

The Letters to the Seven Churches Revelation 1:1–20

Five Pieces of Information About the Seven Letters

1. Who the author is.
2. What Revelation is.
3. Whom Revelation is to.
4. What Revelation is about.
5. What to do with Revelation.

“Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it.” So, you see, it’s not just about hearing the words; it’s about doing them.” (Matthew 7:24–27)

“But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing.” (James 1:22–25)

Takeaway #1: Jesus Is Great

“But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.” (1 Peter 2:9)

“And the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.” (Ephesians 6:17)

Takeaway #2: Jesus Is Present with His Churches

“And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.” (Matthew 28:20)

Takeaway #3: Jesus Has Something to Say to His Churches

“Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son.” (Hebrews 1:1–2)

“And when the chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the unfading crown of glory.” (1 Peter 5:4)

