"Revelation – King of Kings and Lord of Lords (6): Things to Come – Framework for Interpretation" (Rev 4:1)

Review: 3 Major Sections of the book of Revelation (Rev 1:19)

- Section 1: "What John had seen" (Chap 1)
- Section 2: "What is now" (Chaps 2-3): 7 Letters to the 7 Churches in Asia Minor The 7 Letters are Meant for <u>All</u> Churches in the Present Church Age
- Section 3: "what will take place later" (Chaps 4-22)

Today: Outline a Structure of God's Future Program based on relevant passages from the OT and NT

| I. | God's Program as Revealed in the OT (Daniel 9:24-27) |
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| | A. A period of 70x7's (490 years) has been Decreed before God will Israel (v. 24-25) |
| | B. The "70x7's" consists of 2 Stages |
| | 1. Stage 1 – "69x7's" (483 years; v 26a): Starts at a Decree to rebuild Jerusalem (Mar 5, 444 BC), and ends in a Significant Event when "the Anointed One will be" (Mar 30, 33 AD) |
| | Time Interval between these 2 Events is Exactly (30 days/month) – Literally Fulfilling the Prophecy! |
| | 2. Stage 2 – "Final 7 years" (v 27): Starts when a is Confirmed, and ends when a "Future Ruler" who Opposes God is Destroyed |
| | Final 7 years: 2 segments of 3-½ years; in the "middle of the '7'", the "Future Ruler" will reveal his |
| | 3. The "Gap" period of Unspecified Length in between the 2 Stages (v 26b) |
| | Future Events in Rev 4-19 will correspond to the |
| II. | . God's Program as Revealed in the NT |
| | A. God's Plan in the "Mysterious Gap": Establishment of the (Matt 16:18) |
| | B. The Nature and Commission of the Church: Gentiles and Jews will become One as God's in the Church Age (Eph 3:2-6) |
| | C. Duration of the "Mysterious Gap": The Church Age Began on, and will Conclude at the (Acts 2:1-4; 1 Thess 4:13-18) |
| | D. How is the Rapture of the Church related to the Final 7 years (1 Thess 5:1-6)? |
| | Believers will be Raptured before the "Sudden Destruction" |
| II | I."Come up here": a reference to the Rapture of the Church (Rev 4:1) |
| | Jesus is Coming Soon to receive the Church in the Rapture! Don't Miss it! What is your Priority in life? |

Answers: All; Restore; Cut Off; 173,880 days/483 years; 7-year Treaty; True Identity; Gap; Final 7 years; Church; Chosen Witnesses; Pentecost; Rapture