## **Bereans Bible Institute Module XI – Revelation**

## Lesson 27 – Introduction to Revelation 12-14

- I. Parenthetical portions of Revelation anticipate questions that arise from what has just been taught, and answer them in detail.
  - A. John's 5 books ALL were intended to reinforce Paul's prior teaching
  - B. John introduces no new Christian doctrines; the Christian Faith was settled with the last letters written by Peter and Paul while they awaited execution in Rome.
    - 1. Jude, writing shortly after this and the destruction of Jerusalem states that the pastors should "earnestly contend for the Faith which was once for all delivered to the saints (by Peter, Apostle to the Jews, and Paul, Apostle to the Gentiles)
  - C. Paul was given visions and revelation similar to John's decades before (2 Cor. 12:1-9).
    - 1. What Paul learned through those visions was included in his later epistles
  - D. The parenthetical portion between 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Seal (the 144,000 Jewish remnant), answers the natural question, "<u>How will the remnant of Israel that Paul spoke</u> <u>about in Romans 11 survive the 7 Seals</u>?"
  - E. The parenthetical portion between 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Trumpets (the rebuilt Temple, the worshippers {144,000} and the two prophets, answers the question, "How can Israel repent and God take away their sins and restore "all [12 tribes of] Israel" which Paul spoke about in Romans 11?"
  - F. Parenthetical portion Rev. 12 answers the natural question, <u>"How will God spare US Christians {both Jew and Gentile} from His wrath during these plagues?"</u>
    - 1. John answers this question by appealing to Paul's teaching in Galatians 3-4, to be addressed in the next lesson.