

# *Your Personal Bible Reading Guide*

YEAR 2: NEW TESTAMENT  
ACTS, EPISTLES, AND REVELATION

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Revelation 1-3

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Bible Project Book Overview: <https://bibleproject.com/explore/video/revelation-1-11/>

1. Author and audience: Setting/occasion/purpose of writing this Book.
  - a. Who is the author?
  - b. Who is the author's primary audience?
  - c. What is the author's situation?
  - d. What is his audience's situation?
  - e. Why did the author write this Book?
2. Does knowledge of the setting, occasion, and purpose help inform our interpretation of a text? Why or why not?
3. Bible scholars tell us that the genre (literary style/category) of this Book is "apocalyptic." What comes to your mind when you hear the word "Apocalypse"?
4. Does knowledge of a text's genre affect the way we should interpret the text? Why or why not?
5. The Greek word "apocalypse" is used in 1:1; it is usually translated "revelation." It means that something which was hidden is being revealed, like lifting the lid off a box, pulling back a curtain, or opening a door. What is something that was hidden which is revealed by Chapters 2-3 of this Book?
6. How do you think we are intended to come away from an encounter with The Revelation of Jesus Christ?
  - a. Fearful? b. Confused? c. Inspired? d. Comforted? e. Enriched? f. Something else?
7. Have you had any of the above reactions to reading Chapters 1-3 of this Book? Explain.

