

**Visions on Patmos**  
**Dan.7:9-14; Rev.1:9-20**

0.0 Introduction

- 0.1 Greek island of Patmos in Aegean Sea: 13sq miles, 40miles SW of Miletus in Turkey; 3k residents
- 0.2 Church/shrine to John – maybe. Exile under Domitian (AD81-96 – Rev.1:9) – maybe...
- 0.3 Whatever the specifics, a Lord's Day vision (1:10)

1.0 Visions of Biblical History

- 1.1 Sight and sound of something heavenly
- 1.2 Granted, not seized (1:11)
- 1.3 Unearthly and holy in nature
- 1.4 Visions in the Bible: Abraham's dream (Gen.15); Jacob's dream (Gen28:10-16); Moses on Sinai (Ex.34:1-8); Isaiah's vision & call (Is.6); Daniel's vision of "One like "Son of Man" (Dan.7; also Dan.8.); Jesus' transfiguration (Matt.17:1-8); Paul's glimpse into "3<sup>rd</sup> heaven" (II Cor.12:1-7)

2.0 Visions into Holiness

- 2.1 Holiness involves *purity + separation*
- 2.2 God *is* "holy, holy, holy" (Is.6:3)
- 2.3 John's vision of a holy Jesus:
  - vv.12-13 – "Son of Man"
  - v.13 – radiant clothing (Ex.28)
  - vv.14-15 – glorious appearance (Dan.7:9; Matt.17:2)
  - v.16 – double-edged sword (Heb.4:12-13)
  - v.17 – "first and last" (// 1:4,8 = Alpha/Omega; Who Is, He Was, Who-is-to-Come)
  - v.18 – once dead, now very much alive
  - all - 1:12-20; 5:9-14; 14:1-5; 19:5-10; 20:4; 21:23; 22:10-17
- 2.4 God's *renders* people holy (Lev.20:7; Deut.7:6)

3.0 Experiencing Holiness – It Changes People.

*Next week - (Sept.15) – "The Other Letter to Ephesus" – Rev.2:1-7*