

## Wednesday Bible Study – July 30, 2014 "God is Everything" – (Revelation 3:8)

Read Revelation 3:7-13

Note Verse 8: *"I know your works, behold, I have set before you a door having been opened which no one can shut; because you have a little power, and you did keep my word, and did not deny my name."*

Note the 7 verbs of this verse; we focus on the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> ones.

1. οἶδα - Pf.AI 1st p.s. of οἶδα
  2. δέδωκα - Pf.AI 1st p.s. of δίδωμι
  3. ἤνεωγμένην - PfPP acc.f.s. of ἀνοίγω
  4. δύναται - PPI 3rd p.s. of δύναμαι
  5. κλεισαι - AAInf of κλείω
  6. ἐτήρησαι - AAI 2nd p.s. of τηρέω
  7. ἤρνήσω - AMI 2nd p.s. of ἀρνέομαι
- 6<sup>th</sup> Verb – ETERESAI – Did Keep  
7<sup>th</sup> Verb – OUK ERNESO – Did Not Deny

Note the Essence of God, with His divine attributes:

Sovereignty Righteousness, Justice, Love, Eternal Life, Omnipotence, Omniscience, Omnipresence, Immutability, and Voracity.

GOD IS EVERYTHING AND KNOWS EVERYTHING

HE "knows the secrets of the heart" Psalm 44:21

His "eyes are in every place" Proverbs 15:3

His "understanding is infinite" Psalm 147:5

"O Lord, you have searched me and known me. You know..." Psalm 139:1-4

The New Testament reemphasizes this truth: "God is greater than our heart, and knows all things" (1 J 3:20)

Revelation 3:8 emphasizes that He knows the past, present and the future as well (Acts 15:18...)

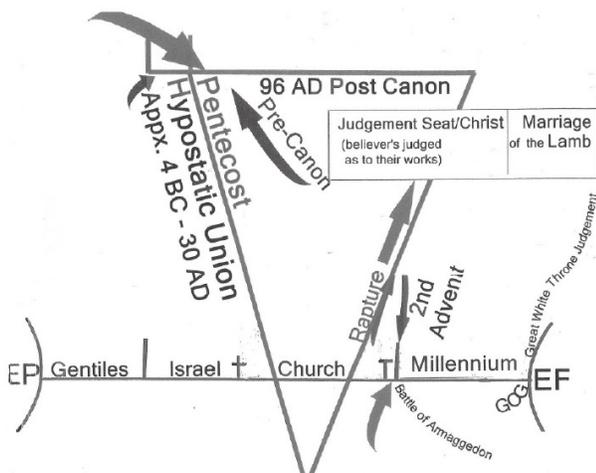
REGENERATION – CHANGE of NATURE

JUSTIFICATION – CHANGE of STANDING

SANCTIFICATION – CHANGE in CHARACTER

ADOPTION – CHANGE in POSITION

Biblical Time Line:



Ezekiel 38-39 contains info on the Gog and Magog revolution at the end of the Millennium.

The 7 year tribulation will be a terrible time for people on this earth, when the restraining ministry of the Holy Spirit will be removed (after the Marriage of the Lamb) this begins the tribulation.

The first fall of Satan occurred in the eternal ages past; the second fall of Satan occurs in the middle of the tribulation, and the 3<sup>rd</sup> fall of Satan occurs after the Great White Throne Judgment at the end of the Millennium.

## Revelation 3:8 (Notes)

- I. The Jewish antagonists would eventually have to acknowledge that the Christians were the true followers of God (Rev. 2:9 – GWT Judgment of Unbelievers) Isa. 60:14; Rom 14:11; Phil 2:10,11).
- II. We (Ch. Age Believers) are promised not to go through the Tribulation. (Rev.6-19)
  - NOT preserved through it (Post-Tribulation Concept)
  - NOT removed during it (Mid-Tribulation Concept)
  - BUT REMOVED FROM IT (Pre-Tribulation Concept)
  - Verses on Pre-Tribulation Rapture:  
I Corinthians 15:51, 52; I Thessalonians 1:10; 4:16, 17; 5:9; John 14:3.
- III. The Lord promised to come quickly:
  - Rev.1:1; 7; 2:16; 22:7; 22:12; 22:21; 2 Pet.3:8.
  - The Rapture precedes the 70<sup>th</sup> wk. of Daniel (the Tribulation period).
- IV. God promised to make over-comers PILLARS in the *Spiritual temple of God* – the New Jerusalem (Revelation 21:22; Galatians 2:9; I Corinthians 3:16-17; 2 Corinthians 6:16; Ephesians 2:19-22; I Peter 2:4.
- V. Jesus Christ will identify with His Faithful People (Rev. 2:17; 14:1; 19:12 – A name signed – document – approval – ownership (illustrations: School, marriage, mortgage money borrowed, etc.)

Look again at the expanded time line diagram above. Note the Millennium is “book-cased” between two great wars: The battle of Armageddon and the Gog/Magog revolution.

## LAST JUDGMENT (Great White Throne – GWT)

- I. People who don't face God's justice in time will receive divine justice in eternity – 2<sup>nd</sup> death – GWT Judgment – John 15:22
  1. The Last Judgment is the alternative to salvation.
  2. God is perfect in righteousness and justice.
  3. He found a way in time to keep from compromising these two characteristics.
  4. Christ did this in Propitiation.
- II. The human race – two categories:
  1. BELIEVER – Perceptive, who has accepted the LJC, the Good news of the Gospel (John 3:18) *“He that believeth is not condemned”*
  2. UNBELIEVER – Negative, Non-perceptive, One who has rejected Jesus Christ – Eternal condemnation – John 3:36 *“He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life, but everlasting judgment abides on him.”*
- III. In the last Judgment the unbeliever is under indictment based on rejection of Jesus Christ as savior. John 16:9 – *“of sin because they believe not on me”*. Rev. 20:15 – *“Whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the Lake of Fire.”*
- IV. No believer is involved in the Last Judgment – Romans 8:1
- V. The unbeliever has two appointments with God
  1. Death
  2. Last judgment – Hebrews 9:27, 28
- VI. The second appointment is kept by a 2<sup>nd</sup> Resurrection (John 5:24-29; Daniel 12:2). God takes all unbelievers and resurrects them at the end of time – after the Gog revolution – for the Great White Throne Judgment.
- VII. The resurrected unbeliever is condemned on the basis of his human good (works of the flesh) not sin (Revelation 20:12, 13)
- VIII. The Eternal State of the lost is the Lake of Fire forever – Matthew 25:41 *“Then he shall say unto them on the left hand, depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels.”* Revelation 20:14, 15.