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# The Seven Churches of Revelation





*Samothrace*

**Asia**

*Aegean Sea*

**Pergamum**

**Thyatira**

**Smyrna**

**Sardis**

**Philadelphia**

**Laodicea**

**Ephesus**

**Patmos**

*Cos*

*Rhodes*

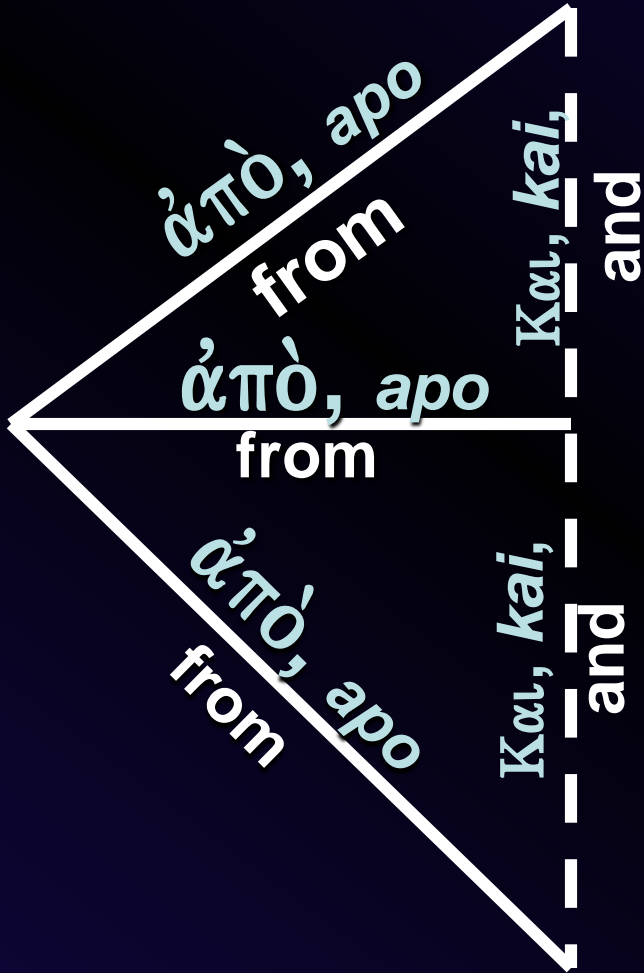
*Crete*

**Revelation 1:4, “John, to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from Him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven Spirits who are before His throne,”**

# Rev. 1:4–5a

*He who is and who was and who is to come (God-F)*

**Grace  
and  
peace**

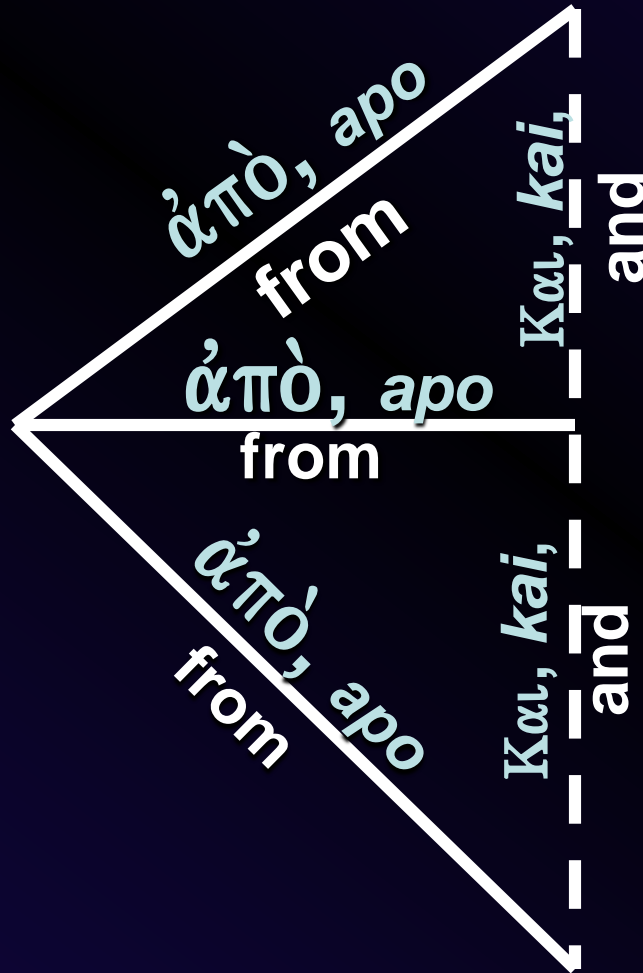




**Exodus 3:14, “And God said to Moses,  
‘I AM WHO I AM.’ And He said, ‘Thus  
you shall say to the children of Israel, “I  
AM has sent me.” ’ ”**

# Rev. 1:4–5a

**Grace  
and  
peace**



*He who is and who  
was and who is to  
come (God-F)*

*The seven spirits  
who are before His  
throne (God-HS)*

**Revelation 3:21, “To him who overcomes I will grant to sit with Me [Jesus Christ] on My throne [yet future], as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne [the current session].”**

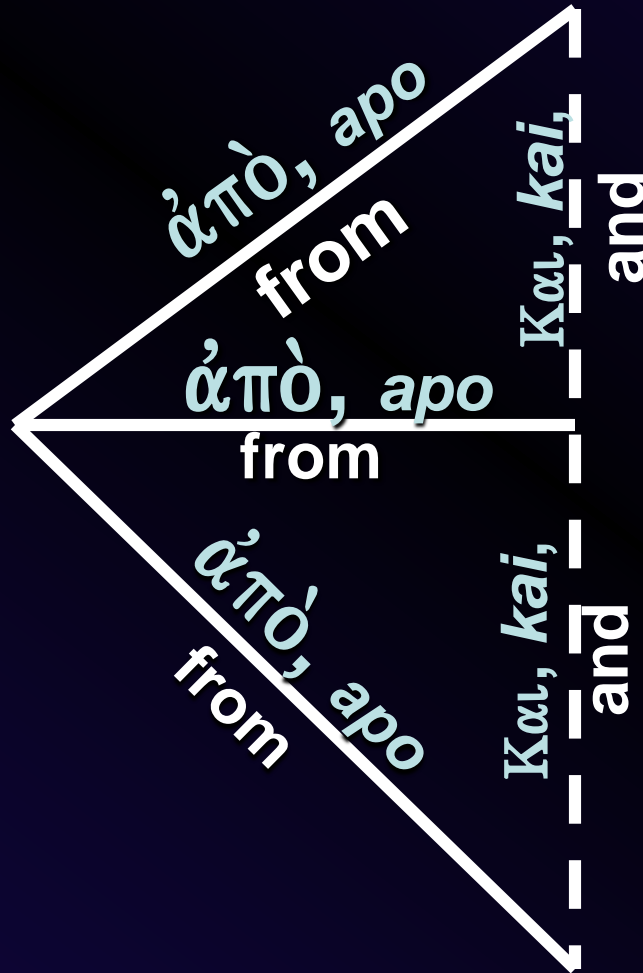


**Revelation 1:5, “and from [*apo*] *Jesus*  
Christ,  
the faithful witness,  
the firstborn from the dead,  
and the ruler over the kings of the  
earth.**

**To Him who loved us  
and washed us from our sins in His  
own blood,”**

# Rev. 1:4–5a

**Grace  
and  
peace**



*He who is and who was and who is to come (God-F)*

*The seven spirits who are before His throne (God-HS)*

*The faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler over the kings of the earth. (God-S)*

**“The Faithful Witness”**

**ὁ μάρτυς ὁ πιστός, *ho martus ho pistos***

**Lament. 3:21, “This I recall to my mind,  
Therefore I have hope.**

**Lament. 3:22, “The LORD’S  
lovingkindnesses indeed never cease,  
Because His compassions fail not.**

**Lament. 3:23, “They are new every  
morning; Great is Your faithfulness.”**



**1 Cor. 1:9, “God is faithful, by whom  
you were called into the fellowship of  
His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.”**

**Hebrews 10:23, “Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful.”**



**Rev. 19:11, “Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war.”**

**Psalm 89:36, “His seed shall endure forever, and his throne as the sun before Me**

**Psalm 89:37, “It shall be established forever like the moon, Even like the faithful witness in the sky. Selah”**



**“The Firstborn from the dead  
[one’s]”**

**ὁ πρωτότοκος τῶν νεκρῶν,  
*ho prototokos ton nekron***

**Colossians 1:18, “And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence.”**

**Acts 26:23, “that the Christ would suffer, that He would be the first to rise from the dead, and would proclaim light to the Jewish people and to the Gentiles.”**

**Romans 1:4, “and declared to be the Son of God with power according to the Spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead.”**



**Acts 2:29, “Men and brethren, let me speak freely to you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his tomb is with us to this day.**

**Acts 2:30, “Therefore, being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that of the fruit of his body, according to the flesh, He would raise up the Christ to sit on his throne,”**

**Acts 2:31, “he, foreseeing this, spoke concerning the resurrection of the Christ, that His soul was not left in Hades, nor did His flesh see corruption.**

**Acts 2:32, “This Jesus God has raised up, of which we are all witnesses.”**

**“The Ruler of the kings of the earth.”**

**ὁ ἄρχων τῶν βασιλέων τῆς γῆς**

***ho archon ton basileon***

**Psalm 89:27, “Also I will make him My firstborn, The highest of the kings of the earth.”**