

Valley Bible Church
Sermon Notes for January 14-15, 2006

“The Unveiling”
Revelation 1:4-8
Part 2

By way of introduction, John provides five characteristics which are essential for us to know in order to accurately understand this marvelous book.

Characteristic #1–We must understand the subject of Revelation (Revelation 1:1).

Characteristic #2–We must understand the scribe of Revelation (Revelation 1:2).

Characteristic #3–We must understand the special blessing of Revelation (Revelation 1:3).

Characteristic #4–We must understand the salutation of Revelation (Revelation 1:4-5).

A. This salutation includes the author of Revelation

The Apostle John is the human author of the book of Revelation.

B. This salutation includes the recipients of the book of Revelation.

The recipients of the book of Revelation are seven literal churches in Asia Minor.

C. This salutation includes a greeting for the book of Revelation.

1-The first element of the greeting is that of grace.

2-The second element of the greeting is that of peace.

D. This salutation includes the source of the Greeting of Revelation.

Characteristic #5–We must understand the Savior in Revelation! (Revelation 1:5-8)

A. The appellations of Christ (Verse 5):

B. The activity of Christ (Verses 5-7):

1-Christ is glorified because He loves us.

2-Christ is glorified because He saved us.

3-Christ is glorified because He has prepared us.

4-Christ is coming again!

C. The attributes of Christ (Verse 8):

1-Christ affirms His omniscience!

2-Christ affirms His eternality!

3-Christ affirms His omnipotence!

Only those who have loved Christ's appearing (2 Timothy 4:8), who love Him and acknowledge Him as the rightful King, will enjoy the blessings of His return and reign.