

REVELATION

A large aircraft carrier is shown from a high-angle perspective, sailing on the ocean. The ship's deck is visible, with several aircraft parked. The ship is moving towards the right, leaving a white wake behind it. The sky is a pale, hazy blue.

**One of the most important
books of the entire
BIBLE**



F-22 Raptors

Abraham Lincoln

OUTLINE

- I. Vision of J.C. among 7 Churches 1-3**
 - A. Prologue & Benediction 1:1-8**
 - B. Vision of Jesus Christ 1:9-21**
 - C. Letters to the 7 Churches 2-3**

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7 CHURCHES

1. Ephesus - left 1st love
2. Smyrna - persecuted
3. Pergamum - compromised
4. Thyatira - apostasy
5. Sardis - dead
6. Philadelphia - faithful
7. Laodicea - lukewarm

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7 – SEALED SCROLL

Origin in Heaven - 4-5

Openings on Earth - 6

Outcomes on Earth & in Heaven - 7

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SIGNIFICANCE

- 1. Pictures Heavenly scene**
- 2. Hints of outcome of History**
- 3. Reveals Purpose of God**
- 4. Give significance to His Throne**
- 5. Shows Exaltation of Lamb**
- 6. Contrasts with Caesar's throne**
- 7. Prepares for Major part of book**

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VISION LOCATION

Heaven

4-5

6:9-11

7:9-8:5

10:1-11:6

11:15-12:4

12:7-12

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Earth

6:1-8

6:12-7:8

8:6-9:21

11:7-14

12:4-6

12:13-14:1

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SOVEREIGNTY

➤ Over Heavens



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“Come Up...”



- 1. John as Symbol**
- 2. John Raptured**
- 3. John's Vision**

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common but in some contexts =
divine necessity

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Divine Sovereignty

SOVEREIGNTY



➤ **Over Heavens**

➤ **Over Revelation**

➤ **Over History**

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Resolution for evil

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 - 2) Worthy One on Throne** 4:2-3

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IN THE SPIRIT

(εν πνευματι [en pneumatī])

1. **At Patmos -** **Messiah (1:10)**
2. **In Heaven -** **Judgments (4:2)**
3. **In Wilderness -** **Babylon (17:3)**
4. **On Mountain -** **Bride (21:10)**

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GOD'S THRONE

➤ **Eternal -**

Heb 1:8

➤ **Heavenly -**

Act 7:49

➤ **With Christ -**

Heb 8:1

➤ **Judgment - 6:16, 20:11-12**

➤ **Millennial (earth) - Mt 25:31**



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SOVEREIGNTY



- **Over Heavens**
- **Over Revelation**
- **Over History**
- **In Reigning**
- **Over Destinies**
- **In Judgment**

Sea of Galilee

Since our Lord is
SOVEREIGN, we can
rest in confidence in all
He brings our way!!!