



The
Revelation
of **Jesus Christ**

25. Christ returns



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*...then all the tribes of the earth will mourn,
and they will see the Son of Man
coming on the clouds of heaven
with power and great glory.*

(Matthew 24:30)

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Part 1		
Section 1	Section 2	Section 3
Chapters 1 to 3	Chapters 4 to 7	Chapters 8 to 11
Prologue, the vision of Christ among the lampstands, the letters to the seven churches.	The vision of God's throne, the scroll in His right hand, the Lion and the Lamb. The seven seals are opened.	The prayers of the saints, the seven trumpets are sounded, the great angel, the little book, the two witnesses.

Part 2			
Section 4	Section 5	Section 6	Section 7
Chapters 12 to 14	Chapters 15 to 16	Chapters 17 to 19	Chapters 20 to 22
The woman gives birth to a child, the dragon cast out, the two beasts, the Lamb on Mt Zion, three angels, two harvests.	The song of victors over the beast. Seven bowls of the wrath of God are poured out on the earth.	The woman riding on the beast, the destruction of Babylon, Christ on a white horse, the damnation of two beasts.	Satan is bound, the saints reign with Christ for a thousand years, the final judgement, a new creation, the new Jerusalem.

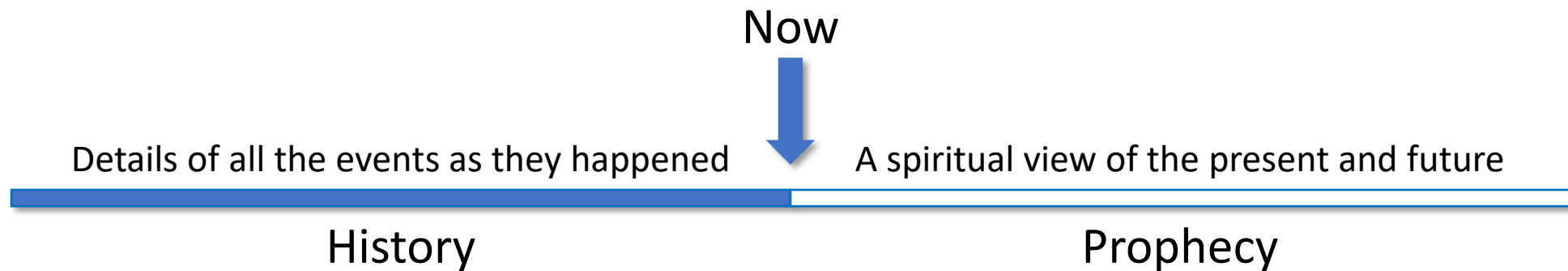
Concerning prophecy...

Prophecy is not proleptic history.

It is not detailed history in advance

Its design is less to unfold the future, than to furnish a general guide to the Church in the use of the means appointed for her **salvation** and **edification**.

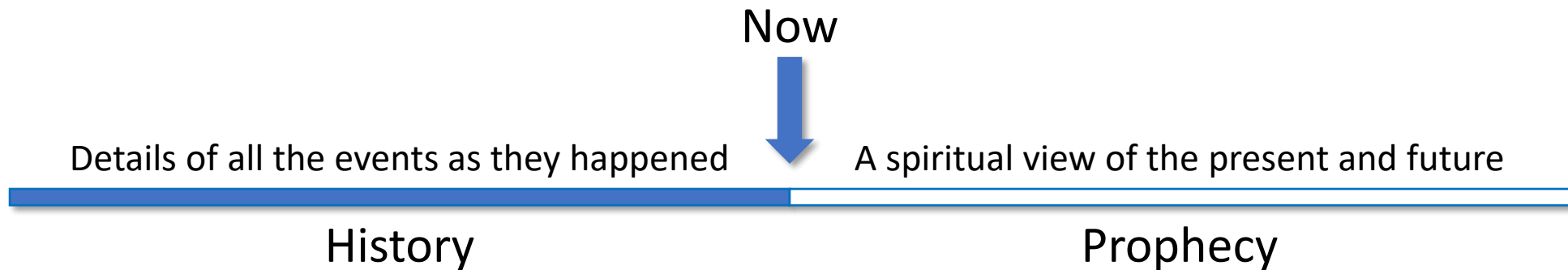
- Charles Hodge (1797–1878)



Concerning prophecy...

*And behold, I am coming soon.
Blessed is the one who **keeps**
the words of the prophecy of this book.*
(Revelation 22:7)

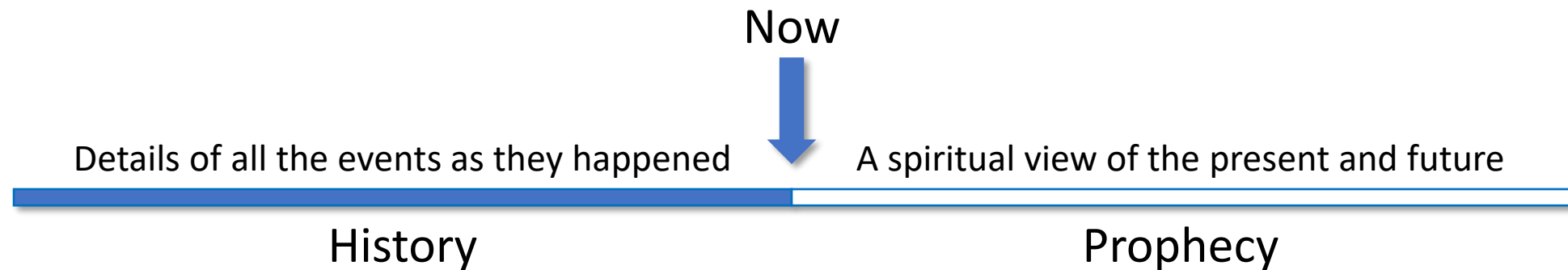
The one who prophesies
speaks to people for their **edification**
and **encouragement** and **consolation**.
(1 Corinthians 14:3)



Concerning prophecy...

The Lord usually uses natural means

- The captivity of Israel
- The crucifixion of Christ
- The destruction of Babylon (17:16-17)



Enemies...

- ① And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, **a great red dragon**, with seven heads and ten horns, and on his heads seven diadems.
(Revelation 12:3)

Man of sin,
the lawless one
(2 Thessalonians 2:3,8)

Satan
(Revelation 12:9)

- ② And I saw **a beast rising out of the sea**, with ten horns and seven heads, with ten diadems on its horns and blasphemous names on its heads.
(Revelation 13:1)

- ③ Then I saw **another beast rising out of the earth**. It had two horns like a lamb and it spoke like a dragon.
(Revelation 13:11)

The false prophet
(Revelation 19:20)

- ④ ...and I saw **a woman sitting on a scarlet beast....** The woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and jewels and pearls, holding in her hand a golden cup full of abominations and the impurities of her sexual immorality.
(Revelation 17:3-4)

Babylon
(Revelation 17:5)

Revelation 19:11-21

- The vision of Christ returning in judgement (11-16)
- The defeat of the antichrist and false prophet (17-21)

Revelation 19:11-21

Victory!

Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse!

The One sitting on it is called **Faithful** and **True**,
and in **righteousness** He judges and makes war.

Revelation 3:14

Revelation
1:14

Isaiah 11:3-5

His eyes are like a flame of fire,
and on His head are **many diadems**,
and He has a name written
that no one knows but Himself.

All authority

Isaiah 63:3

He is clothed in a robe **dipped in blood**,
and the name by which He is called is **The Word of God**.

(Revelation 19:11-13)

Revelation 19:11-21

Angels?

2 Thessalonians 1:7-10

And **the armies of heaven**,
arrayed in fine linen, white and pure,
were following Him on white horses.

Revelation 1:16
2 Thessalonians 2:8

poimainō = to tend
as a shepherd

From His mouth comes a sharp sword
with which to strike down the nations,
and He will **rule** them with a rod of iron.

Psalms 2:9
Revelation 12:5

Isaiah 63:2-6

He will tread the winepress of the fury
of the wrath of God the Almighty.

On His robe and on His thigh
He has a name written,

King of kings and Lord of lords.

(Revelation 19:14-16)

Revelation 19:11-21

Then I saw an angel standing in the sun,
and with a loud voice he called
to all the birds that fly directly overhead,

“Come, gather for the great supper of God...”

And I saw **the beast** and **the kings** of the earth
with their armies **gathered to make war**
against Him who was sitting on the horse
and against His army.

(Revelation 19:17-19)



Revelation 16:14,16
Revelation 17:12-14

Revelation 19:11-21

And the beast was captured,
and with it the false prophet...

These two were thrown alive
into the lake of fire that burns with sulfur.

And the rest were slain by the sword
that came from the mouth of Him
who was sitting on the horse,
and all the birds were gorged with their flesh.

(Revelation 19:20-21)



Revelation 19:15



Some other references to Christ's return

The wheat and the weeds

(Matthew 13:39-43)

The coming of the Son of Man

(Matthew 24:29-31)

The sheep and the goats

(Matthew 25:31-32)

The Lord Jesus revealed from heaven

(2 Thessalonians 1:7-10)

The Lord defeats the lawless one

(2 Thessalonians 2:8)

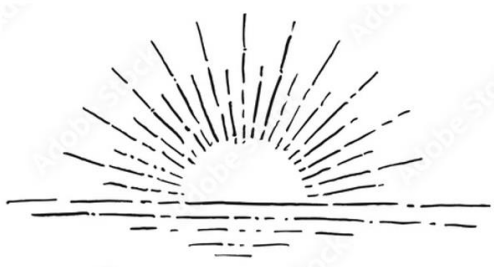
The Lord comes with 10,000 of His saints

(Jude 14-15)

Visions of Christ Jesus in Revelation

John sees a vision of Christ in:

- Chapter 1:12-16
 - The One among the lampstands with a message to the churches
- Chapter 5:5-7
 - The Lion of Judah and the Lamb “as though it had been slain”
- Chapter 19:11-16
 - The King of kings coming out of heaven to destroy His enemies



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“Little children, keep yourselves from idols.”

(1 John 5:21)