**Revelation**

We look around today

The sky it looms

Foreboding surrounds

It all seems gloom

Jesus was, is, and is to come

Who died, now forever alive!

Fear still grips, now has a name

Laid out, will John survive?

Fear not. Write my words,

Says Jesus to John

The time draws near

Let us honor the Son!

Seven churches, all different

Real places, like us

Revealing our lives

Teaching us trust

Ephesus enduring,

But without love

Smyrna poor, dying

To receive a crown from above

Pergamum holding fast,

With some stumbling taught

Thyatira of service

Immorality its blot

Sardis needs to awaken,

Remember, repent

Philadelphia receives praise

keeping the word its bent

Laodicea lukewarm,

Needs repentance and zeal

Now for us

Which description most real?

We go to the throne room

Holy, Holy, Holy the song

Worthiness sought to open the scroll

Jesus, the lamb, comes along

Six seals are opened

John’s beckoned to “come”

Each picture has death

How will we all not succumb?

God seals his servants

Before the earth is harmed

The Lamb is their shepherd

There is no need for alarm

The seventh seal opens

Woe for those not sealed

But at the last trumpet

God’s mystery will be revealed

The real savior is ours

False reflections exist

Saints need endurance and faith

Though Satan with persist

An eternal gospel to proclaim

An enduring reality getting revealed

False privilege will end

Lamb followers will be healed

Bowls of wrath

Dragons and beasts

Angels and demons

A kingdom of priests

Two brides are discussed

Whose bride will you be?

The church cleaned by Christ

The prostitute Babylon, she

Will be avenged

For tempting away

Heaped high are her sins

She’ll no longer hold sway

The book of life is opened

If your name’s to be found

Your place is secure

We are to be crowned

The river of life

It flows from the throne

God is our light

We can be fully known

Are you encouraged?

Do you hear the word “come”?

Lift your gaze to the end

Please know the whole sum

Jesus’s authority is real

It surpasses false hope

Give him your life

Not just some, the whole scope.

The end it is clear

It is told so we know

Soon comes the end

Hold strait to the path as you go!