

OUR GREAT PRIVILEGES!

REVELATION 1:4-6

(Intro) For the last two weeks we looked at the first three verses of the book of Revelation. We talked about three things.

1. The significance of the book. Vs. 1
 - A) It unveils the person of Christ. Vs. 1a
 - B) It unveils the purpose of God. Vs. 1b

 2. The signature of the book. Vs. 1c-2
 - A) The marvelous way John received the book. Vs. 1c
 - B) The meticulous John recorded the book. Vs. 2

 3. The singularity of the book. Vs. 3
 - A) It embodies a special promise.
(Blessed are those who hear, read, and observe.)
 - B) It embraces a special period.
(Time is at hand.)
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I. OUR GREAT PROMISE. Vs. 4a

Verse 4 begins by making it clear who John was writing this book to: The seven Churches that are in Asia.

- A) The church of Ephesus. 2:1-7
- B) The church of Smyrna. 2:8-11
- C) The church of Pergmos. 2:12-17
- D) The church of Thyatira. 2:18-29
- E) The church of Sardis. 3:1-6
- F) The church of Philadelphia. 3:7-13
- G) The church of Laodicea. 3:14-22

But notice what John said to those of us that are part of the Church. (Born again believers.)

- 1.

Ephesians 2:8

2.

John 14:27

Isaiah 26:3

II. OUR GREAT PROPHET. Vs. 4b-5a

1.

Which is (Present), Which was (Past), Which is to come (Prophetic.)
Revelation 1:8, 11, 21:6, 22:13

- A) He is the Lord of the past.
- B) He is the Lord of the present.
- C) He is Lord of prophecy.

2.

- A) He is the faithful witness. (Truth)

John 14:6

- B) He is the first begotten of the dead.

Revelation 1:18

- C) He is the final king. (Prince and king of the earth.)

Romans 14:11

III. OUR GREAT POSITION. Vs. 5b-6a

1.

John 15:13 {Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.}

2.

3.

Psalms 51:7

4.

5.

IV. OUR GREAT PRAISE. Vs. 6b

1.

John 4:23-24

2.

3.

Luke 19:37-40