

## This Christ

### The Christ of Revelation is the Christ we worship

Rev. 22:6 ¶ And he said to me, "These words are trustworthy and true. And the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, has sent his angel to show his servants what must soon take place."

Rev. 22:7 ¶ "And behold, I am coming soon. **Blessed is the one who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book.**"

Rev. 22:8 ¶ I, John, am the one who heard and saw these things. And when I heard and saw them, **I fell down to worship at the feet of the angel** who showed them to me,

Rev. 22:9 but he said to me, "You must not do that! I am a fellow servant with you and your brothers the prophets, and with **those who keep the words of this book. Worship God.**"

#### *blessed (7)*

Rev 1:3 (blessed is the one who reads-  
(blessed is the one who sees Christ revealed)

#### *worship God (8-9)*

Rev 19:10 (if John could fall twice...)  
(blessed is the one who responds appropriately)

### The Christ of Revelation is the Christ we proclaim

Rev. 22:10 ¶ And he said to me, "**Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book**, for the time is near.

Rev. 22:11 **Let** the evildoer **still** do evil, and the filthy **still** be filthy, and the righteous **still** do right, and the holy **still** be holy."

Rev. 22:12 ¶ "Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my **recompense** (wages/reward) with me, to **repay** each one for what he has done.

Rev. 22:13 I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

Rev. 22:14 ¶ Blessed are those who **wash their robes**, so that they may have the right to the tree of life and that they may enter the city by the gates.

Rev. 22:15 Outside are the dogs (unclean people -matt 7:6) and sorcerers and the sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.

Rev. 22:16 ¶ "I, Jesus, have sent my angel to **testify to you about these things for the churches**. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star."

Rev. 22:17 ¶ **The Spirit and the Bride say**, "Come." And let the one who hears say, "Come." And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price.

#### *do not seal up...let still be (10-11)*

Dan 12:4, 9-10 (relevant now)  
Rev 7:10; 19:1 (because salvation belongs to God)

#### *recompense (12)*

rom 6:23 (judgment earned salvation gifted)

#### *repay (12)*

Rev 5:1-10 (salvation)

Rev 6:16 (wrath)

#### *wash robes (14)*

Rev 7:14 (pictures salvation)

#### *for the churches (16)*

Rev 1:4, 11; 2:7, 11, 17, 29; 3:6, 13, 22

(hear what the spirit says **to** the churches)

#### *The Spirit and the Bride*

Jn 7:37-39 (hear what the spirit says **through** the churches)

### The Christ of Revelation is the only Christ there is

Rev. 22:18 ¶ **I warn everyone** who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: **if anyone adds** to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book, Rev. 22:19 and **if anyone takes away** from the words of the book of this prophecy, God will take away his share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book.

#### *adds/takes away (18-19)*

1 Jn 5:20-21 (keep yourselves from idols)

Lk 7:18-23 (the Baptizer needed a reminder)

-so do we

-we can speak about the manger

-but He is not in the manger

-we can speak about the cross

-but He is not on the cross

-He is in Heaven and He is terrifying and wonderful

### We are waiting for this Christ

Rev. 22:20 ¶ He who testifies to these things says,

**"Surely I am coming soon."** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

Rev. 22:21 ¶ The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all.

Amen.

#### *soon (all of a sudden) (20)*

2 Pet 3 (we are waiting for this christ)

Luke 19:41-44 (they did not recognize)

Jn 20:11-15 (Mary did not recognize)

Jn 20:16-18 (when she did she told them all)

-we have been given the Rev. of Christ

-not the Rev. forecast of the future events

-a suffering world does not need a detailed forecast of future events

-it needs a vision of the exalted Christ

## **This Christ**

**Intro:** the most important question in the world is who is Jesus Christ - Isaiah (52:3) prophesied that He would have no form or majesty, emphasizing that He was truly a man...but is that all?

**Problem:**

Rev 1:1-2 revelation gives us our final answer - Revelation means unveiling

Rev 1:12-19; 19:11-16 and the only physical description of Christ in the bible is in in this book - this is the picture God wants us to have of Christ - Rev ends reminding us of this fact

**Main Idea:**

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**Implication:** adds/takes away

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**Application:** soon

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## **articles for further study**

<https://www.gotquestions.org/Revelation-22-18-19.html>

<http://www.desiringgod.org/interviews/is-the-jesus-in-revelation-the-same-as-the-jesus-in-the-gospels>