



Big Idea: God's Word is the only reliable witness about what is to come.

1.) Revelation is about UNVEILING Jesus Christ.

- v. 1a: *"the revelation of Jesus Christ."*
- The book of Revelation is the unveiling of our Savior in the fullness of His forever glory.
 - To say this is a revelation **OF** Jesus Christ is to say that is a revelation **ABOUT** Jesus Christ (1 Peter 1:13).
 - What is most specifically revealed in the Book of Revelation is not times or dates or destructions, but the blazing glory of Jesus Christ.
- The ultimate plans that the Father put in place from eternity past to exalt His Son are what the Father gives the Son in this revelation.

2.) Revelation is about CONFIDENCE in Christ.

- The central truths of this text are not meant by God to **CONFUSE** us, but to reveal truth and give us confidence in Christ.
 - As the fullness of Christ's authority, power, and glory are unveiled, God means to inspire confidence in those who trust in Him.
- God inspires within us confidence in Christ through this book of Scripture by showing us what is to **COME**
 - v. 1b: *"To show to his servants the things that must soon take place."*
 - God gave us this revelation through John so that we might know what He is bringing about, both now and in the last days.
 - Unlike predictions of this world, the events in Revelation are an infallible and **UNDENIABLE AND UNAVOIDABLE** reality for all people everywhere.
 - Those who hear this revelation and put it into practice are blessed because we will not be caught off guard or found unprepared.

3.) Revelation is about **OVERCOMING** in Christ.

- Revelation was written to churches that were struggling and suffering trouble and persecution.
- Our Lord sent this revelation through John as a call to persevere through suffering and to fight for purity against the enticements of the world.
 - Nothing affects our priorities in the **PRESENT** more than our prospects for the **FUTURE**
 - Because the last days and everything thereafter are all about Christ, our lives in the here and now should likewise be all about Christ.
- What do you believe will happen in the end, and how is that belief affecting how you live today?
- In this year ahead, may God make us supremely confident that we will receive everlasting victory in Christ.
- God's Word is the only reliable witness about what is to come, and it's all about **CHRIST**. Is your life all about Christ?