Wednesday May 13, 2015 Bible Study – "Hear the Words of this Prophecy"

We began studying the Book of Revelation on Sunday Morning, August 4 2013, and this series this evening, just over a year and nine months and 243 sessions later, with a study of Revelation 22:14-21.

Review the Timeline emphasizing the Hypostatic Union, Church Age, Tribulation and Millennium.

Note the Timeline with expanded view of the Tribulation and the JSC and Marriage of the Lamb.

OUTLINE OF REVELATION

Passages in the Greek, Related to Jesus Christ as the Alpha and Omega:

Revelation 1:8 – Jesus Christ is the Alpha, the Omega, and the Totality of our lives. Revelation 21:6 – He is the One Who Is, the One Who Was, and the One to Come Revelation 22:13 – He is the PROTOS / ESCHETOS; the Beginning and the End

RULES OF CONCLUSION RELATIVE TO "I am the ALPHA and the Omega"

- I. From Alpha Glory, Jesus Christ is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.
- II. The Jews have certain privileges related to their founding as a race, since they are the last pure race of history.
- III. As to Alpha and the Omega, Jesus Christ is the key to understanding Israel.
- IV. Jesus Christ is Alpha Glory as the future ruler of Israel. He was born the ruler of Israel, since He was born the Son of David.
- V. Jesus Christ was born into the Royal Family as royalty from His Omega Glory. He is the ruler of Israel.
- VI. The royal monopoly that He received at the right hand of the Father guarantees that He is the ruler of the world. The virgin birth made Him the ruler of the Jews. His ascension and session made Him the ruler of the Gentiles; virgin birth is the second royal monopoly. The ascension is the 3rd, and these two will be claimed at His 2nd Advent. When Jesus Christ comes back to the earth, He will re-gather Israel under His second monopoly, and He will rule all gentiles under His 3rd. To do so, Satan will be superseded.
- VII. The Jewish race then was founded on recognition of the Omega Glory of Christ; for Abraham, Isaac and Jacob were all believers in the Lord Jesus Christ.
- VIII. They were "born again" through faith in Jesus Christ (God, Savior and King).

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- IX. Moses, the founder of the client nation, perpetuated the Alpha/Omega concept (Deut. 6:4, 5).
- X. There are neither Jews nor Gentiles in the Royal Family (the testimony of Moses in Deut. 6:4-7 and Paul in Romans 9:1-6).

Revelation 22:14-21

John, under the Spirit's inspiration in writing this book in 96AD, punched the time clock, and it is ticking off the days: Church Age, Rapture, Tribulation, 2nd Advent, Millennium, and the Last Judgment.

He sees and describes the unbeliever in 6 different ways in Rev. 22: 15 – dogs, sorcerers (*pharmakos* – $\pi\eta\alpha\rho\mu\alpha\kappa\delta\varsigma$), fornicators, murderers, idolaters and liars.

In Revelation 22:16, Jesus Christ is identified by an interpreting angel as the *"root"*. Jesus Christ is the branch, designating humanity. *"Bright and morning star"* means that Jesus Christ is light in darkness. He is *THE SOLUTION TO MAN'S PROBLEMS*. It is not *REFORM*, but *REGENERATION*.

In Revelation 22:17, we have a FOUR FOLD INVITATION to the human race:

- 1. Spirit
- 2. Bride
- 3. The ones hearing (144,000 believers); Saints of the Tribulation
- 4. "Whosoever will", anyone perceptive at the time of God consciousness and Gospel hearing.

Revelation 22:18, 19 – Judgment for those who tamper with God's Word.

Revelation 22:20 – John is ready: "Even so come, Lord Jesus."

Revelation 22:21 – GOD'S ENTIRE PLAN IS BASED UPON HIS GRACE:

COMMON GRACE	LIVING GRACE
SAVING GRACE	SURPASSING GRACE