

REVELATION 38 – HEAVEN'S THRONE

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Revelation 4:2

THE SUBJECT: THIS THRONE

- Koine Greek emphasizes The Throne
 - First usage without definite article {Gk had no indefinite article}
 - Subsequent references have definite article; strong reference back to the Throne alone
- The Throne is the Center of Heaven
 - Twenty-four Thrones subordinately arranged <u>around</u> This Throne
 - The Four Cherubim arranged <u>around</u> This Throne
 - The Iris, the Crystal floor, the exhibitions of Mount Horeb holiness center <u>around</u> The Throne
- Throne represents Authority of The One who established The Throne {Middle Voice}
 - Christ does not exercise His Will; He does the Father's Will who gave Him authority (In 5:21-23; 10:34-38)
 - Christ does not covet The Throne; when His mission is completed, He relinquishes The Throne to be with us in The New Jerusalem-Earth Creation: Satan-Sinners demand The Throne of Absolute Control forever Not Worthy (1Co 15:2428)

SIN'S REBELLION: CENTERS ON THE THRONE

- Rebellion began in Heaven over who was to sit on This Throne
 - Father monogenesis the Son giving Him The Throne; represents the Father's authority (Ge 1:3-5; Jn 1:1-18; He 1:3-13)
 - Day-Star (Satan) passively reflected The Throne's glory; he coveted self-authority: Pride of Life (Is 14:12-14; Col 3:5; 1Jo 2:15-16)
 - Satan corrupted his calling to serve by rebelling against the Son being given This Throne (Ez 28:11-17)
 - Son confirmed His Calling by <u>not</u> coveting His position AEB taking on Flesh and dying for Man: Worthy (Ph 2:5-11; He 2:14-18)
- Rebellion continued in this Creation {Earth} to prove Son unworthy to Rule (Ge 2:17; 3:1-7; Re 12:7-12)
 - Son fashioned all in heaven and this creation including Day-Star and Man; both of whom sinned (Col 1:15-20)
 - Sinners fashion their own <u>subjective</u> <u>reality</u> without Christ while blaming Christ for their sin: Liars (Ro 1:18-28; 2:1-11; 3:3-18)
 - Rejecting God's Either-Or Truth, Lost or Saved, they resort to Both-And deceitfulness: Light and Dark necessary and equal; i.e., Hermetic Dialectic to show sin as good(?) while defining God's Good as sin (Is 5:18-21; Lk 18:18-19)
 - Christ is Gnosticism's Demiurge: Demented one who created this inferior physical existence—Antichrist(s) (1Jo 2:18-22; 4:1-3; 2Jo 7)

HEAVEN'S REBELLION: MIRRORED IN EARTH'S REBELLION

- Father and Son renounce all Rebellion; especially, to gain authority (1Sa 15:23)
 - Father gave ALL authority to the Son (Jn 3:35-36; 5:19-29)
 - Son gave authority to Adam over the Earth; implied, to be guided by the Son (Ge 1:26-30)
 - Adam rebelled rejecting Son's Gnosis and grasping for Satan's Promise of superior Gnosis (Ge 2:17; 3:5; 1Ti 2:14)
 - Christ chose Abel (Worthless) to succeed Adam; Cain (Given), under Satan's influence, murdered Abel to gain Authority and set up his own rulership: Cities which require Controlling Laws (Government): Rebellion (Ge 4:1-17)
 - Cain-Lamach's violent society refused to disperse and threatened to remove all trace of Christ's Redemption Gnosis; thus, å the Father ended the First Age with Noah's Cataclysm that separated the Land Masses (Ge 6-8)
- Second Age Begins by Repeating Errors of the First Age
 - Man refused to disperse and consolidated under one King, Nimrod, who was rebellious toward God (Ge 9:1-7; 10:8-12)
 - Christ dispersed them by giving them differing gnosises {AEB languages}; sin <u>hates</u> diversity (Ge 11:1-9)

HEAVEN'S THRONE: MIRRORED IN DAVID'S THRONE

- People began forming various civilizations under kings {Thrones} which warred against each other for Control; but Christ chose the least of all peoples for Himself: Hebrews (De 7:6-8)
 - Called Abraham who eventually believed God to become Father of ALL believers [Abrahamic Covenant) (Ge 15; Ro 4; Ga 3:7-14)
 - Hebrews enslaved in Egypt; God sent Moses who demonstrated Pharaoh impotence as god: Pharaoh eventually <u>voluntarily</u> ejected the Hebrews: They were now directly under Christ's authority {Only Theocracy} (Ex 5:1-2; 12:29-32; 20:1-21)
 - Later, Hebrews demanded a King {Throne} like Gentiles {Not of God}; elected Saul whom God rejected (15a 8:4-18; 10:17-24; 15:23)
 - God raised up David but prevented him from rebelling-killing Saul; all tribes eventually elected David (1Sa 16:1-13; 31:; 2Sa 4; 5:1-5)
- God told David his descendant will sit on eternal Throne {Davidic Covenant} (2Sa 7:8-25)
 - David's earthly descendants proved unworthy {Babylon Captivity} but the line continued AEB genealogies (Mt 1:1-17; Lk 3:23-38)
 - Isaiah described His government {Millennial Kingdom Eternal Creation}; earthly Throne extension of heavenly Throne (Is 9:6-7; 42:1-9; Ro 13:1-8)
 - When Christ returns, He will reclaim His earthly Throne, not in rebellion but from the rebellious (Is 42:10-17; Ze 14; Re 19)

HEAVEN'S THRONE: RECALCITRANT REALITY

- Father, authority behind The Throne, never repented choosing His Son, Faithful unto Death
- Satan stands judged already and will do everything to prevent fulfillment as he revealed in reference to Job; speaking from his own experience and fear (Job 2:3-4; Mt 8:28-29; Re 12:12; 20:10)
- Great Tribulation is not about who sits on The Throne
 - This Day I have begotten You...All angels worship Him...Throne is forever...You Loved Righteousness (He 1:5-13)
- Great Tribulation displays the futileness of Sinners' Subjective Imaginations in the face of Father's-Son's Recalcitrant Objective Reality
 - Sinners' scoff, "Where is the promise of His coming?" (2Pe 3:3-4)
 - Revelation answers that question displaying the changes they previously denied (2Pe 3:5-7)
 - Father-Christ take no pleasure in death of sinners; Revelation a merciful warning so those who read may repent and be saved: Throne reserved for the Rock, Christ, which sinners reject (Ps 118:22-24; Is 28:16; Da 2:44-45; 7:13-14; Ez 33:11)