

## The PRELUDE



The Firstfruits Spring Harvest ([Holyday 3](#)) is “**The Prelude**” to The Millennium Fall Harvest (Holyday 6). The Creator’s TYPE-ANTITYPE [Strategy](#) dictates that **The Prelude** must be a time of prosperity and health if is to properly picture the Utopia that will exist on earth during The Millennium. **The Prelude** is now upon us!

This article is entitled “**The Prelude**” because that is how [chapters 4 and 5](#) of the Book of Revelation are described on **page 9** of a booklet entitled ‘[The key to the Book of REVELATION](#)’ written in 1952 by Herbert W Armstong (HWA), who pastored what many have considered to be the [Philadelphia 6th Era](#) of God’s Church from 1933-1986.

The *Key* to the Book of REVELATION 9

### CHAPTER OUTLINE of the Book of Revelation

Chapter	The Story Flow	Insets
1)	INTRODUCTION	
2-3)	.....	MESSAGE TO 7 CHURCHES
4-5)	PRELUDE — SETTING	
6)	1st SIX SEALS	
7)	THE TWO COMPANIES	
8-10)	THE TRUMPETS	
11)	THE TWO WITNESSES	
12)	.....	THE TRUE CHURCH
13)	.....	THE TWO BEASTS
14)	.....	THE THREE MESSAGES
15-16)	THE 7 LAST PLAGUES	
17-18)	.....	THE FALSE CHURCH
19)	THE SECOND COMING	
20)	THE MILLENNIUM	
21-22)	THE NEW HEAVEN & THE NEW EARTH	

The use of “**Prelude**” to describe events that occur “**after these things**” of Revelation chapters 2 and 3 (the 7 Church Eras), and events that occur **before** the things of Revelation 6 (the opening of the Six Seals), shows that Revelation chapters 4 and 5 are **SETTING** the stage not only for the events of the Six Seals (leading to the Great Tribulation), but also for the fulfillment of the 7th Seal (the Return of Christ on Holyday 4) and The Millennium Kingdom of God (Holyday 6).

Therefore, IF the **Philadelphia 6th Era** of God’s Church ended in 1986, then that means that we are now, at this time in 2017, living in the **7th Laodicea Era** of God’s Church as described in Revelation 3:14-22.

The **BIG IMPLICATION** that we need to notice then is that **this Laodicea Era ends** with the fulfillment of **Holyday 2 – The Desert Miracle** – The Everlasting Sign mentioned in **Isaiah 55:13** and as **typed** by the Miraculous

## Deliverance of the Israelites from Egypt in the Crossing of the Red Sea on **Abib 20 – The Last (7th) Day of Unleavened Bread – Holyday 2**.

Holyday 2 will trigger The Awakening of a **diversity** of people **from all nations** who are called and chosen by the Father to **gather** to this **Desert Miracle Oasis** and become the Holy Nation – the “Kingdom of Priests” of **Rev 5:9-10** who are prophesied to rule on the earth before Christ’s return!

### **Rev 5:9-10**

*9 And they sang a new song, saying, “Worthy are You to take the book and to break its seals; for You were slain, and **purchased** for God with Your blood **men from every tribe and tongue and people and nation**. 10 “You have made them to be a **kingdom and priests** to our God; and they will **reign upon the earth**.”*

This “**Kingdom of Priests**” is “**The Prelude**” of the “**Kingdom of God**” that will rule the entire world after Christ returns .

### **Rev 11:15**

*15 Then the seventh angel sounded; and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, ” The **kingdom of the world** has become the **kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ**; and He will reign forever and ever.”*

This means that BEFORE both the Great Tribulation and the Return of Christ, there will be a **PROTOTYPE KINGDOM** set up on the earth that will be keeping both the Mosaic Law and the New Testament as **The Prelude** (preview) of God’s Way of LOVE, COOPERATION and HAPPINESS FOR ALL during The Millennium and FOR ETERNITY!

Not only will this PROTOTYPE KINGDOM be a **preview**, it will also be presented as an **opportunity** for all to repent – to change their world view and behavior, IF they wish to escape the further **incentives to change** as described in Revelation as The Great Tribulation and The Day of the Lord.

These “**incentives to change**” can also be seen as “**judgments**” or “penalties”. But judgments cannot be imposed without at least **2 or 3 witnesses** to establish the “facts”.

“**The Prelude**” presents the **2nd and 3rd Witnesses** (Holydays 2 & 3) of the reality of Creation and a Living Creator. The 1st Witness is the Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ as our Passover (**Holyday 1**).

So **‘The Prelude’** is a VERY IMPORTANT TIME for all of us in **THIS GENERATION!**

We will finally have enough “witnesses” to establish the “facts” of **CREATION** and a **CREATOR**.

Holyday 1 presented only **1 witness**.

**The Prelude** now presents **2 more witnesses**.

It will now be reasonable to BELIEVE in CREATION and a CREATOR!

It will also now be reasonable to BELIEVE in HOLYDAY 1 – that WHAT HAPPENED IN 30 A.D. WAS THE LITERAL DEATH AND RESURRECTION OF A MAN WHO WAS A CARPENTER IN NAZARETH WHO REALLY WAS A SUPERNATURAL BEING (“The Son”) WHO REVEALED THE EXISTENCE OF THE OTHER SUPERNATURAL BEING (“The Father”) WHO CREATED ALL THINGS (Rev 4:11) AND WHO TRULY LOVES US AND WANTS US TO BECOME EXACTLY LIKE HIM – AN AUTONOMOUS BEING OF ETERNAL LOVE, LIGHT AND CREATIVITY.

Our job now is to Petition for “**The Prelude**” to be fulfilled NOW in this generation, so that **we** can make this “informed decision” to TRULY BELIEVE in The Father and The Son and in their HOLYDAY PLAN for us to become HIS DIVINE CHILDREN!

**1 Jn 3:1-2**

*1 See **how great a love the Father** has bestowed on us, that we would be called **children of God**; and such **we are**. For this reason the world does not know us, because it did not know Him. 2 Beloved, now we are **children of God**, and it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We know that when He appears, **we will be like Him**, because we will see Him just as He is.*