The Message in the Rainbow

- 1. The first appearance of the Rainbow. **Gen. 9:8-17**
 - A. God's covenant to never destroy the earth with water again.
 - B. This covenant from God was to all mankind and animal life. **9:9-10**
 - C. The Rainbow is in the cloud. 9:13-14-16
- 2. Ezekiel's Experience: Israel was in captivity and God appeared to him...with the Rainbow. **Ezk. 1:4, 26-28**
 - A. Why Israel was in captivity. **Deut. 28:1-2, 15, 47, 49, 64**But God also promised them deliverance and restoration. **Deut. 30:1-3**
 - B. The Rainbow Ezekiel saw was <u>God's assurance</u> that He would restore Israel.
- 3. The Rainbow John saw: **Rev. 4:1-3** This was an assurance of God's commitment to The Church. Whatever The Church goes through, God will always be there.

Matt. 16:18; 28:19-20; Heb. 13:5

- 4. **Rev. 10:1** This Rainbow represents the beginning of the <u>full</u> restoration of Israel as God had promised.
 - A. Rev. 10:7 The mystery of God. Eph. 3:3-6, 9-11; Rev. 11:1-3,6 See. Mal. 4:5
- 5. The judgments of God are committed to the wicked.

Isa. 24:1, 3-6; II Pet. 3:5-7, 10