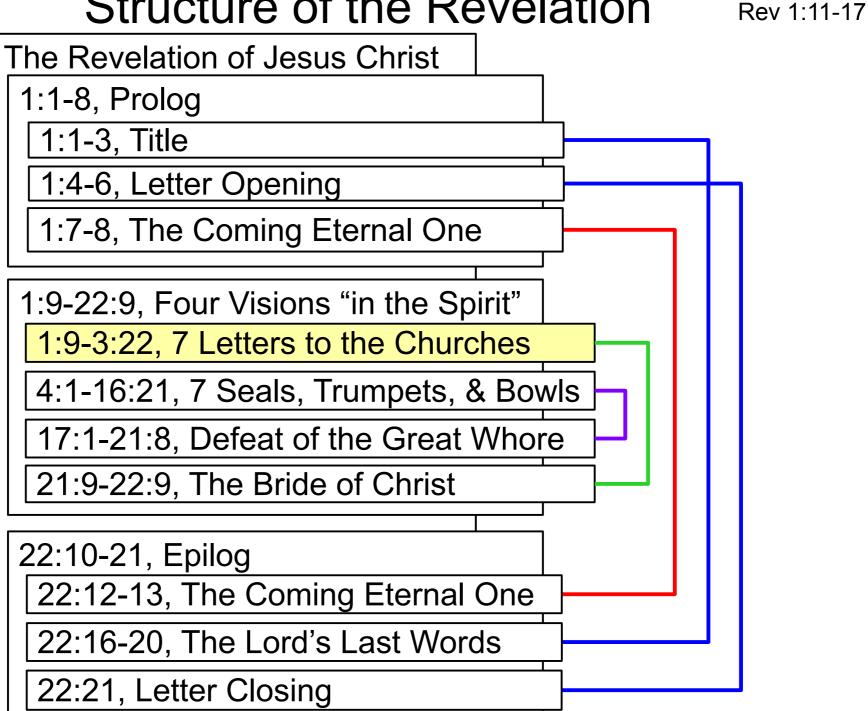
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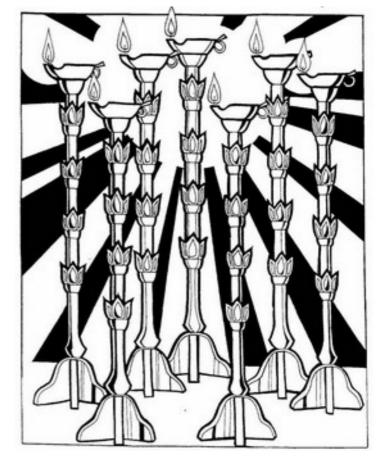


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OT vs. NT Candlesticks



Tabernacle and Temple: seven branches on one candlestick (Exod 25:31-37) \rightarrow centralized organization



Churches: seven independent candlesticks → **decentralized**, autonomous assemblies

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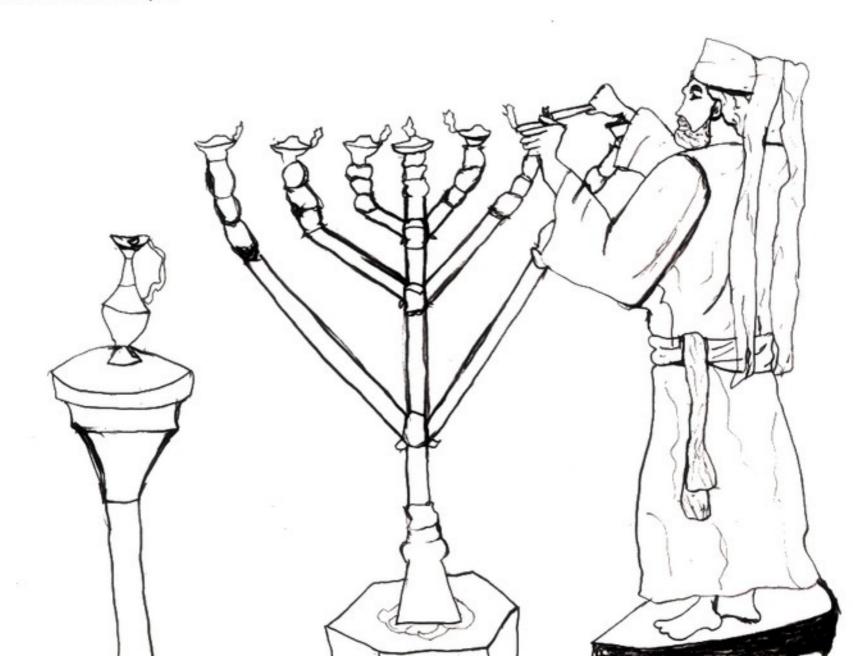
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Leviticus 24:4

4 He shall order the lamps upon the pure candlestick before the Lord continually.

On what were the lamps?



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The Lord Tends the Candlesticks

Lev. 24:2 Command the children of Israel, that they bring unto thee pure oil olive beaten for the light, to cause the lamps to burn continually. 3 Without the vail of the testimony, in the tabernacle of the congregation, shall Aaron order it from the evening unto the morning before the LORD continually: it shall be a statute for ever in your generations. 4 He shall order the lamps upon the pure candlestick before the LORD continually.

Ex. 29:5 And thou shalt take the garments, and put upon Aaron **the coat** (LXX the foot-length robe)

Zech. 3:3 Now Joshua was clothed with filthy garments, and stood before the angel. 4 And he answered and spake unto those that stood before him, saying, Take away the filthy garments from him. And unto him he said, Behold, I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee, and I will clothe thee with **change of raiment (LXX a foot-length robe)**.

Josephus Antiq. 3:153 Over this he wore a linen vestment, ... This vestment reaches down to the feet, ... 154 it is **girded to the breast** a little above the elbows, by a girdle often going round,

John's Vision of the Lord Jesus: Human

Verse	Description	Role			
13a	one like unto the Son of man,	Dan 7:13 one like the Son of Man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of Days	Man		
	clothed with a garment ἐνδύω G1746 down to the foot ποδηρής G4158,	 Ex. 29:5 And thou shalt take the garments, and put upon ἐνδύω Aaron the coat ποδηρής, Zech. 3:4 I will clothe ἐνδύω thee [Joshua the HP] with change of raiment ποδηρής. Antiq. 3:153 Over this he wore a linen vestment, This vestment reaches down to the feet ποδηρής, 	Priest		
	and girt about the paps	Antiq. 3:153 Over this he wore a linen vestment, 154 it is girded to the breast a little above the elbows,			
13b- 16a	Divine Conqueror of Kings				
16b	and out of his mouth went a sharp twoedged sword:	Isa 49:1 The LORD hath called me from the womb; from the bowels of my mother hath he made mention of my name. 2 And he hath made my mouth like a sharp sword ;	Servant of the Lord		
	his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength.	Judg. 5:31 So let all thine enemies perish, O LORD: but let them that love him be as the sun when he goeth forth in his might.	Righteous man		

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John's Vision of the Lord Jesus: Divine

Verse	Description	Origin	Role			
13a	Human Priest					
13b	and girt … with a golden girdle .	Conqueror of kings				
14	His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow;	Dan. 7:9 I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow , and the hair of his head like the pure wool :	God			
	and his eyes were as a flame of fire;	Dan. 10:6a his eyes as lamps of fire,	Conqueror of kings			
15	And his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace;	Dan 10:6b his feet like in colour to polished brass,				
	and his voice as the sound of many waters.	Ezek. 43:2 And, behold, the glory of the God of Israel came from the way of the east: and his voice was like a noise of many waters :	God			
16a	And he had in his right hand seven stars:	Amos 5:8 Seek him that maketh the seven stars and Orion, The LORD is his name: (Job 9:9; 38:31)				
16b	Human Servant of the Lord					

Helpful References

Dan 10:12 Then said he unto me, Fear not, Daniel: for from the first day that thou didst set thine heart to understand, and to chasten thyself before thy God, thy words were heard, and I am come for thy words. 13 But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days: but, lo, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me; and I remained there with the kings of Persia.... 20 ... and now will I return to fight with the prince of Persia: and when I am gone forth, lo, the prince of Grecia shall come.

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Rom 3:19 Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God. Lev. 9:24 And there came a fire out from before the LORD, and consumed upon the altar the burnt offering and the fat: which when all the people saw, they shouted, and fell on their faces. Eze 1:28 This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the LORD. And when I saw it, I fell upon my face, and I heard a voice of one that spake.

1:8 Titles of Eternity

Ref	Alpha and Omega	The First and the Last	The Beginning and the Ending	The One who is, and who was, and who	Who is in View?
1:4				X	Father
1:8	X		(x)	Х	Father
1:11	(x)	(x)			Son
1:17		X			Son
2:8		Х			Son
4:8				Х	Father
21:6	Х		X		Father
22:13	Х	Х	Х		Son

X: Majority reading
X: First occurrence of majority reading
(x): Minority (but KJV) reading Is. 41:4 Who hath wrought and done it, calling the generations from the beginning? I the LORD, **the first, and with the last; I am he.**

Is. 44:6 Thus saith the LORD the King of Israel, and his redeemer the LORD of hosts; **I am the first, and I am the last;** and beside me there is no God.

Is. 48:12 Hearken unto me, O Jacob and Israel, my called; I am he; I am the first, I also am the last.