

Studying Revelation

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Studying Revelation: Outline

- ◆ **A. Organization of the course**
- ◆ **B. Bibliography**
- ◆ **C. How to approach Revelation**

A. Organization of the Course

- ◆ **Purpose: understand and appreciate Revelation**
- ◆ **Strategy: focus on themes and issues**
 - **Counterfeiting (13:1-18)**
 - **Structure**
 - **Hermeneutical issues**
 - **Theophany (1:9-20)**
 - **Millennium (20:1-10)**
 - **Consummation (21:1-22:5)**

Assignments

- ◆ **General Epistles has its own assignments**
- ◆ **Reading**
 - **Revelation in translation**
 - **A few pages in various introductions**
- ◆ **A biblical-theological paper on 2-4 verses**

Biblical-Theological Paper

- ◆ **The paper is due in my box at 5:00 p.m., Nov. 3, 2006.**
- ◆ **Late papers will be accepted but penalized.**
- ◆ **Plan ahead, because the due date is shortly after midterms.**

Office Hours

- ◆ **Tuesday, 3:05-4:00**
- ◆ **Wednesday, 3:05-4:00**

**There is a sign-up sheet on my door,
but you need not use it**

B. Bibliography

- ◆ **Beale**
- ◆ **Beasley-Murray**
- ◆ **Caird**
- ◆ **Morris**
- ◆ **Mounce**
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- ◆ **Modernist, but creative**
- ◆ **Good**
- ◆ **Good**
- ◆ **Semipopular**
- ◆ **Very popular**
- ◆ **Semipopular**

Topics in Bibliography

- ◆ **1. Commentaries**
- ◆ **2. Apocalyptic**
- ◆ **3. Hermeneutical issues**
- ◆ **4. The millennium**

C. How to Approach Revelation

- ◆ Vision of God's victory
- ◆ Summarized by 1 John 5:4-5; Rev. 17:14; Rev. 12:10.
- ◆ God rules history, and will bring it to its consummation in Christ.
- ◆ You can understand.
- ◆ Sing it.



Encouraging!

The Syllabus

- ◆ The syllabus, The Book of Revelation: A Guide for Understanding, is sold at the Campus Bookstore.
- ◆ It contains almost all the visual materials shown on screen.
- ◆ In class, listen and take notes without referring to the syllabus.

Song from Rev. 19:6-7

Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. (2X)

Let us rejoice and be glad and give the glory unto him.

Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns.

Song from Rev. 4:11

Thou art worthy, Thou art worthy,
Thou art worthy, O Lord.

Thou art worthy to receive glory,
glory, and honor, and power.

For Thou hast created--
hast all things created,
For Thou hast created all things.

And for Thy pleasure they are created;
Thou art worthy, O Lord.

Song from Rev. 5:9-14

Thou art worthy, Thou art worthy,
Thou art worthy, O Lamb.

Thou art worthy To receive glory
And power at the Father's right hand.

For Thou hast redeemed us,
Hast ransomed and cleansed us,
By thy blood setting us free;

In white robes arrayed us, Kings and priests
made us, And we are reigning in Thee.