## A FRESH VISION OF JESUS

July 23, 2023 Revelation 1:9-21 by Bob Branch Standing In The Fire, part 3

"the hour of trial that is going to come on the whole world"

Revelation 3:10

When pressure comes, how does the Lord respond?

BIG IDEA: A fresh vision of Jesus will attach us to him, untether us from false beliefs of the present, and infuse us with refreshed trust and power to walk with him thru it and grow.

**READ Revelation 1:9-21 CSB** 

**Relationship**: Brother and Partner

**Affliction** *Thlipsis* (7:14)

God's Kingdom

**Endurance** 

**Patmos** 

Sunday, the Lord's Day

**Behind him** 

Saturated in OT-imagery. (Ex., Ezek., Daniel 7; 10)

Trumpet blast. (Ex. 19:16)

"one like the Son of man." (Dan. 7 & 10)

"suddenly one like a son of man was coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient of Days and was escorted before him. He was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, so that those of every people, nation, and language should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will not be destroyed." **Daniel 7:13-14** 

In the middle of the churches.

His robe is that of a priest. (Ex. 39; Heb. 4:14-15)

His sash is around his chest. (Jn. 19:30)

His robe is also that of a King.

His hair—white as wool, as snow. (Dan 7:9)

White also speaks of purity. (Is. 1:18)

His eyes are like flames of fire. (Dan 10:6)

His feet like glowing, molten bronze. (Dan 10, Ezek. 1:7, Dan 2:42)

His voice like the sound of many waters. (Ezek 1:24)

He holds the 7 stars in his right hand.

From his mouth, a sharp double-edged sword.

"the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart." **Heb 4:12** 

His face shines like the sun at full strength. (Num. 6:24-26)

His Response: Fall down as though dead. (Ezek. 1:28; Jn. 18:6)

The hand that holds the universe touches him.

"Then the one with a human appearance touched me again and strengthened me. He said, "Don't be afraid, you who are treasured by God. Peace to you; be very strong!" As he spoke to me, I was strengthened and said, "Let my lord speak, for you have strengthened me." Daniel 10:15-19

Don't fear. (Dan. 10:12; Mt. 10:28)

I am the first and the last. (Rev. 1:8; 2:8; 21:6; 22:13)

I am the Living One (Dt. 5:26)

I was dead and am now alive forever & ever.

Death itself has been upended by the Resurrection.

**TAKEAWAYS**:

1. This is not Jesus	·
2. This is the One that	(and is for you)
3. Add the	(experience).