

When was the Apocalypse written?

With reference to Brother Thomas Gaston's article of the above title ([Jul. 2007, p. 219](#)), I wonder whether Scripture indicates a post-A.D. 70 date for the writing of the Apocalypse. At the conclusion of Daniel 9 we have the destruction of the sanctuary and the fall of the apostate city of Jerusalem (A.D. 70). This is followed in chapter 10 by the vision of the "certain man" (vv. 5,6).

The first chapter of Revelation reveals "one like unto the Son of man", standing among the lampstands (vv. 13-16). He is robed in the same manner as the man of Daniel 10, with variations indicating the glorification of the Lord Jesus Christ. Following the pattern of Daniel 9 and 10, that is, the fall of the city followed by the vision of the man, would this indicate a date for Revelation later than A.D. 70?

Regarding Brother Rees' letter, "The real delusion" (referring to Richard Dawkins' book *The God Delusion*) in the same issue (p. 240), it is interesting that Professor Alistair McGrath, a bio-physicist, has written a book entitled *The Dawkins Delusion*, refuting the arguments of his fellow professor.

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