

Terry Fullam Audio Library

Scriptural References and Comment Notes

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BACK TO SQUARE ONE

:00 – 4:00 Comments on the book of the Revelation.

4:00 Revelation 2:1-7 is the teaching text. Further comments regarding the book. Reference Revelation 1:10-11, 2:1 Teaching on background for symbols of “seven stars” (angels – messengers), and “seven golden lampstands” (Churches).

A messenger should speak God’s word and not words of his own invention. Reference Jeremiah 23:28-32.

10:30 Revelation 2:1 Jesus is the author, John is the messenger. Jesus holds the “seven stars” (pastors), in his hand (the Greek usage means to hold in the sense of complete enclosure in the hand – taking possession of). Reference John 10:29 Those who the Lord has in his hand will never be snatched out.

13:35 Revelation 1:20 The golden lampstands are the churches. Reference Revelation 2:1 Jesus walks among the seven golden lampstands – the churches. Teaching on Jesus’ presence among his churches. Terry tells the story of the Catholic Nun who was frightened at the prospect that Jesus was watching her every moment.

16:40 Revelation 2:2 Jesus says “I know your works...” Reference Revelation 2:9, 13,19. Revelation 3:1, 8, 15. Jesus is fully aware of every circumstance in every part of his body.

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18:20 Revelation 2:2-3 Jesus commends the favorable aspects of the church. Teaching. Reference Jeremiah 23:21. God was often against the “spiritual leaders”. Reference Malachi 2:1-2.

Teaching continues, verses 2-3. False apostles; Reference Matthew 24:26-27 Jesus teaches on his second coming. Reference 2 Timothy 4:3-4; 2 Peter 2:1; 1 John 4:1.

25:20 Perhaps we live in a time when there is more false teaching going on, than ever before. Terry tells of his invitation to South Africa to correct some false teaching that had come into the church there. Terry mentions the teaching of the “prosperity gospel”.

27:50 Matthew 16:13-23 Teaching on the true foundation of the church, and how, even amongst fervent believers, the true message can become distorted and allow for false teaching to enter the ears of the hearers.

29:30 Revelation 2:3 Enduring the suffering that comes from identifying with Christ. Walking with Jesus puts you out of step with the world. You can't serve two masters; Reference Matthew 6:24; Luke 16:13. Tension and tribulation. The Ephesian church did not grow weary of carrying the truth.

30:30 Revelation 2:4 The one criticism - they had abandoned the love they had at first. Reference Matthew 22:37-40 Loving God and neighbor had been displaced by a cold doctrinal attitude. They withstood the assault from the outside but they fell prey to an internal infection.

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32:00 Revelation 2:5 Jesus offers the solution for restoration. Remember, Repent, Return. Reference Luke 15:17-18. Teaching. Terry tells of a letter from an early puritan preacher to his son on repentance. Reference 1 John 1:9 confession cleanses us. No forgiveness in an attitude of self justification and self righteousness. God restores those of contrite heart. Reference Psalm 51:17; Isaiah 57:15.

38:00 Revelation 2:5a Return to the works you did at first. Teaching.

39:30 Revelation 2:5b If not - I will remove the church from that place. There is no church in Ephesus now. Terry reflects on St. Paul's church.

43:00 Revelation 2:6-7 Teaching. Reference Genesis 2:9-17 eating of the tree of life.

46:10 Revelation 22:1-2 The fruit and leaves of the tree of life restored to the kingdom of God's family.

Rev. 2:1 “To the angel of the church in Ephesus write: ‘The words of him who holds the seven stars in his right hand, who walks among the seven golden lampstands.

Rev. 2:2 “‘I know your works, your toil and your patient endurance, and how you cannot bear evil men but have tested those who call themselves apostles but are not, and found them to be false; 3 I know you are enduring patiently and bearing up for my name’s sake, and you have not grown weary. 4 But I have this against you, that you have abandoned the love you had at first. 5 Remember then from what you have fallen, repent and do the works you did at first. If not, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place, unless you repent. 6 Yet this you have, you hate the works of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate. 7 He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who conquers I will grant to eat of the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God.’

Rev. 1:10 I was in the Spirit on the Lord’s day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet 11 saying, “Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to La-odicea.”

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Jer. 23:28 Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let him who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the LORD. 29 Is not my word like fire, says the LORD, and like a hammer which breaks the rock in pieces? 30 Therefore, behold, I am against the prophets, says the LORD, who steal my words from one another. 31 Behold, I am against the prophets, says the LORD, who use their tongues and say, ‘Says the LORD.’ 32 Behold, I am against those who prophesy lying dreams, says the LORD, and who tell them and lead my people astray by their lies and their recklessness, when I did not send them or charge them; so they do not profit this people at all, says the LORD.

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lampstands.

John 10:29 My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand.

Rev. 1:20 As for the mystery of the seven stars which you saw in my right hand, and the seven golden lampstands, the seven stars are the angels of the seven churches and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.

Rev. 2:1 "To the angel of the church in Ephesus write: 'The words of him who holds the seven stars in his right hand, who walks among the seven golden lampstands.

Rev. 2:2 "I know your works, your toil and your patient endurance, and how you cannot bear evil men but have tested those who call themselves apostles but are not, and found them to be false;

Rev. 2:9 "I know your tribulation and your poverty (but you are rich) and the slander of those who say that they are Jews and are not, but are a synagogue of Satan.

Rev. 2:13 "I know where you dwell, where Satan's throne is; you hold fast my name and you did not deny my faith even in the days of Antipas my witness, my faithful one, who was killed among you, where Satan dwells.

Rev. 2:19 "I know your works, your love and faith and service and patient endurance, and that your latter works exceed the first.

Rev. 3:1 "And to the angel of the church in Sardis write: 'The words of him who has the seven spirits of God and the seven stars.

"I know your works; you have the name of being alive, and you are dead.

Rev. 3:8 "I know your works. Behold, I have set before you an open door, which no one is able to shut; I know that you have but little power, and yet you have kept my word and have not denied my name.

Rev. 3:15 "I know your works: you are neither cold nor hot. Would that you

were cold or hot!

Rev. 2:2 “I know your works, your toil and your patient endurance, and how you cannot bear evil men but have tested those who call themselves apostles but are not, and found them to be false; 3 I know you are enduring patiently and bearing up for my name’s sake, and you have not grown weary.

Jer. 23:21 “I did not send the prophets, yet they ran; I did not speak to them, yet they prophesied.

Mal. 2:1 “And now, O priests, this command is for you. 2 If you will not listen, if you will not lay it to heart to give glory to my name, says the LORD of hosts, then I will send the curse upon you and I will curse your blessings; indeed I have already cursed them, because you do not lay it to heart.

Matt. 24:26 So, if they say to you, ‘Lo, he is in the wilderness,’ do not go out; if they say, ‘Lo, he is in the inner rooms,’ do not believe it. 27 For as the lightning comes from the east and shines as far as the west, so will be the coming of the Son of man.

2Tim. 4:3 For the time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but having itching ears they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own likings, 4 and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander into myths.

2Pet. 2:1 But false prophets also arose among the people, just as there will be false teachers among you, who will secretly bring in destructive heresies, even denying the Master who bought them, bringing upon themselves swift destruction.

1John 4:1 Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are of God; for many false prophets have gone out into the world.

Matt. 16:13 Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, “Who do men say that the Son of man is?” 14 And they said, “Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.” 15 He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” 16 Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” 17 And

Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-jona! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven. 18 And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the powers of death shall not prevail against it. 19 I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." 20 Then he strictly charged the disciples to tell no one that he was the Christ.

Matt. 16:21 From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. 22 And Peter took him and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid, Lord! This shall never happen to you." 23 But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me; for you are not on the side of God, but of men."

Rev. 2:3 I know you are enduring patiently and bearing up for my name's sake, and you have not grown weary.

Matt. 6:24 "No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon.

Luke 16:13 No servant can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon."

Rev. 2:4 But I have this against you, that you have abandoned the love you had at first.

Matt. 22:37 And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. 38 This is the great and first commandment. 39 And a second is like it, You shall love your neighbor as yourself. 40 On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets."

Rev. 2:5 Remember then from what you have fallen, repent and do the works you did at first. If not, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place, unless you repent.

Luke 15:17 But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, but I perish here with hunger! 18 I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you;

1John 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Psa. 51:17 The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise.

Is. 57:15 For thus says the high and lofty One who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: "I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite.

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Gen. 2:9 And out of the ground the LORD God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

Gen. 2:10 A river flowed out of Eden to water the garden, and there it divided and became four rivers. 11 The name of the first is Pishon; it is the one which flows around the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold; 12 and the gold of that land is good; bdellium and onyx stone are there. 13 The name of the second river is Gihon; it is the one which flows around the whole land of Cush. 14 And the name of the third river is Tigris, which flows east of Assyria. And the fourth river is the Euphrates.

Gen. 2:15 The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. 16 And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, "You

may freely eat of every tree of the garden; 17 but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.”

Rev. 22:1 Then he showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb 2 through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.