

# LESSON 1 — THE KING AMONG THE LAMPSTANDS

Revelation 1:1–20

**Theme:** Before Christ reveals the events of history, He first reveals Himself. The opening chapter unveils the risen and reigning Christ who walks among His churches and holds the churches' messengers/pastors.

## The Revelation Given to the Church



Divine disclosure, not human speculation.

## THE TRIUNE GREETING (1:1–8)

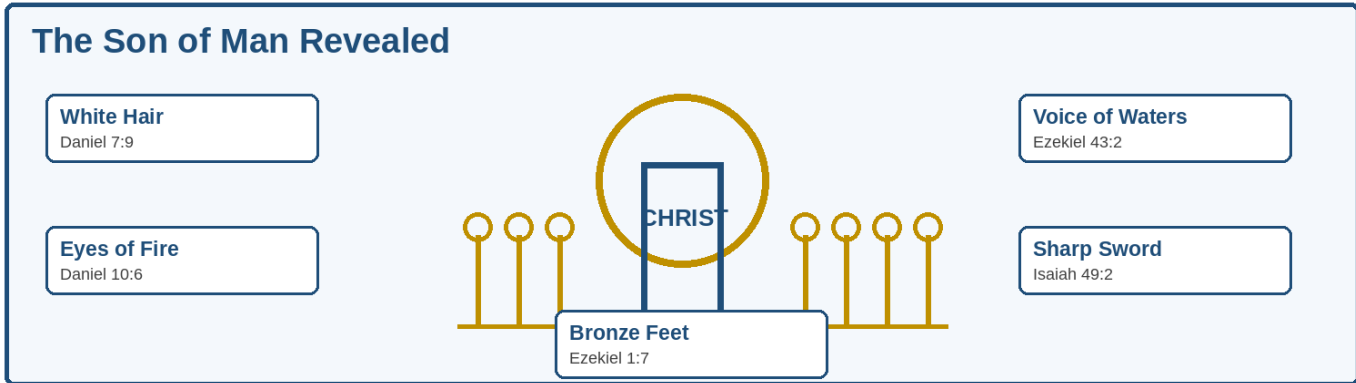
Person / Description	OT Reference	Class Notes
Father — Who is, was, and is to come	Exodus 3:14	_____
Spirit — Seven Spirits before the throne	Isaiah 11; Zechariah 4	_____
Son — Faithful Witness / Ruler of Kings	Psalms 2; Daniel 7	_____

**Seven in Revelation:** Seven marks God's dealings with the earth, whether in judgment or in mercy.

**Discussion:** How would this greeting comfort Christians facing persecution? \_\_\_\_\_

# THE SON OF MAN REVEALED

Revelation 1:9–16



## Old Testament Connections:

Description	Old Testament Source	Meaning / Class Notes
Son of Man	Daniel 7	Messianic King
White Hair	Daniel 7:9	_____
Eyes of Fire	Daniel 10:6	_____
Bronze Feet	Ezekiel 1:7	_____
Voice of Waters	Ezekiel 43:2	_____
Sharp Sword	Isaiah 49:2	_____
Lampstands	Exodus 25	_____

**Discussion:** Why do you suppose John fell down like a dead man? \_\_\_\_\_

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Why is Jesus' description of Himself of such great comfort in response? \_\_\_\_\_

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# THE KING AMONG THE LAMPSTANDS

Revelation 1:17–20

## Coming with the Clouds



The pierced and risen Christ presently exercises His reign in mercy and judgment.

**Key Question:** Why is Christ pictured among the lampstands rather than above them?

## COMING WITH THE CLOUDS

Passage	Meaning
Isaiah 19:1	_____
Daniel 7:13–14	_____
Zechariah 12:10	_____
Revelation 1:7	_____

**Summary:** Christ is presently \_\_\_\_\_; His churches are His \_\_\_\_\_; He governs through His \_\_\_\_\_.