Revelation 1

Alte englische Darby-Übersetzung



1 Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave to him, to shew to his bondmen what must shortly take place; and he signified it, sending by his angel, to his bondman John, **2** who testified the word of God, and the testimony of Jesus Christ, all things that he saw.

3 Blessed is he that reads, and they that hear the words of the prophecy, and keep the things written in it; for the time is near. **4** John to the seven assemblies which are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is, and who was, and who is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before his throne; **5** and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us, and has washed us from our sins in his blood, **6** and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father: to him be the glory and the might to the ages of ages. Amen. **7** Behold, he comes with the clouds, and every eye shall see him, and they which have pierced him, and all the tribes of the land shall wail because of him. Yea. Amen. **8** I am the Alpha and the Omega, saith the Lord God, he who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.

9 I John, your brother and fellow-partaker in the tribulation and kingdom and patience, in Jesus, was in the island called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus. **10** I became in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a great voice as of a trumpet, **11** saying, What thou seest write in a book, and send to the seven assemblies: to Ephesus, and to Smyrna, and to Pergamos, and to Thyatira, and to Sardis, and to Philadelphia, and to Laodicea. **12** And I turned back to see the voice which spoke with me; and having turned, I saw seven golden lamps, **13** and in the midst of the seven lamps one like the Son of man, clothed with a garment reaching to the feet, and girt about at the breasts with a golden girdle: **14** his head and hair white like white wool, as snow; and his eyes as a flame of fire; **15** and his feet like fine brass, as burning in a furnace; and his voice as the voice of many waters; **16** and having in his right hand seven stars; and out of his mouth a sharp two-edged sword going forth; and his countenance as the sun shines in its power. **17** And when I saw him I fell at his feet as dead; and he laid his right hand upon me, saying, Fear not; *I* am the first and the last, **18** and the living one: and I became dead, and behold, I am living to the ages of ages, and have the keys of death and of hades. **19** Write therefore what thou hast seen, and the things that are, and the things that are about to be after these. **20** The mystery of the seven stars which thou hast seen on my right hand, and the seven golden lamps. --The seven stars are angels of the seven assemblies; and the seven lamps are seven assemblies.