

Structure of Revelation 6:6–21

First Part	6	Then he said to me, "These words are faithful and true." And the Lord God of the holy prophets sent His angel to show His servants the things which must shortly take place.	
	7	"Behold, I am coming quickly! Blessed is he who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book."	
Second Part	8	Now I, John, saw and heard these things . And when I heard and saw, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel who showed me these things .	
	9	Then he said to me, "See that you do not do that. For I am your fellow servant, and of your brethren the prophets, and of those who keep the words of this book. Worship God."	Beginning of Chiasm
Third Part	10	And he said to me, "Do not seal the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is at hand.	
	11	"He who is unjust, let him be unjust still; he who is filthy, let him be filthy still; he who is righteous, let him be righteous still; he who is holy, let him be holy still."	
	12	"And behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to give to every one according to his work.	
	13	"I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End, the First and the Last."	
	14	Blessed are those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city.	Middle of Chiasm
	15	But outside are dogs and sorcerers and sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and whoever loves and practices a lie.	
	16	"I, Jesus, have sent My angel to testify to you these things in the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, the Bright and Morning Star."	
	17	And the Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let him who hears say, "Come!" And let him who thirsts come. Whoever desires, let him take the water of life freely.	
	18	For I testify to everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: If anyone adds to these things , God will add to him the plagues that are written in this book;	End of Chiasm
	19	and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part from the Book of Life, from the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.	
	20	He who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming quickly." Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus!	
	21	The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.	

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Color Coding

Indicates the three main divisions, each containing the words, “he said to me.”

Indicates the verses containing the word “words” usually followed by “of the prophecy of this book.”
Note that verses 9–10, 14 and 18–19 form a chiasm.

“I am coming quickly.”

Jesus saying, “I...”, not counting the three verse where he says, “I am coming quickly.”

Marks the word “hear.”

“These things”