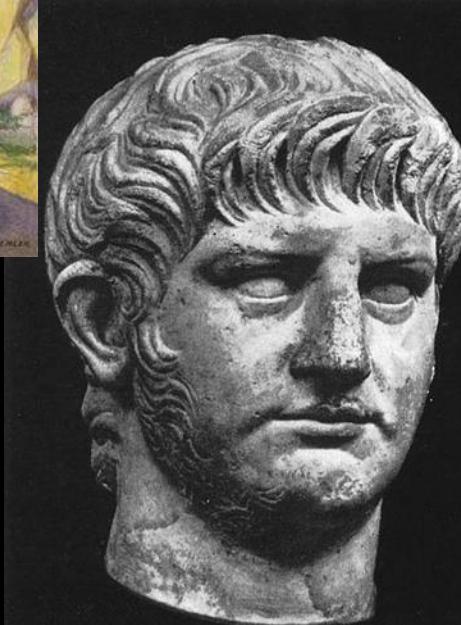
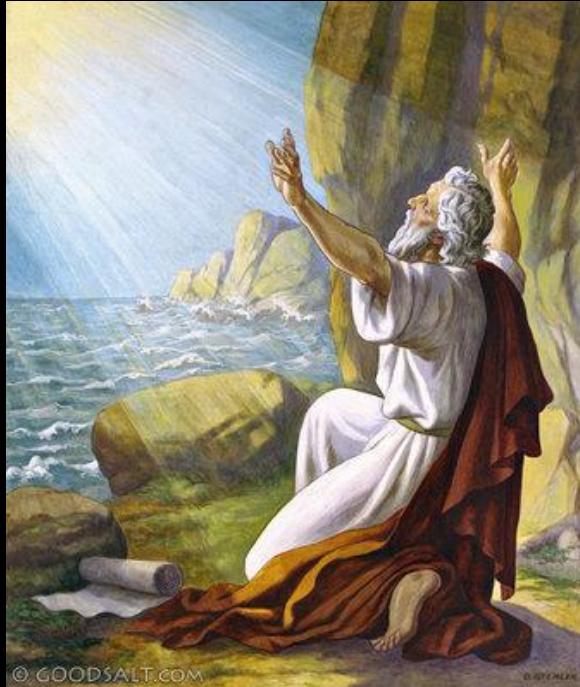
### Revelation 1:9-11

**9 I John, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.**  
**10 I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet,**  
**11 Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea.**

# V. The Circumstances of Writing of Revelation (1:9-11)

## A. The Author and His Exile (v 9)

## B. The Inspiration by the Spirit (v 10)



## V. The Circumstances of Writing of Revelation (1:9-11)

### C. The Commission of Christ (v 11)



## VI. The First Vision of Revelation (1:12-16)

### Revelation 1:12-16

**12 And I turned to see the voice that spake with me.**  
**And being turned, I saw seven golden candlesticks;**  
**13 And in the midst of the seven candlesticks one like**  
**unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to**  
**the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle.**  
**14 His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white**  
**as snow; and his eyes were as a flame of fire;**  
**15 And his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in**  
**a furnace; and his voice as the sound of many waters.**  
**16 And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of**  
**his mouth went a sharp twoedged sword: and his**  
**countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength.**

## VI. The First Vision of Revelation (1:12-16)

- A. Seven golden candlesticks (12)
- B. The Son of Man (13-16) - Characteristics of Christ



## **VI. The First Vision of Revelation (1:12-16)**

**Daniel 7:8-9**

**9 I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire.**

**10 A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened.**

## VII. Reaction and Response (1:17-19)

### Revelation 1:17-19

**17 And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not; I am the first and the last:**

**18 I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.**

**19 Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things which are, and the things which shall be hereafter;**

## **VI. The First Vision of Revelation (1:12-16)**

### **A. The Reaction of John (1:17a)**

- 1. Worship and Respect**
- 2. Reaction does not change throughout the book**

### **B. The Response and Requirement of Christ (1:17b-19)**

- 1. Christ's Compassion - Fear not (v 17b)**
- 2. Christ's Authority - (v 18)**
- 3. Christ's Command (v 19) - Write**

### **Three Major Divisions of the Book**

- a. The Things Seen (1:9-20)**
- b. The Things Which Are (Chapters 2-3)**
- c. The Things Which Shall Be Hereafter (Chapters 4-22)**

## VII. The Interpretation of the First Vision (1:20)

### Revelation 1:20

**The mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches: and the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches.**

- A. Seven stars - Messengers (Pastors) of the Seven Churches
- B. Seven golden candlesticks - Seven Churches
- C. The position of the pastors - In Christ's Right Hand
- D. The position of the churches - Christ in the midst



# Is Your All On The Altar

You have longed for sweet peace,  
And for faith to increase,  
And have earnestly, fervently prayed;  
But you cannot have rest,  
Or be perfectly blest,  
Until all on the altar is laid.

Is your all on the altar of sacrifice laid?  
Your heart does the Spirit control?  
  
    You can only be blest,  
    And have peace and sweet rest,  
As you yield Him your body and soul.

Would you walk with the Lord,  
In the light of His word,

And have peace and contentment alway?

You must do His sweet will,  
To be free from all ill,

On the altar your all you must lay.

Is your all on the altar of sacrifice laid?  
Your heart does the Spirit control?  
  
    You can only be blest,  
    And have peace and sweet rest,  
As you yield Him your body and soul.

Oh, we never can know  
What the Lord will bestow  
Of the blessings for which we have prayed,  
Till our body and soul  
He doth fully control,  
And our all on the altar is laid.

Is your all on the altar of sacrifice laid?  
Your heart does the Spirit control?  
  
    You can only be blest,  
    And have peace and sweet rest,  
As you yield Him your body and soul.

Who can tell all the love  
He will send from above,  
And how happy our hearts will be made;  
    Of the fellowship sweet  
We shall share at His feet,  
When our all on the altar is laid.

Is your all on the altar of sacrifice laid?  
Your heart does the Spirit control?  
  
    You can only be blest,  
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As you yield Him your body and soul.

