

Revelation: A Theology of Christ in Outline Form

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In Revelation, John presents the glorified Christ. A theology of Christ in Revelation can be outlined as follows.

1. He is the Historical Jesus and the Historical Christ
 - a. Called Jesus and Christ (1:9, 11:15; 12:10, 17, 14:12; 20:4, 6)
 - b. An Israelite—Lion of the tribe of Judah and Root of David (5:5-7)
 - c. Has twelve apostles (21:14)
 - d. Slain (11:8)
 - e. Resurrected (1:5, 18)
 - f. Ascended (3:21; 12:5)

2. He is the Glorious Christ
 - a. Like the son of man in Daniel, who receives glory, honor, and a kingdom (Dan. 7:13; 1:7)
 - b. Faithful witness, firstborn from the dead, ruler over earthly kings (1:5)
 - c. Glory and dominion due Him (1:6)
 - d. Ruler of the nations; Patient but wrathful ruler of His kingdom (1:5)
 - e. Object of worship (5:8-14)
 - f. Source and Giver of Eternal Life and Light (22:1-5)
 - g. Bright and Morning Star (22:16)

3. He is the Pre-existent One
 - a. The Son of Man coming with the clouds (1:7)
 - b. Was and Is, and Is to come
 - c. Alpha and Omega (1:8, 11)
 - d. Beginning and the End (1:8, 11)
 - e. First and Last (1:8, 11)

4. He is the Lamb and the Lion
 - a. Lion of the tribe of Judah, Root of David; Slain Lamb (5:5-7)
 - b. The Lamb of wrath sitting on the throne of judgment (6:16-17)
 - c. Keeper of the Book of Life of the Lamb;
 - d. Slain from the foundation of the world (13:9)
 - e. Fighting and Winning Lamb, riding on a white horse (17:14; 19:11-21)

5. He is the Lover of His Own
 - a. The Bridegroom marrying His bride (19:7; 21:9)
 - b. Celebrates with His bride in the marriage supper of the Lamb (19:7; 21:9)
 - c. Lover of His people (3:9; 20:9)
 - d. Rewarder of the faithful overcomer (22:7, 12, 14)

Below is a verse by verse outline in table format of how John presents Christ and how Christ acts in Revelation.

<i>Text</i>	<i>How Christ is Presented</i>	<i>How Christ Acts</i>
1:1; 22:16	Exalted and Authoritative	Reveals of Prophecy
		Receives of Prophecy from God
		Sends His Angels (22:16)
1:5	Faithful witness, Firstborn from the dead, ruler over earthly kings	Loves His people; washes their sins in His blood; makes them kings and priests
1:6	Glory and dominion in Him	
1:7	Pierced in humility; coming in glory	Coming with clouds
1:8, 11	Alpha and Omega; Beginning and the End; Pre-existent, Coming Ruler	Came the first time; coming the second time
1:9	Jesus Christ, Patient Ruler of His kingdom	
1:11		Gives the prophecy and commands
1:13	Clothed with garment; having a golden band around the chest	
1:14	Head and hair white as wool; eyes like flaming fire	
1:15	Feet like fine brass; voice as sound of many waters	
1:16	Face like the shining sun	Holds seven stars; out of His mouth, a sharp two-edged sword
1:17	Dead but now alive	Assures John by applying an OT name for Yahweh to Himself; holds the keys of hades and death; accepts John's worship
2-3		Knows the church's works, patience, and fight against evil; Cites His complaint against the church; Calls for repentance, warns judgment, but promises rewards; loves His people (3:9; 20:9)
5:5-7	Lion of the tribe of Judah, Root of David; Slain Lamb having seven horns and seven eyes	Opens the scroll and looses the seven seals
5:8-14	Object of worship of the twenty-four elders, angels,	Receives honor, glory, and worship from everyone

	living creatures, elders, and every creature of heaven and earth; the worthy Lamb	
6:16-17	The Lamb of wrath sitting on the throne of judgment	Executes His wrath on the powerful and powerless people of the earth
7:9-15	The Lamb who stands in the midst of the throne	Receives praise and worship from people of the great tribulation, angels, and elders; washes the robes of tribulation people by His blood
7:16-17	The Lamb as Shepherd of His suffering people	Feeds and gives drink to His people
11:15	Co-ruler of the kingdom of the world with God	Reigns with God forever and ever
12:5	A male child; ruler of all nations; caught up to God	Shall rule with a rod of iron
12:10	Powerful	Casts down Satan to the earth
12:11	Overcomer	Overcomes any accusation by His blood
13:9	Owner and Keeper of the Book of Life of the Lamb; slain from the foundation of the world	
14:1-5	The Lamb as Leader of the 144,000	Stands on mount Zion with 144,000
14:14-16	Like the son of man, with a golden crown on His head and a sharp sickle in His hand	Reaps the ripe harvest of the earth
15:3	Lamb with a Song	Sings the song of the lamb to the Lord God Almighty
16:15	Returning Lord who comes like a thief	Comes like a thief, calling for watchfulness for His return
17:14	Fighting and Victorious Lamb; Lord of lords and King of kings	Goes out to war with the ten kings; calls and chooses those who belong to Him
19:7; 21:9	The Lamb as the Bridegroom	Gets married with His bride and eats with her in the marriage supper of the Lamb
19:10	Central character in prophecy	
19:11-21	Faithful and True, sitting on a white horse; eyes like flaming fire; head with many crowns; unknown name; clothed with bloody robe; called the Word of God; sharp sword out of His mouth; on His robe written the	In righteousness He judges and makes war; strikes the nations with His sword; rule over them with a rod of iron; treads the winepress of the fierce wrath of God; captures the beast and the false prophet; casts them alive

	name, King of kings and Lord of Lords	into the lake of fire and brimstone; kills the rest with His sword
20:4	Ruler of the earth	Rules the earth together with believers of the tribulation, for a thousand years
21:6; 22:13	Alpha and Omega; the Beginning and the End; Giver of the fountain of the water of life; God, Father, and Rewarder of the overcomer	Gives the fountain of the water of life to the thirsty; rewards the overcomer with inheritance, exercising fatherhood
21:22-23; 22:5	The Lamb, with Almighty God, as the temple of the new Jerusalem; the Lamb and God as the light of the city	Illuminates the city with His glory
22:1	With God, the Lamb is the Source of the river of water of life	Gives water to the inhabitants of the city
22:2-5	Source of the tree of life; Ruler of the city	Gives eternal life and continuous blessing to His servants and co-rulers of the city; writes His name on their foreheads
22:7,12, 14, 20	Rewarder of everyone	Comes quickly; blesses anyone who obeys the words of the prophecy; rewards everyone according to his work
22:16	Root and Offspring of David; Bright and Morning Star	
22:21	Source of divine grace	Gives grace to all believers