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In Scripture:

WHY do we look for this? (Volume 1, page 348, top)

Prior to Revelation: (O.T.)

How much should we expect? (Luther, e.g. in Daniel 11:34)

Ezekiel 9:2

Habakkuk 2:1-3

In Revelation:

7th Church (Revelation 1:16, 20; 3:14)

Mention in 6th Trumpet (Revelation 10:7)

Lack of mention in 7th Seal

Primary Message: 7th Trumpet (Revelation 11:15)

One of those with 7 Plagues: John's Harvest confidant (Revelation 17 - 22)

A list of his teachings:

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1. 17:1 -- Explains the judgment of the harlot
 2. 17:3 -- Carries us back to examine the 1260-year "wilderness"
 3. 17:6, 7 -- Shows us our wonderment; explains the details
 4. 17:15-18 -- Explains art of symbol interpretation; tells of things to come
 5. 18:4 -- Prompts separation
 6. 19:9 -- Explains position of the G.C.
 7. 21:9 -- Explains the Bride -- our calling
 8. 21:10 -- Tells of a new government
 9. 21:15 -- Details the SIZE of that government (Revelation 14:1-5)
 10. 21:17 -- This angel IS A MAN (KJV is best)
 11. 22:1 -- Brings restitution to light
 12. 22:6 -- Claims to have presented THE TRUTH
 13. 22:6 -- Explains his place in God's purpose
 14. 22:8 -- Prophesies our tendency
 15. 22:9 -- Corrects us in our tendency (Compare 19:5, 9, 10)
 16. 22:9 -- Directs our worship to the only true Authority (Compare 14:6)
 17. 22:10 -- Relates things to chronology
 18. 22:10 -- Encourages BUILDING ON his presentations
 19. 22:11 -- Leaves us with a character message worth meditation
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WHO MEETS THESE DESCRIPTIONS?

- Advice regarding "worship" (Revelation 19:10 and 22:8,9)
- Advice regarding study after he is gone (Revelation 22:10)
- His final Words in Scripture (Revelation 22:11)

In Matthew 24:

24:30 -- THE SIGN

24:45 -- THE SERVANT (a response to verse 44)

"food at the proper time" (verse 45)

"all his possessions" (verse 47) [shown in list above!]

Place as an "angel:"

Function of "angels" (or "scribes") and what they don't do & what they are not.

Matthew 13:52

Not "apostolic succession!" -- The real warning of Rev. 13 & other places!

"Disagreeing" with him:

Everyone does! It's a matter of degree & of admitting it.

Perfectly PROPER! (Otherwise = Apostolic Succession!)

A personal rule

Honoring his position:

By not misusing him

No catechism/no "proving" by him

By seeking him in Scripture (Avoids too casual an acceptance)

By comparing him with other "angels" to the Churches

By not turning saints against him by "You're disagreeing with Bro. R.!" -- etc.

"But the 'Comments' say..."

Don't be a Russellite! (Denominationalism is DEAD!)

By honestly recognizing his own struggles & learning & changes

By not "weighting" his works

By recognizing his liberality

By keeping the proper protocol! (Scripture always comes first.)

(He comes before "commentators.")

The place of his works in ecclesia meetings

The place of him in personal study

