

## First things in the Apocalypse of Jesus Christ-II

### Revelation 1:9-20

**In this portion of the introduction, John gets personal and down in the trenches with those he's writing to. He joins them in their present condition of trial, and grounds it in obedience to the will of God! Then he takes them to the audience chamber of the Lord to receive instruction. Then he describes the Lord!**

#### **John's introduction**

V9, "your brother and fellow partaker in the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ which are in Jessus.

Why was John on the island of Patmos? \_\_\_\_\_

v10: **Where** and **when** was John? \_\_\_\_\_

v11, A trumpet-like voice tells John to "write what you \_\_\_\_\_"

and \_\_\_\_\_ it to \_\_\_\_\_

Note that the entire book is to go to every church, not just the special letter for each church.

#### **The description of the Author of the Letter**

v12, John saw how many golden lampstands? \_\_\_\_\_

See Zechariah 4:2-6

v13, John is immediately impressed with the fact that he's seeing the prophet Daniel's "Son of man!" See Daniel 7:13-14  
This title is the favorite name that Jesus applied to himself: Mark 13:26

He is dressed as three different offices in one: Priest, King, and Prophet!

V14 – Head and hair, white: See Daniel 7:9 – this aligns this Person very closely with God, the Ancient of Days, in identity.

V16 – The Right Hand is the hand of power and authority. The Lord rules over the leaders, the elders of the churches. They serve him for the benefit of the body, and not themselves. He is Lord, they are not.

-Two edged sword proceeded from his mouth (it's not IN his mouth, it proceeds from it- See Hebrews 4:12)

v17-18, The First and the Last – Almighty God! (Isaiah 9:6 calls him Eternal Father [Father of Eternity])

Living One, was Dead – Fully human – homo sapiens! This is a live human!

Keys of Death and Hades – See Rev 20:13-14

v20, Seven stars: Church leaders/elders, seven lampstands: the churches addressed