

Revelation

Chapters 1-11

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Dedication

This work is dedicated with deep affection to my wife Kim, who is not just my better half but is also my greatest love and greatest supporter. And to Larry and Sandi Jubb, who are the finest friends I have in this world.

Preface

In the history of Christian studies, there have been many works on the book of Revelation, especially in the last century. The writer's hope is that this is not a wearisome addition to these great works, but rather a beneficial verse by verse exposition for the average church member. The goal is that all who read this work will then read the book of Revelation anew with greater joy and blessing. All mysteries will not be explained in this work, nor are all the details by any means understood by this writer. But inasmuch as Paul said "All Scripture is inspired by God and is profitable" (2 Timothy 3:16-NASB), and that we grow by studying the whole council of God (Acts 20:27-KJV), this book is an attempt to give basic guidance in opening Revelation, a book too long closed to the saints of God.

There are no footnotes in the commentary, but in place of footnotes – footnotes the writer finds we saints often neglect – there will be Bible verses that will allow the reader to compare Scripture with Scripture and thus be like the Bereans of Acts 17:11. The author strongly urges the reader to look up all Bible references he/she is not acquainted with because it will be those cross-references that will shed light on the difficult expressions of Revelation, as well as enable us to become more familiar with God's infallible Word.

Prayerfully follow 2 Timothy 2:7, "Consider...for the Lord will give you understanding", and 2 Timothy 2:15, "Study to show thyself approved".

May the Lord bless to His eternal glory.

In Christ, Daniel Thompson