

NEW TESTAMENT SURVEY

Lesson 39 – The Apocalypse (part 1)

Reading:

Revelation 1-7

A. Best we can tell about the Book of Revelation:

- 1) When it was written?
- 2) Who was the audience?
- 3) What are the overall themes?

B. Summarize the following interpretive views of Revelation (hint: search Google with "four views of Revelation").

- 1) "Preterist" or "A.D. 70 Doctrine"
 - a. Full Preterism
 - b. Partial Preterism
- 2) "Historicist", "Historicism"
 - a. "Historical-Background" (early victory over Rome & paganism)
 - b. "Continuous-Historical" (later victory over Rome & Catholicism)
- 3) "Futurist" or "Literalist"
- 4) "Idealist", "Spiritual", or "Philosophy of History"

C. Which views better fit Rev. 1:1-3, 9-11 and Rev. 22:6-7, 12, 20.

D. What can you find regarding the Emperor Domitian and alleged persecutions during his reign?

E. Outline the reading assignment.

F. Describe the person John saw in Chapter 1.

G. For the seven churches in Chapter 2-3:

- 1) Contrast their spiritual condition
- 2) Compare the promises given to the faithful

H. Summarize the events in Chapter 4-5.

I. Summarize the events in Chapter 6-7.