

The Story of Jesus – From Alpha to Omega

Revelation 1:8 *“I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.” (Revelation 1:8)*

Revelation 22:13 *“I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.”*

Introduction: The Book with One Author

Imagine walking into a library and picking up a thick, ancient book. You open the first page and see the author’s signature. Then you flip to the very last page, and there it is again—the exact same signature. You know immediately: one person wrote the entire story. This person planned the beginning, wrote the middle, and finished the ending. He is the author from start to finish. The Bible is exactly that kind of book. It has 66 books, written over 1,500 years, by about 40 different authors. But it has only one true Author. And when Jesus appeared to the Apostle John on the island of Patmos, He signed His name over the whole thing.

Alpha is the first letter of the Greek alphabet. Omega is the last. Jesus was saying: “I am A to Z. I am the whole alphabet. Every word that has ever been spoken, every story that has ever been told—it all comes from Me and leads back to Me.” Today, we are going to walk through the entire Bible—from Genesis to Revelation—and see that all of history is the story of Jesus. He is the Alpha. He is the Omega. And everything in between is about Him.

Part One: The Alpha – Jesus in the Beginning

Turn with me to the very first verse of the Bible: “In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.” (Genesis 1:1). Who is this “God” who created everything? The rest of the Bible tells us plainly. John writes: “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.” (John 1:1-3). And then John tells us who the Word is: “And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.” (John 1:14)

The One who spoke the universe into existence—He is Jesus. When God said, “Let there be light” (Genesis 1:3), that voice belonged to the One who would later say, “I am the light of the world” (John 8:12). Jesus is the Alpha because He is the Creator. He didn't show up at Bethlehem as a newcomer. He was there at the very beginning, speaking galaxies into existence. Think about it: the hands that stretched out the heavens (Isaiah 48:13) were the same hands that would later be nailed to a cross. The voice that said, “Let us make man in our image” (Genesis 1:26) was the same voice that would cry out, “It is finished” (John 19:30). Jesus is not a character who enters the story halfway through. He is the One who wrote the first word. The Old Testament is full of Him. When the Lord appeared to Moses in the burning bush, He said: “I AM THAT I AM” (Exodus 3:14). That name—I AM—belongs to the eternal, self-existent God. And Jesus took that name for Himself when He said: “Before Abraham was, I am.” (John 8:58). He wasn't saying He was before Abraham. He was saying He is—eternally, always, without beginning or end. That's why He is the Alpha.

Part Two: The Journey – Jesus in Every Page

Now, here is where it gets deep. If Jesus is the Alpha—the Beginning—then every page of Scripture points to Him. The whole Old Testament is a road that leads to Jesus. In the Garden of Eden, after Adam and Eve sinned, God promised a Redeemer: “And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.” (Genesis 3:15). Who is that “seed” of the woman? Jesus. He would crush the serpent's head—defeat sin and death—even though the serpent would bruise His heel (the cross). In the Passover, when God delivered Israel from Egypt, every family had to sacrifice a lamb and put its blood on the doorposts: “For I will pass through the land of Egypt this night, and will smite all the firstborn... and when I see the blood, I will pass over you.” (Exodus 12:12-13). Who is that Lamb? Jesus. John the Baptist saw Him and declared: “Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.” (John 1:29). In the Tabernacle and the Temple, every sacrifice, every priest, every piece of furniture—it was all a shadow of something greater. The writer of Hebrews explains: “For the law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things.” (Hebrews 10:1). The sacrifices were shadows. Jesus is the substance. The priests were shadows. Jesus is the High Priest. The mercy seat was a shadow. Jesus is our mercy.

In the Psalms and the Prophets, we find Jesus on nearly every page. Psalm 22 describes His crucifixion centuries before it happened: “My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?” (Psalm 22:1). Those were the very words Jesus cried out on the cross (Matthew 27:46). Isaiah 53 describes the Suffering Servant: “But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.” (Isaiah 53:5). Who is this? Jesus. He is the One the prophets saw from afar. Jesus Himself said that the entire Old Testament was about Him. After His resurrection, He met two disciples on the road to Emmaus and: “Beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.” (Luke 24:27). And later He told His disciples: “These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me.” (Luke 24:44). Do you see it? Jesus is the story. From Genesis to Malachi, every prophet, every sacrifice, every promise—it's all pointing to Him. He is not just a part of the Old Testament. He is the whole point of the Old Testament.

Part Three: The Omega – Jesus in the End

Now let's jump to the other end of the Bible. If Jesus is the Alpha—the Beginning—then He is also the Omega—the Ending. All of history is moving toward Him. In the book of Revelation, Jesus is not a baby in a manger. He is the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. John sees Him and falls at His feet like a dead man. Jesus says: “Fear not; I am the first and the last: I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.” (Revelation 1:17-18). Jesus is the Omega because He is the One who finishes what He started. He began creation, and He will complete redemption. He started the story of God's people, and He will bring it to a glorious conclusion. The book of Revelation shows us where everything is heading. The world is not spinning out of control. Jesus is on the throne. He is the Lamb who was slain, and He is the Lion of the tribe of Judah. He is the Judge who will return: “And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.” (Revelation 22:12)

At the end of the Bible, we see the new heaven and the new earth. And what do we find there? “And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.” (Revelation 22:1). The throne is not just God's throne—it

is the throne of God and of the Lamb. Why? Because the Lamb is God. Jesus is not sitting next to God; He is God manifest in the flesh. That is why the whole Bible can be His story. And what is the final invitation of the Bible? “And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.” (Revelation 22:17). The Omega—the End—is an open invitation. Jesus finished the work of salvation on the cross, and now He invites everyone to come. He is the Alpha who created you, and He is the Omega who wants to save you.

Part Four: The One God Manifest in Flesh

Now we come to the most important point. When Jesus said, “I am Alpha and Omega,” He was claiming to be the One True God—not a second person of a Trinity, not a junior partner in the Godhead—but the One God of Israel, manifest in human flesh. In the Old Testament, God the Father said: “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.” (Isaiah 44:6). And again: “Hearken unto me, O Jacob and Israel, my called; I am he; I am the first, I also am the last.” (Isaiah 48:12). Now look at what Jesus says in Revelation: “I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.” (Revelation 22:13)

Jesus takes the exact same title that God the Father claimed for Himself in the Old Testament. He is not saying, “I am one of the gods.” He is saying, “I am the God—the only God—the first and the last.” And how did this one God reveal Himself? By manifesting himself in the flesh. Paul writes: “And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh.” (1 Timothy 3:16). God was manifest in the flesh. Not a god. Not part of God. God—the whole God—manifested in a human body. Jesus is not a separate being from the Father. He is the Father revealed. He said it Himself: “He that hath seen me hath seen the Father.” (John 14:9)

When you see Jesus, you see the Father. When you hear Jesus, you hear the Father. When you worship Jesus, you worship the Father—because Jesus is the Father manifested in flesh. This is why the whole Bible is His story. He is not one character among many. He is the Author. He wrote the first chapter in Genesis, and He will write the last chapter in Revelation. Every promise, every prophecy, every sacrifice, every psalm—it all finds its fulfillment in Him.

Conclusion: The Author of Your Story

Young people, listen to me. This matters for you—right now, in your life. If Jesus is the Alpha, then He is the One who started your story. You are not an accident. You are not a random collection of cells. Before you were born, the Alpha had you in His mind. He created you with a purpose. Your identity isn't found in your followers, your grades, or your friends. It is found in the Author who wrote your name in His book before the foundation of the world. If Jesus is the Omega, then He is the One who will finish your story. He doesn't leave things half-done. If you are holding onto Him, He will bring you through the fire, through the loneliness, through the confusion, all the way to glory. Paul wrote: “Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ.” (Philippians 1:6)

And if Jesus is the One God manifest in flesh, then He is worthy of all your trust. He didn't send someone else to save you. He came Himself. The Good Shepherd didn't hire a substitute to face the wolf. He walked into the den Himself and laid down His life for the sheep. That is the depth of His love. The Alpha became flesh. The Omega bled on a cross. The Author of the universe died for you—so that you could live with Him forever. So here is the question: Is Jesus the Alpha and Omega of your life? Is He the beginning of your story—the One who created you and called you? Is He the end of your story—the One you are living for and the One you will see face to face? He stands at the beginning of the Bible and says, “I am the Alpha.” He stands at the end of the Bible and says, “I am the Omega.” And right now, He stands at the door of your heart and says, “Come.” Trust the Alpha to start fresh with you today. Trust the Omega to finish what He started. Because when Jesus is your Alpha and Omega—your beginning and your end—you have everything you will ever need. He is the First. He is the Last. And He is the Living One. Let's pray.