

# REVELATION

A large aircraft carrier is shown from a high-angle perspective, sailing on a choppy sea. The ship's deck is visible, with several aircraft parked. The word 'REVELATION' is written in large, 3D, blue and red gradient letters across the top right of the image.

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



# 7 CHURCHES

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1. Ephesus - left 1<sup>st</sup> love
  2. Smyrna - persecuted
  3. Pergamum - compromised
  4. Thyatira - apostasy
  5. Sardis - dead



# PHILADELPHIA

## 1. Circumstances



Alasehir from Acropolis





Thyatira

Pergamum

Smyrna

Sardis

Philadelphia

Ephesus







**Pergamum**

**Thyatira**

Manisa

**Smyrna**

**Sardis**

**Philadelphia**

**Ephesus**

Aydin

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# View to South from Acropolis





# Unexcavated Theater





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# Church of St John Columns









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**adj form - 28x**

**absolute truth, reality**

**Jn 7:28, 17:3, Rev 19:11**



A wooden cross stands on a grassy hill in the foreground. The background is a vast landscape of rolling hills covered in a thick layer of white clouds, creating a 'sea of clouds' effect. The sky is a mix of orange, yellow, and blue, indicating a sunset or sunrise. The cross is made of two dark wooden beams.

# Faithfulness

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  - a. Death & Hades - 1:18**
  - b. Judgment - 5:5**
  - c. Heaven & earth - Mt 28:18**
  - d. Kingdom - 3:7**



**“As the Davidic heir, Jesus sits in and rules from heaven ... The rule is extended from the Father to the disciple through the Son, the one who in Revelation 3:7 says he has ‘the key of David.’ ... Here Jesus refers to himself as ‘the one who has the key of David,’ a phrase that contains a present participle ... ‘the one who has.’ This is currently held Davidic authority.”**

**Darrell Bock**



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  4. Keep - τηρέω (tereo)  
1<sup>st</sup> - kept by obeying
- Jn 14:23-24, 15:13-15**

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**5. (Complaint) - 3:9**

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**3:9** ‘Behold, I will cause those of the synagogue of Satan, who say that they are Jews and are not, but lie—I will make them come and bow down at your feet, and make them know that I have loved you.



A photograph of the Sea of Galilee at sunset. The sun is a bright, glowing orb on the right side of the horizon, casting a long, shimmering reflection across the water. In the middle ground, a long pier with several arched metal truss sections extends from the left towards the center. The water is dark blue with gentle ripples. The sky is a gradient of orange and yellow near the horizon, fading into a pale blue at the top. The overall mood is peaceful and serene.

Sea of Galilee

**Faithfulness to our Lord  
results in maximum  
blessing!!!**