

# Epilogue

Looking back at the Tree of Interpretation and realising I was once sitting on one of those branches with no idea of the deception I was surrounded by, I am in awe again of His Amazing Grace. I am thankful for this time of peace whereby we can get ourselves sorted on this matter. I know the seriousness of the warning in Paul's letter to Timothy is real (2 Timothy 2:18) and that a great number may be caused to stumble. My hope is that through this teaching, that number will be greatly reduced.

Now beware and proceed with utmost caution as I'm about to offer my opinion. I believe we have but a few options: Jettison the Book of Revelation on the basis of the unspoken opinion of the majority of the Christian Community that has inwardly declared every other opinion other than their own is heresy; Jettison the Book of Revelation on the testimony of the Reformers who declared that it is neither apostolic nor prophetic (Luther), that it finds a man mad or leaves a man mad (Calvin) and that it is not a book of the Bible (Zwingli); Jettison the Book of Revelation simply because it is heresy; Or jettison my book and stay with your preferred heresy . . .

But seriously, where do we go from here? What do you do with this kind of information? Well, whatever you do: **don't run around telling everyone you know that Revelation is heresy**, even if this is the understanding you have come to. At least not right away. You are going to have to walk in wisdom, lest you undermine people's faith in God's Word. You sometimes have to acknowledge the truth that it does contain (there are at least a couple of nuggets), realising all the while that it is a terrible mixture of truth and error (mostly error). If you thrust this revelation on some people, they will simply WRITE YOU OFF AS A HERETIC, and as a consequence you may cut off the possibility of imparting to them the essential truths of the Gospel concerning who they are in Christ and who He is in them. Been there done that. Being wise as a serpent and gentle as doves also applies in this situation.

Without a clear understanding of the New Creation and the fullness of the Gospel, the average pew sitter will simply not get it and you will be wasting your time sharing things about Judah and Israel let alone the Revelation of Revelation. This may require you to sidestep talking about Revelation altogether in order to establish repentance and faith and hope and love and joy and peace in the hearts of those with whom you are interacting. Your time may be better spent teaching them the fundamentals of the Gospel that will enable them to walk by faith and experience the reality of the indwelling Holy Spirit. After all, it is He that will lead them into the truth. Amen.

Most people would need to read Every Believers Prophecy Guide first, and when they understand God's Prophetic Roadmap, introduce them to this book and pray for them and save yourself a lot of conflict. For those of you that have bypassed The Prophetic Destiny of Judah, Israel and The Kingdom of God (the subtitle of the above mentioned book), congratulations if you are still with me. You will certainly enjoy what that chronological exposition of Bible Prophecy reveals. It will certainly fill in a few gaps in your prophetic understanding of God's plan for the latter days. If you just want to read it, its available free to read or download, just go to [livingandlovingbyfaith.com](http://livingandlovingbyfaith.com) and follow the prompts. You will also find the option to purchase a copy on that site if you so desire.

I've decided not to cut Revelation out of my Bible. Instead, I've surrounded every page with notes and references that should I find myself needing to answer challenging questions, I will be well prepared to substantiate what I know in my heart to be true. Under most circumstances, when the Book of Revelation comes up from time to time, I now sidestep the issue by explaining, as gently as possible, that it is better to establish doctrine from the Scriptures that are easily understood rather than from symbolic statements which are subject to countless interpretations. That's usually enough to deflect. For example, when people quote from Revelation and put me on the spot as to what I believe, I simply

say there are too many opinions out there and I'm loathe to add my own and I lead them to the plain statements of Jesus and the Apostles. I might ask why they would prefer an interpretation from a unexplained vision rather than the plain words of Jesus, or maybe quote the Scripture that says not to get into disputes over doubtful things (Romans 14:1). As it is written and as I said earlier: Be wise as a serpent and gentle as a dove. When and if I can see that they are ready to read this study, I will then give them my book to read. With some, that may never happen. I will concentrate on establishing their hearts to walk in His love and in the truth of the indwelling Spirit and the New Creation reality which is theirs in Christ.

So then, let us walk in wisdom and speak the truth with kindness and compassion.

Love, joy and peace to you in Jesus Mighty Name.