EVERY EYE SHALL SEE HIM REV. 1:7,8

Introduction:

- A. This is a revelation of Jesus Christ.
 - Some believe it to be a chronological calendar of end-time events.
 - It is Jesus Christ's work as Head of the Churches and coming Prince of the kings of the earth.
- B. These verses teach us that He is coming.
 - 1. This a general announcement.
 - 2. Many of specifics will be noted later.
- I. "BEHOLD, HE COMETH WITH CLOUDS."
 - A. Jesus went up in a cloud.
 - 1. Acts 1:9-11, "a cloud received Him..."
 - 2. Clouds are a symbol of God's majesty.
 - B. He shall return in clouds.
 - Matt. 24:29-30, "They shall see the Son of man coming in clouds and great glory."
 - 2. Matt. 26:64, "coming in clouds of heaven."
 - C. The order of His coming.
 - 1. The coming of Jesus for the saved. I Thess. 4:13-18
 - a. The dead in Christ shall rise first.
 - b. The living saved shall be translated.
 - The coming of Jesus at the end of seven years of tribulation. II Thess. 2:1-12.
 - D. "The rest of the dead lived not until the 1,000 years were finished..." Rev. 20:5
 - 1. Saved or lost, He is coming!
- II. "AND EVERY EYE SHALL SEE HIM."

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- A. This is the end of the age, every living person will see Him.
 - 1. Two in the field. Matt. 24:40.
 - 2. Two grinding at the mill. Matt. 24:40.
- B. The eyes of the world will be on Jesus.
 - 1. The eye of the saved faithful. Luke 21:34-36.
 - 2. The eye of the saved unfaithful.
 - 3. The eye of the lost person.

III. "AND THEY ALSO WHICH PIERCED HIM."

- A. These are the most unlikely of all.
 - 1. pierced = ekkenteo to pierce through.
 - John 19:37, "another scripture saith."
 - a. Psalm 22:16. The gentiles.
- B. The Jewish nation will see Him.
 - 1. Zech. 12:9-14. [853]
- IV. "AND ALL KINDREDS OF EARTH SHALL WAIL BECAUSE OF HIM."
 - A. The state of the world.
 - kindreds = phule a union of individuals into a community or into a state, a class of people.
 - wail = kopto to beat one's breast, to cut ones self, expression of grief.
 - B. "Even so, Amen."
 - The coming of Jesus will bring the greatest grief the world has ever known.
 - a. The plagues, droughts, the wars.
 - b. The floods, earthquakes.
 - No more sentimental sobbing of "Please wait a little longer, dear Jesus."
 - 3. In spite of all this, Come on!

V. THE GUARANTEE OF HIS COMING.

- A. "I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord."
 - 1. The first and last letters of the Greek Alphabet.
 - 2. God is eternal.
 - 3. The beginning of time, not God.
- B. "which is."
 - 1. God is now.
 - 2. The future is now, with God.
- C. "and which was."
 - 1. God was.
 - God is from everlasting.
- D. "and which is to come."
 - 1. He will come.
 - He will come in Christ Jesus.
- E. "the Almighty."
 - 1. He is all-powerful.
- IV. THE GOOD THINGS THIS TRUTH WILL DO FOR US.
 - A. It will: for the Christian.
 - 1. Encourage faithfulness.
 - 2. Lead us to avoid deception.
 - 3. Urge us to watchfulness.
 - 4. Encite expectation.
 - 5. Impart comfort.
 - 6. Inspire hope.
 - 7. Stimulate us to patience.
 - 8. Strengthen us to suffer.
 - Encourage us to obedience.
 - 10. Stimulate us to prayer.

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- B. It will: for the lost.
 - 1. Be an eternal witness.
 - 2. Establish an undeniable witness.
 - 3. Pin point a specific need.
 - 4. Create healthy guilt.
 - 5. Plant seeds of God-honoring fear.
 - 6. Be the first of step in seeking God.