

## **I. How We Are Going to Study This Book.**

# *Revelation* *Bible Study*

1. Look at How we Interpret Scripture
2. Understand Revelation in the Context
3. Look at the History of How Revelation has been Interpreted
4. View the Various Ways Revelation has been interpreted
5. Go Verse by Verse looking at all Interpretations

## **II. How We Interpret Scripture**

### **1. World Behind the Text**

- a. What was the World like when this book was written and what was the world like to whom the letter was written.
- b. Some of the Things to Look at:
  - i. Political system, Economic system, History of the region and of the people, Customs and predominate values of the day.

### **2. World of the Text**

- a. What is the text itself like.
- b. Some Things to Look for:
  - i. Genre, Context, Characters, Plots

### **3. World in Front of the Text**

- a. What do you Bring to the text.
- b. Some Things to Look for:
  - i. Your upbringing, your lot in life, your values

## **III. World Behind the Text for Revelation**

### **1. Rome as an Empire**

- a. Extent of Rome and How it went about conquering
- b. It was Popular in many areas.

### **2. The Emperor Cult**

- a. Grassroots effort
- b. Assimilated other religions
- c. Emperor Domitian took to a new level
- d. Everything Tied Together

### **3. Christians and Rome**

- a. Life for a Christian

### **4. Christians and Jews**

- a. Long History of the Jewish People and the Circle around Wagons mentality

### **5. How Would the Christians Respond?**

- a. Quit
- b. Lie
- c. Fight
- d. Adjust your life
- e. Die