

Revelation (Gr. apokalupsis = to reveal, unveil or disclose)

Some terms we will learn:

- 1) Eschatology – Study of last things
 ‘eskhatos’ = last ‘ology’ = study
- 2) Hermeneutics – Theory or method of interpreting the Bible (note: Your eschatology will derive from your hermeneutics)
- 3) Millennium – 3 main views
 - Amillennial – no millennium kingdom
 - Postmillennial – already in the millennium
 - Premillennial – literal 1,000 year reign to come
- 4) Rapture – Will happen Pre-, Mid- or Post-Tribulation
 The term comes from LXX 1Thes 4:17, “caught up”
- 5) Tribulation – Will last 7 years

Revelation 1:19 is the outline of the book – “Write, therefore, what you have seen, what is now, and what will take place later.” That is, Chapter 1, Chapters 2 & 3, and Chapters 4-22

Four views of Revelation

- 1) Preterist (partial and full)
- 2) Historical
- 3) Idealist or Allegorical
- 4) Futurist or Prophetic