

COMMENTARY: Another outstanding contrast between the first and second comings of the Son of God that Revelation provides is the contrast of the “lamb” of the OT and the revealed Lamb of Revelation. Same Person, different mission.

FIRST COMING: THE “LAMB” LED TO SLAUGHTER ...

- (Isaiah 53:7 ESV) He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; like a **lamb that is led to the slaughter**, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth.
- (John 1:29 ESV) The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, “Behold, **the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!**”
- (Acts 8:32 ESV) Now the passage of the Scripture that he was reading was this: “Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter and **like a lamb** before its shearer is silent, so he opens not his mouth.”

SECOND COMING: THE REVEALED “LAMB” OF GLORY ...

- (Revelation 5:6 ESV) And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders **I saw a Lamb standing**, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth.
- (Revelation 5:12 ESV) Saying with a loud voice, “**Worthy is the Lamb who was slain**, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!”
- (Revelation 5:13 ESV) And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, “To him who sits on the throne **and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!**”
- (Revelation 6:15–17 ESV) Then the kings of the earth and the great ones and the generals and the rich and the powerful, and everyone, slave and free, hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains, 16 calling to the mountains and rocks, “Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who is seated on the throne, **and from the wrath of the Lamb**, 17 for the great day of their wrath has come, and who can stand?”

An Overview of Revelation:

CHAPTER 1: INTRODUCTION

- Stated purpose and blessing, 1:1-3.
- Greetings and announcement, 1:4-8.
- Commissioning to write and send, 1:9-20.

CHAPTERS 2-3: EVALUATION OF THE SEVEN CHURCHES

- The evaluation of and exhortation to each of the seven churches, 2:1-3:22.

CHAPTERS 4-5: AN OPEN DOOR TO HEAVEN, A THRONE AND A SCROLL

- Exaltation of Him who is seated on the throne, 4:1-11.
- The Lamb is declared worthy to take the scroll, 5:1-14.

CHAPTERS 6-19: JUDGMENTS AND WAR

- The Lamb opens the seals of the scroll and begins his final judgment of Earth, 6:1-19:21.

CHAPTER 20: MILLENNIAL KINGDOM AND GREAT WHITE THRONE

- Satan is bound and Christ rules on the Earth for a thousand years, 20:1-6.
- Satan is released, defeated and cast into the lake of fire, 20:7-10.
- All the dead are brought to stand before the throne and are thrown into the lake of fire, 20:11-5.

CHAPTERS 21-22: NEW HEAVEN AND NEW EARTH

- The new heaven and new earth are presented and described, 21:1-22:5.
- Final exhortations, blessing and warnings from the Lord Jesus, 22:6-19.