## **Revelation Fact Sheet**

- 1. Revelation The title comes from the Greek word "apocalypse" which means to uncover, to reveal.
- 2. John The writer of the book of Revelation was the apostle John.
- 3. Patmos This is an island located about 40 miles off the coast of the province of Asia. This was a maximum security island that was used to incarcerate criminals.
- 4. Asia Not the continent of Asia but a Roman province along the western coast of Asia Minor. This is present-day Turkey.
- 5. Firstborn from the dead Jesus was the first to physically die then was raised from the dead not to die again. Example, Lazarus died. and was resurrected from the dead. But Lazarus died again.
- 6. Kings and priests The understanding is that God has made the believers in Jesus Christ a kingdom of priests or a nation of priests.
- 7. Alpha and Omega Alpha is the first letter and Omega is the last letter of the Greek alphabet. It is a way of saying that Jesus is the First and the Last. He is also the Word of God.
- 8. Which is, and which was, and which is to come This is a description of Jesus. He is the everlasting God who has always existed and always will exist as the Almighty.

- **9. Seven churches -** The number 7 is symbolic for completeness. The 7 churches represent the complete church.
- 10. Seven stars The stars represented the angels of the seven churches. The angels could either be heavenly beings that were assigned to the churches. Or the angels could had been the key messengers of the churches, like the Pastor. Angel means messenger.
- 11. Seven candlesticks Also called the seven lampstands. They represent the seven churches.
- 12. Lord's Day The seventh day 0f the week, Saturday is the sabbath day. The first day of the week, Sunday is the Lord's day.
- 13. Son of Man This was a title of Jesus that spoke of His humanity and as the Messiah.