

Genesis and Revelation

Compared and Contrasted

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The Bible is a complete and balanced whole. As the Word of God, the Scriptures predictably reveal superb planning and organization. We see this clearly in the books of Genesis and Revelation, for Revelation completes the great truths begun in Genesis. Here are some examples given to us by E.W. Bullinger in his *Appendixes to the Companion Bible*:

Genesis is the seed-plot of the whole Bible. It is essential to the true understanding of its every part. It is the foundation on which Divine Revelation rests; and on which it is built up. It is not only the foundation of all Truth, but it enters into, and forms part of all subsequent inspiration; and is at once the warp and woof of Holy Writ.

Genesis is quoted or referred to sixty times in the New Testament; and Divine authority is set like a seal on its historical facts. See Matthew 19:4-6; 24:37-39; Mark 7:4, 10; 10:3-8; Luke 11:49-51; 17:26-29, 32; John 1:51; 7:21-23; 8:44-56.

<u>GENESIS</u>	<u>REVELATION</u>
Genesis, the book of the beginning	Apocalypse, the book of the end
The Earth created (1:1)	The Earth passed away (21:1)
Satan's first rebellion	Satan's final rebellion (20:3, 7-10)
Sun, moon and stars for Earth's government (1:14-16)	Sun, moon and stars, connected with Earth's judgment (6:13; 8:12; 16:8)
Sun to govern the day (1:16)	No need of the sun (21:23)
Darkness called night (1:5)	"No night there" (22:5)

Waters called seas (1:10)	"No more sea" (21:1)
A river for Earth's blessing (2:10-14)	A river for the New Earth (22:1-2)
Man in God's image (1:26)	Man headed by one in Satan's image (13)
Entrance of sin (3)	Development and end of sin (21, 22)
Curse pronounced (3:14, 17)	"No more curse" (22:3)
Death entered (3:19)	"No more death" (21:4)
Cherubim, first mentioned in connection with man (3:24)	Cherubim, finally mentioned in connection with man (4:6)
Man driven out from Eden (3:24)	Man restored (22)
Tree of life guarded (3:24)	"Right to the Tree of Life" (22:14)
Sorrow and suffering enter (3:17)	No more sorrow (21:4)
Man's religion, art and science, resorted to for enjoyment, apart from God (4)	Man's religion, luxury, art and science, in their full glory, judged and destroyed by God (18)
Nimrod, a great rebel and king, and hidden anti-God, the founder of Babylon (10:8-9)	The Beast, the great rebel, a king and manifested anti-God, the reviver of Babylon (13-18)
A flood from God to destroy an evil generation (6-9)	A flood from Satan to destroy an elect generation (12)
The Bow, the token of God's covenant with the Earth (9:13)	The Bow, betokening God's remembrance of His covenant with the Earth (4:3; 10:1)
Sodom and Egypt, the place of corruption and temptation (13, 19)	Sodom and Egypt again: (spiritually representing Jerusalem) (11:8)
A confederacy against Abraham's people overthrown (14)	A confederacy against Abraham's seed overthrown (12)
Marriage of first Adam (2:18-23)	Marriage of last Adam (19)
A bride sought for Abraham's son (Isaac) and found (24)	A Bride made ready and brought to Abraham's Son (19:9). See Matthew 1:1
Two angels acting for God on behalf of His people (19)	Two witnesses acting for God on behalf of His People (11)
A promised seed to possess the gate of his enemies (22:17)	The promised seed coming into possession (11:18)
Man's dominion ceased and Satan's begun (3:24)	Satan's dominion ended, and man's restored (22)
The old serpent causing sin, suffering and death (3:1)	The old serpent bound for 1,000 years (20:1-3)
Sun, moon and stars, associated with Israel (37:9)	Sun, moon and stars, associated again with Israel (12)

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