

Week 52
I John 4-Revelation 22

Sorry I am a little off somewhere, here is the rest of the story:

I John Continued

1. 1. Simple outline
 - a. Prologue: 1:1-4
 - b. The tests of life: Cycle #1: 1:5-2:27
 - c. The tests of life: Cycle #2: 2:28-4:6
 - d. The tests of life: Cycle #3: 4:7-5:21
 2. Remember last week we completed the second cycle, so we will resume in 4:7
- I. Day #1: I John 4-5: The Tests of Life: Cycle 3: 4:7-5:21
- A. The Love Test: 4:7-21
 - B. The Belief Test: 5:1-15
 - C. The Behavior Test: 5:16-21

II. Overviews of II John, III John, and Jude

II John

1. Author: John
2. Purpose: To warn against the false teaching that Christ had not actually come in the flesh and to encourage hospitality toward preachers of the true Gospel
3. Date: 85-95
4. Key truths
 - a. Love among Christians is a central moral concern for followers of Christ
 - b. Denying the full Incarnation of Christ leads to the judgment of God
5. Simple outline
 - a. Greetings: 1-3
 - b. John's Joy: 4-6
 - c. John's Warning: 7-11
 - d. Closing: 12

III John

1. Author: John
2. Purpose: To encourage service toward others, especially with regard to hospitality toward those who minister the gospel
3. Date: 85-90
4. Key truths
 - a. Christians who are faithful in showing goodness to others are to be commended
 - b. Showing hospitality to others, especially to ministers of the gospel, is an important Christian privilege and responsibility
 - c. Christian leaders should appreciate and support, rather than fear and abuse, each other.
5. Simple outline
 - a. Greeting: 1-2
 - b. Hospitality commended and viewed positively and negatively: 3-10
 - c. Hospitality exhorted: 11-12
 - d. Conclusion: 13-14

Jude

1. Author: Jude: the brother of Jesus
2. Purpose: To combat false teaching that Christian liberty and salvation by grace give believers license to sin
3. Date: 55-62
4. Key truths
 - a. Terrible judgment awaits those who rebel against God and Christ
 - b. False teachers in the church must be strongly resisted
 - c. Christian liberty and God's free grace do not give believers license to sin
 - d. Believers are responsible to actively pursue good works and spiritual growth
5. Simple outline
 - a. Greetings: 1-2
 - b. Purpose: 3-4
 - c. The anatomy of false teachers: 5-19
 - i. Their fate: 5-7
 - ii. Their emptiness: 8-13
 - iii. Their agenda: 14-16
 - iv. Their fulfillment of prophecy: 17-19
 - d. The Christian response to false teaching: 20-23
 - e. Doxology: 24-25

Overview of Revelation

1. Author: John
 2. Purpose: To encourage faithfulness to Christ in the midst of suffering by affirming that God rules history and will surely bring it to a glorious consummation of judgment and blessing in Christ.
 3. Date: 95-96
 4. Key truths
 - a. The church faces much suffering in this sinful world
 - b. God requires sincere repentance and enduring faithfulness from his people
 - c. God controls history so the evil will not prevail
 - d. Jesus will return in glory to bring final judgment on the wicked and final salvation from those that overcome
 5. Key verses: 1:7, 19:11-16
 6. Key theme: 1:1: The revelation of Jesus Christ
 7. Simple outline
 - a. The Lamb Among His Churches: 1
 - b. The Lamb Speaks to His Churches: 2-3
 - c. The Lamb and the Heavenly Throne room: 4-5
 - d. The Lamb's Wrath:
 - i. This includes the trumpets, bowls, and seals
 - ii. These are three cycles covering the same period, with each cycle getting more intense.
 - iii. Revelation is not written in chronological order. Obvious examples include: The beast of 11:7 persecutes the witnesses before he rises to power in 13:1. Babylon is fallen in 14:8, but it is not fallen in 17:1-5 and 18:21. These are obvious examples of repetition for emphasis and John is not intending to be chronological but thematic
 - e. The Lamb's Enemies: 12-14,
 - f. The Lamb's Kingdom: 17-19:5
 - g. The Lamb's Return: 19:6-21
 - h. The Lamb's Rule: 20:1-10
 - i. The Lamb's Judgment: 20:11-15
 - j. The Lamb's Dwelling with His Bride: 21-22:5
 - k. The Lamb Exhorts his Bride: 22:6-21
- I. Day #359: Revelation 1-3
- A. Introduction: The Lamb Among His Churches: 1
 1. The Prologue: 1:1-3
 2. The Praise: 1:4-8
 3. The Picture of Christ: 1:9-20
 - B. The Lamb Speaks to His Churches: 2-3
 1. The Lamb speaks to Ephesus: 2:1-7
 2. The Lamb speaks to Smyrna: 2:8-11
 3. The Lamb speaks to Pergamun: 2:12-17
 4. The Lamb speaks to Thyatira: 2:18-29

5. The Lamb speaks to Sardis: 3:1-6
6. The Lamb speaks to Philadelphia: 3:7-13
7. The Lamb speaks to Laodicea: 3:14-22

II. Day #360: Revelation 4-6

- C. The Lamb and the Heavenly Throne room: 4-5
 1. The Father is Praised for Creation: 4
 - a. The throne of God: 1-6
 - b. The worship of God: 7-11
 2. The Son is Praised for Redemption: 5
 - a. The Scroll: 1
 - b. The Search: 2-4
 - c. The Victor: 5-7
 - d. The Worship of the Lamb: 8-13
- D. The Lamb's Wrath: Part #1: 6-8:5
 1. The First Six: Seals: 6
 - a. Sinners suffering: 6:1-8
 - b. Saints enduring: 6:9-11
 - c. Suffering is Vindicated: 6:12-17

III. Day #361: Revelation 7-9

2. Interlude: 7
 - a. Vision #1: The saints enduring: 7:1-8
 - b. Vision #2: The saints exalting: 7:9-17
3. The Seventh Seal: 8:1-5: The purpose of prayer: 8:1-5
- E. The Lamb's Wrath: Part #2: 8:6-11:19
 - b. The First Six Trumpets: 8:6-9:21:
 - i. The purpose of God's wrath: 8:6-13
 - ii. The pain is inflicted: 9:1-12
 - iii. The Request is Granted: 9:13-21

IV. Day #362: Revelation 10-12

1. Interlude: Part #1: Suspense: The Little Scroll: 10
 - a. God's word concealed: 1-4
 - b. God's word actualized: 5-7
 - c. God's word proclaimed: 8-11
2. Interlude Part #2: The Two Witnesses: 11:1-14
 - a. Protection: 1-2
 - b. Proclamation: 3-14
 - c. Praise: The Seventh Trumpet: 15-19
- F. The Lamb's Opponents: The Satanic Trinity: 12:1-14:20
 1. The Dragon: 12:1-17
 - a. The characters: 1-6
 - b. The conflict: 7-12
 - c. The persecution: 13-17

V. Day #363: Revelation 13-15

2. The First Beast: 13:1-10
 - a. The slanderer of God: 1-4
 - b. The sovereignty of God: 5-8
3. The Second Beast: 13:11-18
 - a. The appearance of the beast: 11
 - b. The power of the beast: 12a
 - c. The purpose of the beast: 12b-14
 - d. The ruthlessness of the beast: 15-18
4. The Lamb's Victory: 14
 - a. The Lamb's Army: the 144,000: 14:1-5
 - b. The Lamb's Agents: the three angels: 14:6-13
 - c. The Lamb's Arrival: The two harvests: 14:14-20
- G. The Lamb's Wrath: Part #3: 15-16
 1. The Preparations for unleashing the bowls: 15
 - a. A Marvelous Sign: 1-2
 - b. A Marvelous Song: 3-4
 - c. A Marvelous Sight: 5-8
- VI. Day #364: Revelation 16-18
 3. The Unleashing of the Bowl Judgments: 16
 - a. The Dismantling of the Earth Dwellers: 1-9
 - b. The Dismantling of the Beast's Throne: 10-21
- H. The Establishment of the Lamb's Kingdom: 17-20
 4. The Destruction of the Kingdoms of this World: 17-18
 - a. Religious and Political Conditions at the Destruction: 17
 - i. Introduction to the judgment: 1-2
 - ii. Identification of the prostitute: 3-6a
 - iii. Interpretation of the event: 6b-14
 - iv. Instigation of the event: 15-18
 - b. Economic Conditions at the Destruction: 18
 - i. Proclamation: 1-8
 - ii. Affects: 9-20
 - iii. Certainty: 21-24
- VII. Day #365: Revelation 19-22
 2. The Establishment of the Kingdom of God: 19-20
 - a. The Lamb's Return: 19:1-21
 - i. Victory is announced: 19:1-10
 - ii. Victory is actualized: 11-21
 - c. The Lamb's Rule in the Millennium: 20:1-10
 - i. The sovereignty of God and the futility of Satan: 1-3
 - ii. The vindication of God and his people: 4-6
 - iii. The affirmation of the depravity of the sinner: 7-10
 - c. The Lamb's Judgment: 20:11-15
 - i. The judgment of the devil: 10
 - ii. The judgment of the lost: 11-15

- I. The Lamb's Reunion with Bride: 21-22:5
 - 1. Where are we going? 21:1-8
 - 2. What will be doing? 21:9-22:4

- J. The Lamb's Exhortation: 22:6-21: What should we be doing now