

## A VISION FROM GOD

Revelation 1:1-20

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**TRACK 1: Are new to the Bible, or do you have limited time available? If so, this track is for you! Each week, we'll provide key verses centered around the main points of the sermon. Follow the steps below:**

1. Keep the weekly Scripture passage handy (printed or handwritten).
2. Read it often, asking God to help you understand and show you things about your own life.
3. Set aside one time during the week to write your insights in a journal. Use the tips below.

### Journaling Tips:

- What does this say about Jesus? About His character, or how to follow Him?
- Are there any words of encouragement? Words of warning and conviction?
- What eternal truths or principles do I find in these verses?
- What is the Holy Spirit trying to teach me through these verses? What changes do I need to make in my life to act on what I am learning?

### Revelation 1:1-3

“The revelation from Jesus Christ, which God gave him to show his servants what must soon take place. He made it known by sending his angel to his servant John, <sup>2</sup> who testifies to everything he saw—that is, the word of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ. <sup>3</sup> Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear it and take to heart what is written in it, because the time is near.”

### Revelation 1:9-19

<sup>9</sup> I, John, your brother and companion in the suffering and kingdom and patient endurance that are ours in Jesus, was on the island of Patmos because of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. <sup>10</sup> On the Lord's Day I was in the Spirit, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet, <sup>11</sup> which said: “Write on a scroll what you see and send it to the seven churches: to Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia and Laodicea.”

<sup>12</sup> I turned around to see the voice that was speaking to me. And when I turned I saw seven golden lampstands, <sup>13</sup> and among the lampstands was someone like a son of man, <sup>[a]</sup> dressed in a robe reaching down to his feet and with a golden sash around his chest. <sup>14</sup> The hair on his head was white like wool, as white as snow, and his eyes were like blazing fire. <sup>15</sup> His feet were like bronze glowing in a furnace, and his voice was like the sound of rushing waters. <sup>16</sup> In his right hand he held seven stars, and coming out of his mouth was a sharp, double-edged sword. His face was like the sun shining in all its brilliance. <sup>17</sup> When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. Then he placed his right hand on me and said: “Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last. <sup>18</sup> I am the Living One; I was dead, and now look, I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades.

<sup>19</sup> “Write, therefore, what you have seen, what is now and what will take place later.