

Trinity Reformed Church of Northwest Connecticut

Biblical, Traditional, Congregational

Lord's Day Worship for
September 15, 2024

*"You search the Scriptures because you think that in them
you have eternal life; it is these that testify about Me;" – John 5:39*



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“*” = Please stand if you are able.

Welcome, Greeting & Announcements

Call to Worship – Hebrews 1:1-4

Leader: God, after He spoke long ago to the fathers in the prophets

People: In many portions and in many ways,

Leader: In these last days has spoken to us in His Son,

People: Whom He appointed heir of all things,

Leader: Through whom also He made the world.

People: And He is the radiance of His glory

Leader: And the exact representation of His nature,

People: And upholds all things by the word of His power.

Leader: When He had made purification of sins,

People: He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,

Leader: Having become as much better than the angels,

People: As He has inherited a more excellent name than they.

Prayer of Invocation and Confession

Gospel Absolution Text – Hebrews 2:14-15

*Hymn #75 (red hymnal) – “O Father, You Are Sovereign”

Scripture Reading – Isaiah 46:3-13

Ancient Creedal Reading – Apostles Creed (pg#845 in the red hymnal)

Offerings Presented

[Please put your tithe/offering in the plates before or after the service – Thank you!]

[Gifts labeled “Deacon’s Fund go to aid those in need in the congregation.]

*Doxology #731 (red hymnal)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

*Sung Psalm #94A (see insert below) – “God, the LORD, from Whom Is Vengeance”

Prayers of the Church & Lord's Prayer (sins)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Reformation Creedal Reading – Savoy Declaration (1658 AD), 4.1 (Of Providence)

Leader: *God the great Creator of all things does uphold,* Heb 1:3
People: **Direct, dispose, and govern all creatures,** Dan 4:34-35; Ps 135:6
Leader: *actions, and things,* Acts 17:25-26,28
People: **From the greatest even to the least,** Matt 10:29-31
Leader: *By His most wise and holy providence,* Prov 15:3; Ps 104:24; 145:17
People: **According to His infallible foreknowledge,** Acts 15:18; Ps 94:8-11
Leader: *And the free and immutable counsel of His own will,* Eph 1:11
People: **To the praise of the glory of His wisdom,
power, justice, goodness, and mercy.** Is 63:14; Eph 3:10; Rom 9:17;
Gen 45:7; Ps 145:7

Ministry of the Word

Prayer of Illumination

***Sermon Text** – Revelation 1:1-3

***Gloria Patri #735** (red hymnal)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Sermon – “Introduction to Revelation: A Defense of Idealism”
(A Sermon Series on Revelation 4-7)

***Hymn #580** (red hymnal) – “Lead On, O King Eternal”

***Benediction** – Numbers 6:24-26

All are welcome for Fellowship & Food downstairs after Worship

Upcoming Special Events

- On Saturday, September 21st, at 9:00 AM, there will be a joint Elders & Deacons' meeting at Pastor Doug's house.
- On Saturday, October 12th at noon, there will be an **outdoor pot luck** at Pastor Doug's House. Please bring a lawn chair and a dish if you can. There will be fall games, apple bobbing, etc. Rain Date: October 19th.
- The New England Reformed Fellowship's **Bolton Conference** will be on Friday, October 25th through Saturday, October 26th at the Pleasant Street Christian Reformed Church in Whitinsville, MA 01588. newenglandreformedfellowship.org/2024-conference
- The **Annual Meeting** will be after church on November 17th.
(Note: This is a change from the previous date.)

Regular Weekly Events

<i>Sunday</i>	9:00 – c.10:00 AM	Sunday School Children’s curriculum: KVB Publications Women’s Study: Study on cults Adult Study: Westminster Larger Catechism
	10:30 – c.11:40 AM c.11:40 AM	Worship (Lord’s Supper on the 1 st Sunday of the month) Coffee Hour Fellowship
<i>Tuesday</i>	10:30 AM – Noon	Tuesday Classics Study at Pastor Doug’s house Overview of Medieval Theology & reading some Aquinas
<i>Wednesday</i>	6:30 – 8:00 PM	Wednesday Bible Study at Pastor Doug’s house Origins of the Bible & a Study of 2Peter & Jude
<i>Friday</i>	6:30 - ??? PM	Young Adult Discussion Group at Pastor Doug’s house (1 st & 3 rd Fridays)
<i>Saturday</i>	morning	Prayer Group at the Gabelmann’s (Please call Sheryl to confirm if the group is meeting that day, 860-309-7250.)

ONLINE RESOURCES

TRC’s Webpage:	TrinityReformedCT.org
TRC’s Facebook Page:	facebook.com/people/Trinity-Reformed-Church/61554974150922/
TRC’s Youtube Channel:	youtube.com/@TrinityReformedCT
Pastor Doug’s	youtube.com/simplyreformed
Youtube Channels:	youtube.com/@PilgrimsOfPlunder

INTERNET PRAYER CHAIN

If you have any prayer requests you would like for, please email them to Donna Ensminger at: trcnwprayer@gmail.com. (If you would like to join the Prayer Chain, also see Donna.)

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Worship Starts At: 10:30 AM (9:30 AM in the summer)

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Sermon Notes

Revelation 1:1-3

“Introduction to Revelation: A Defense of Idealism”

A Sermon Series on Revelation 4-7

September 15, 2024

Introduction

- 1) Today we are going to do something subversive!
- 2) We are going to start preaching through a section of a forbidden text!
- 3) What is this forbidden text?
 - a) We are going to do a series on Revelation chapters 4 through 7.
 - b) Which has some very famous scenes in it:
 - i) One of the most striking and beautiful visions of heaven in chapter 4.
 - ii) The breaking of the Seven Seals in chapters 5-6.
 - iii) The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse in chapter 6.
 - iv) The 144,000 in chapter 7.
 - c) However, few churches will try to preach on anything between Revelation 4-19.
- 4) Why? Because those chapters can be some of the hardest to interpret in Scripture.
 - a) It takes some skill on how to read them. 2Tim 2:15; 2Pet 3:16
 - i) Everyone basically agrees on how to read the beginning and ending chapters.
 - Revelation 2-3 is a review, a "report card", of seven churches in Asia-Minor (modern day Turkey) in the late 1st century by the Lord Jesus Himself.
 - Revelation 20:7 – 22:21 is about the end of the age.
 - ii) Revelation 4-19, however, there is massive disagreement.
 - b) For example, some think the White Horseman in Revelation 6:2 is the antichrist while others (including myself) think it is the Lord Jesus Himself right now.
 - i) You can't get any more different than that!
 - ii) And, "no" my favorite generic theological answer of "yes" to many questions cannot work here. The horseman cannot be the Christ and the antichrist at the same time.
 - iii) Both answers cannot be right and each interpretation gives a radically different understanding of the text.
 - c) To preach on chapters 4-19 you have to dogmatically take a stance on how to interpret these chapters.
 - i) Many modern Evangelical churches tend to have an allegorical reaction about to focusing on systematic biblical theological challenges.
 - ii) They desire a generic, unoffensive minimalist theology, so the church can focus on being successful, practical and relevant.
 - iii) So, such texts as Revelation 4-19 are skipped over.
 - iv) Not for us at TRC!
- 5) Revelation is difficult to interpret because of two major challenges:
 - a) *Challenge #1* - What does this particular vision mean/represent?
 - i) Everyone reads Revelation symbolically – But what do these images mean?
 - ii) *For example:* Who, or what, is the Red Horseman in Revelation 6:3-4?)

- b) *Challenge #2* (which is even more challenging) - When does / did this vision happen?
 - i) The most challenging question.
 - ii) *For example*: When does the Red Horseman appear?

The Major Schools/Views On How To Interpret Revelation

- 1) In order to read, let alone preach on Revelation, one has to pick a particular school/view of interpretation.
 - a) It should be said this is a secondary issue.
 - i) There are doctrines about the end times that are required: Christ's return in the future, a bodily resurrection of everyone, final judgment, eternal fire for the wicked, and the final redoing of creation into a new heavens and a new earth for the saints.
 - ii) There is freedom on the secondary issues relating to the "end times" and how to interpret Revelation.
 - The Reformed Tradition, our creeds, and this church's bylaws, do not take an official stance.
 - You will find Reformed theologians holding to all the views listed below.
 - iii) If you disagree with Pastor Doug's bias, that is fine!
 - iv) All these camps have their strengths and weaknesses.
(Though in my opinion, they are not all equal.)
 - b) "Secondary" does not mean "unimportant!"
 - i) Church government is "secondary" but certainly not unimportant.
 - ii) "Secondary" should never be an excuse to ignore what the Bible teaches.
 - c) Revelation 4-19, however, should not be a forbidden chapters in the church.
 - i) We do not want to have a minimalistic theology that opens the church up to worldly thinking, or secret agendas, to creep in.

Matt 16:6ff;
 Mark 7:8;
 Col 2:8; 2Tim 3:16
 - ii) Besides, we are commanded to preach on Revelation. More about that later.
- 4) The major schools of interpretation center around the "when" question.
 - a) Is Revelation mostly about the **past**?
 - b) Is Revelation mostly a **timeline**, an outline of history?
 - c) Is Revelation mostly about the **future**?
 - d) Or, is Revelation mostly about the "ever" **present**? (This is Pastor Doug's position.)
- 5) Let's briefly¹ go through each of the other positions and use Revelation 6:3-4, about the second Horseman of the Apocalypse, the Red one, as a case study.
 - a) The **Preterist View** believes Revelation is mostly about the destruction of the Jewish Temple by the Romans in 70 AD, as prophesied by the Lord Jesus.

John 2:19-21

So, the Red Horseman represents the time of warfare experienced by the Jews (with the Romans and between themselves) leading up to the destruction of the Temple in 70 AD.

¹ Steve Gregg's book Revelation: Four Views – A Parallel Commentary (Thomas Nelson, 1997) is a very helpful book that explains the four views and then goes through Revelation, chapter by chapter, in four columns giving each camp's understanding of the text. Also, I have numerous study handouts, from previous studies on Revelation I have led, if you would like them.

- b) The **Historicist View** believes Revelation is basically a chronological timeline, that each of the various images and signs represent a period in the history of the church.

A common Historicist view of the Red Horseman is that he represents the period between 180 to 284 AD of the Roman Empire from the reign of the emperors Commodus to Diocletian.

- c) The **Futurist View** believes Revelation is mostly about the future focusing on the very end of the age.

A common Futurist view of the Red Horseman, as taught by Hal Lindsey (b.1929) is that the horseman represents Russia, who with its Arab allies, will attack the nation of Israel signifying that Christ's return is soon.

The Idealist View

- 1) For this sermon series Pastor Doug will be preaching Revelation from the Idealist View.²

- a) One of the most ancient ways to read Revelation.
- b) Goes back to the very beginning of church history.³
- c) Made very popular by the great Augustine of Hippo (354-430 AD).

- 2) The **Idealist View** believes that most, though not all, of Revelation is about the "present."

- a) By "present" I don't mean just 2024.
 - i) I mean the "ever present".
 - ii) Every moment between Christ's first advent (at the first Christmas 2,000 years ago) to Christ's second advent (when He returns in the future at the end of the age.)
 - iii) Revelation is speaking about 124 AD, 1024 AD, 2024 AD, and if the Lord wills it 2224 AD.

- b) The various particular visions according to the Idealist View do not refer to one particular thing, but to a thing in general, the idea of the thing, where that thing is good or evil, thus the name "idealist."

For the Idealist, the Red Horseman represents war that will continue to the end of the age because man is fallen, and in particular the persecution of the church as Jesus foretold.

Matt 10:34; 24:6;
John 15:20; 16:33; Rom 8:35;
1Cor 4:12; 2 Cor 4:9; 2Tim 3:12;
James 1:2-4; 1Pet 2:19-25

- c) Of all the many reasons why I like the Idealist view, the main reason is that it makes Revelation relevant to the original hearers and to all Christians throughout the ages.

- 3) Most Idealists believe Revelation is a collection of seven visions that cover the big picture of history from Christ's 1st Advent (the first Christmas) to His 2nd Advent (His return at the end of the age).

- a) So, Revelation 4-7 is broken down as:
 - i) Rev 4:1-6:11 is about this present "church" age.
 - ii) Rev 6:12-7:8 is about the Great Tribulation right before our Lord's return.
 - iii) Rev 7:9-17 is about the age to come.

² I strongly recommend William Hendriksen's More Than Conquerors: An Interpretation of the Book of Revelation, (Baker, 1940). In my opinion, it is not only the best commentary on Revelation, it is one of the top ten most influential Christian books on my life.

³ For a very interesting study of the early church's view of the end times, though quite technically, I would recommend: Regnum Caelorum: Patterns of Millennial Thought in Early Christianity by Charles E. Hill.

- b) Then the story “reboots” and repeats in Revelation 8-11.
(See the Appendix for an overview chat.)

The Key to Understanding Revelation – Revelation 1:1-3

- 1) You might ask: Is there a secret to understand Revelation? Like the Da Vinci Code?
 - a) Yes! There is a “secret.”
 - b) And, “no” isn’t some crazy, silly, fictional thing like the Da Vinci Code.
 - c) Remember one of my favorite fundamental rules to read the Bible:
Context, Context, Context!
 - d) The key, the secret, to reading Revelation is found in the very beginning of the book in the prologue.
- 2) Revelation begins with: Ἀποκάλυψις Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ . . .
(*Apokalupsis Iēsou Christou . . .*)
 - a) NASB translates it as "*The Revelation of Jesus Christ*".
 - b) Literally, "*The Apocalypse of Jesus Christ*."
 - c) "*Apokalupsis*" in Greek ("Apocalypse" as said in English) doesn't mean "the end of everything!"
 - i) Though sometimes an apocalypse can include revelation about the end of the age.
 - ii) "*Apokalupsis*" means "revelation", "what is revealed", "a disclosure."
- 3) And what is this apocalypse, this revelation, in the Book of Revelation about?
 - a) Is it primarily telling us the mysteries of the “end times?”
No, though it does talk a bit about that.
 - b) The first sentence tells us!
 - c) The apocalypse, this revelation, is about Jesus Christ and what He is doing!
 - d) The key to interpret Revelation is not taking the New York Times and trying to figure if current world events might be a sign that we are in the end times.
 - i) The key to understanding Revelation is to read Christ, and His spiritual body on earth, His church, into everything!
 - ii) As the Lord Jesus Himself taught. John 5:18-47; 14:6; 17:1-26; Eph 1:20-22
 - iii) As we read in the beginning and end of Revelation that the Lord Jesus Is 41:4
proclaims: "*I am the Alpha and the Omega, says the Lord God, who* Rev 21:6
is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty." – Revelation 1:8 Rev 22:13
- 4) God the Father gave a revelation to His Son, Jesus Christ, to show to who?
 - a) Rev 1:1a - "*The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show to His bond-servants*".
 - b) This revelation is for Christians, not the world.
- 5) The author of Revelation is John the Apostle. Rev 1:1,4,9; 22:8
 - a) Who also wrote the Gospel of John and the epistles of 1John, 2John and 3John.
 - b) Most theologians and scholars believe Revelation was written around 95 AD and was probably the last book of the Bible written.
 - i) It was written during a time of persecution under Domitian’s reign (r.81-96 AD).
 - ii) John writes Revelation while banished on the Island of Patmos Rev 1:9
because of the faith.

- 6) What is the purpose of this revelation to John from the Triune God?
- To "*testified to the word of God and to the testimony of Jesus Christ, even to all that he saw.*"
- Rev 1:2b
 - To "testify" means to act as a "witness", "give testimony", to "speak well of".
 - Is John's main purpose to testify about the "end times"?
Not directly.
 - John is to testify to the Word of God, Who is Jesus Christ, and to this special testimony of Jesus that John has received through visions given by the angel.
- 7) However, when are these things going to happen?

Revelation 1:3

- Revelation 1:1,3 tells us the tricky "when" question:
 - Rev 1:1b - "*the things which must soon take place*".
 - Rev 1:3b - "*for the time is near.*"
- The focus of the revelations in Revelation must be "soon."
 - Preterists** really like this verse though it does mean they have to get dogmatic about the dating of Revelation and have it before 70 AD and the destruction of the Temple.
 - Historists** argue the "soon/time is near" refers to the start of the timeline.
 - Futurists** struggle with these verses usually arguing the end times in the future will appear "suddenly."
- For the Idealist this is not a problem, because it is always "soon", literally "quickly", and the "time is near" because the Lord Jesus, God's will, and the Day of the Lord is always near.

Rev 1:19
Rev 22:6

 - As we learned while going through Haggai, biblical prophecies usually have layers of meaning that refer to several times at once.
 - Christ's Kingdom is already and not yet.⁴
 - Have full victory in the perfect forgiveness of Christ right now!
And we have new life in the Spirit.
 - Yet we still live in this fallen present evil age, as we constantly wrestle with that old man of sin, as we await Christ's return and the perfect New Heavens and New Earth.
 - This is emphasized because a special blessing is given with this book.
- Did you hear the "beatitude" language in verse 3?
 - Revelation 1:3 - "*Blessed* (same word for "blessed" in the Beatitudes in Matthew 5:3-11, *makarios*) *is he who reads and those who hear the words of the prophecy*".
 - The Bible literally commands this book to be read and heard!
How can Revelation not be preached in church?!
 - And hearing this prophecy is not a curse but a blessing.
It makes one "happy" and/or "fortunate" - the meaning of "*makarios*".

⁴ Luke 17:20-37; Rom 13:11-12; 16:20; 1Cor 7:29-31; 10:11; Heb 1:1-3; James 5:8; 1Pet 1:20; 4:7-11; 2Pet 3:9-12; 1John 2:17-18; Rev 3:11; 22:6-12.

- d) We get so distracted about the tantalizing idea of secret knowledge about the future and the world blowing up, we miss all the rich beauty of this book.
 - i) Revelation is one of the greatest books that bears witness to the Trinity and the deity of Christ.
 - ii) Some of the most beautiful descriptions of worship are found in Revelation.
 - iii) It is one of the most encouraging books to read to remain faithful, which again I think is the main message of the book.
 - Not only giving some of the most epic descriptions of heaven.
 - But teaching all that is happening in this life, even during times of great persecution, is by the sovereign plan of God, who is working out His victory for our good.
- 5) What is also commanded? What gives blessing?
 - a) We have to take "heed" / "keep", "the things which are written in it".
 - b) Question: How does that work for those it was originally written to in the 1st century if this is all about the far-flung future?
 - i) How do we keep a timeline?
 - ii) Is this blessing only for those in the 1st century?
 - c) Or is this a timeless prophecy for all ages!
 - d) What is the main thing we are to do?
 - i) Answer: Remain faithful in the face of all the troubles of this world, including persecution.
 - ii) It is the clear theme throughout Revelation.
 - iii) Read Revelation 2-3, the "report card" chapters, where the Lord Jesus corrects and encourages seven churches in Asia Minor based around whether they are being faithful to Him or not.

Conclusion

- 1) As we work through Revelation 4-7, I would ask for your patience if you take a different view than the Idealists approach.
- 2) However, the main themes I will be focusing on, being faithful because God is sovereign, I trust you will agree with, and hopefully find a blessing.
- 3) Remaining faithful, even in the face of great evil, is what we are called to.
 - a) To have a tested, mature faith, that will give us hope and create in us love.
 - b) A love for God, His Word, His ways with the knowledge He is working all things out.
- 4) Finally, remember how the Apostle Paul concludes his great detailed description of the Gospel in Romans 1-8: *"Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter. Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."* – Romans 8:35-37 (KJV)

	1.1-3:22 <i>Christ among the lamp stands</i>	4.1-7:17 <i>Heaven & 7 Seals</i>	8.1-11:19 <i>7 Trumpets</i>	12.1-14:20 <i>Persecuting Dragon</i>	15.1-16:21 <i>7 Bowls</i>	17.1-19:21 <i>Fall of Babylon</i>	20.1-22:21 <i>Great Consumption</i>
	Introduction & greeting Rev 1:1-3	Scene in heaven Rev 4:1ff	7 th Seal – Silence (Censers, prayer & trumpets) Rev 8:1-6	Birth of Christ Rev 12:1-5	Scene in heaven (Saints rejoicing) Rev 15:1-4	Christ's 1 st Advent (Satan bound) Rev 20:1-3	
	Heavenly Christ to the 7 churches Rev 1:4-20	Lamb & the sealed book Rev 5:1-14	1 st Seal – White Horseman (Jesus & the Gospel) Rev 6:1-2	The Cross (Satan defeated & the church persecuted) Rev 12:6-17	7 Bowls of Wrath Rev 15:5-16:1	Present Church (Militant persecuted) (Triumphant in glory) Rev 20:4-6	
	To Ephesus Rev 2:1-7	2 nd Seal – Red Horseman (Church persecuted) Rev 6:3-4	1 st Trumpet (Judgment on the earth) Rev 8:7	1 st Beast, of the sea (Antichrist government) Rev 13:1-10	1 st Bowl (Sores on the wicked) Rev 16:2		
	To Smyrna Rev 2:8-11	3 rd Seal – Black Horseman (Christian economic hardship) Rev 6:5-6	2 nd Trumpet (Judgment on the sea) Rev 8:8-9	2 nd Bowl (Judgment on the sea) Rev 16:3	2 nd Bowl (Judgment on the waters) Rev 16:4-7	Scarlet Beast & the Harlot (Antichrist government & the world) Rev 17:1-18	
	To Pergamum Rev 2:12-17	4 th Seal – Ashen Horseman (Warfare & martyrdom) Rev 6:7-8	3 rd Trumpet (Death by poison) Rev 8:10-11	3 rd Bowl (Judgment on the waters) Rev 16:4-7	4 th Bowl (Sun burns the wicked) Rev 16:8-9		
	To Thyatira Rev 2:18-29	5 th Seal – Saints in heaven (Call for justice) Rev 6:9-11	4 th Trumpet (Increased darkness) Rev 8:12	2 nd Beast, of the land (Antichrist thinking) Rev 13:11-18	5 th Bowl (Judgment on the Beast's kingdom) Rev 16:10-12	Lament over Babylon Rev 18:1-24	
THIS AGE	To Philadelphia Rev 3:7-13	6 th Seal – Terror (God's wrath unleashed) Rev 6:12-17	5 th Trumpet & 1 st Woe (Demoniac forces unleashed) Rev 8:13-9:12	6 th Bowl – Armageddon Rev 16:12-16			
	To Laodicea Rev 3:14-22	6 th Trumpet (Massive warfare) Rev 9:13-21	6 th Trumpet (Massive warfare) Rev 9:13-21				
		Interlude (Wrath restrained for a bit) Rev 7:1-3	Interlude (Little Book, 7 Thunders) Rev 10:1-11	Saints protected Rev 14:1-5			
		(Saints sealed/protected) Rev 7:4-8	(Temple measured; church protected) Rev 11:1-6	Final warning Rev 14:6-13			
			2 nd Woe Rev 11:7-14 (Church nearly destroyed) (Rapture & Wrath)				
AGE TO COME							
		7 th Trumpet & 3 rd Woe (Final judgment & new Heaven) Rev 11:15-19	7 th Trumpet & 3 rd Woe (Final judgment & new Heaven) Rev 11:15-19	End of the age (The final harvest) Rev 14:14-20	7 th Bowl – Wrath (Final judgment) Rev 16:17-21	Marriage of the Lamb Final Judgment Rev 19:1-21	Judgment & New Heaven & Earth Rev 20:7-22:21