Prophecy #3

"For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy" (Revelation 19:10).

The great theme of the Bible is Jesus Christ. The whole program of the Bible moves toward the exaltation and glory of Jesus Christ. The Book of Revelation, which is mostly future, was given by Jesus Christ to be shown to His servants (Revelation 1:1-3). The Book of Revelation is the unveiling of Jesus Christ. Everything in revelation after chapter 3 is future (Revelation 1:19). The "spirit of prophecy" began in Genesis 3:15 -"I will put enmity between you (Satan) and the woman, and between your seed (Satan) (John 8:44) and her Seed (Christ); He shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise His heel." Genesis 3:15 also prophesied that the woman's offspring would defeat Satan: "He shall bruise your head (destroy him), and you shall bruise His heel (harm Him)." This took place at the cross. The prophetic road to Christ began in Genesis 3:15. The Savior would come from the human race. He would be of the seed of Abraham, through his son Isaac (not Ishmael), through Isaac's son Jacob (not Esau), and through Jacob's son Judah (not through any of the other 11 sons). The Christ would come through the line of David. He was to be born in Bethlehem (Micah 5:2). He was to be born of a virgin (Isaiah 7:14). He would be the Mighty God (Isaiah 9:6). He will one day sit on the throne of David. Just as there was a prophetic road to Christ's first coming, there is a prophetic road to His second coming. There are prophecies regarding Israel, the end-time government of Antichrist, the judgments of the Tribulation, the battle of Armageddon. These will occur before Jesus returns. Then, there is end of the church age and the rapture which will open the way for the Man of Sin to capture the interests of those who want nothing to do with Christ and oppose His reign on earth. All these prophecies are about the testimony of Jesus who is the spirit of prophecy.