

*revelation*

## revelation (n.)

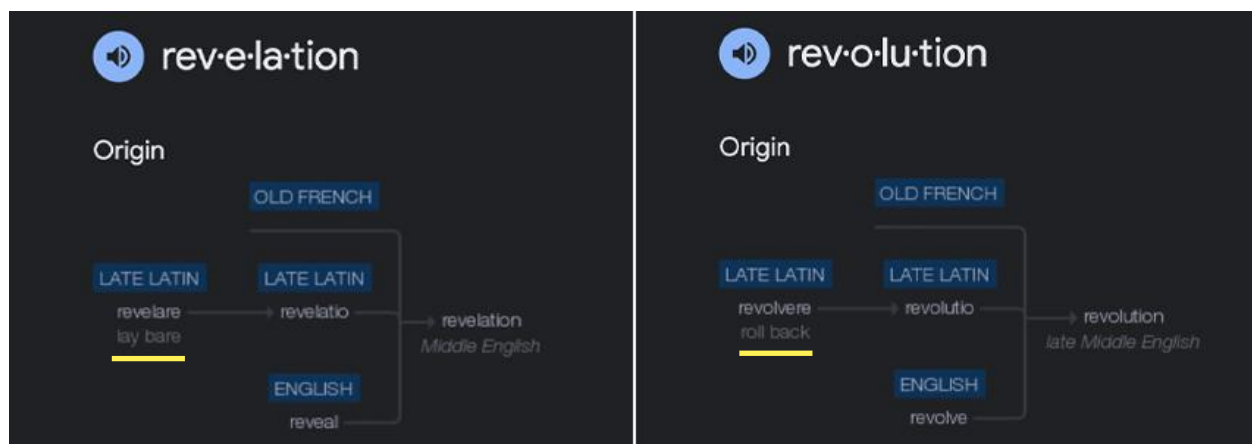
c. 1300, *revelacioun*, "disclosure of information or knowledge to man by a divine or supernatural agency," from Old French *revelacion* and directly from Latin *revelationem* (nominative *revelatio*), noun of action from past-participle stem of *revelare* "unveil, uncover, lay bare" (see [reveal](#)).

The general meaning "disclosure of facts to those previously unaware of them" is attested from late 14c.; meaning "striking disclosure" is from 1862. As the name of the last book of the New Testament (*Revelation of St. John*), it is attested from late 14c. (see [apocalypse](#)); as simply **Revelations**, it is recorded by 1690s.

## revolution (n.)

late 14c., *revolucioun*, originally of celestial bodies, "one (apparent) rotation about the earth," also the time required for this, also "act or fact of moving in a circular course," from Old French *revolucion* "course, revolution" of celestial bodies (13c.) or directly from Late Latin *revolutionem* (nominative *revolutio*) "a revolving," noun of action from past-participle stem of Latin *revolvere* "turn, roll back" (see [revolve](#)).

From early 15c. as "a cyclical reoccurrence, a round or recurrent changes or events;" also "the revolving of a wheel." By 1660s as "action on the part of an object or person of turning round or moving round a point."



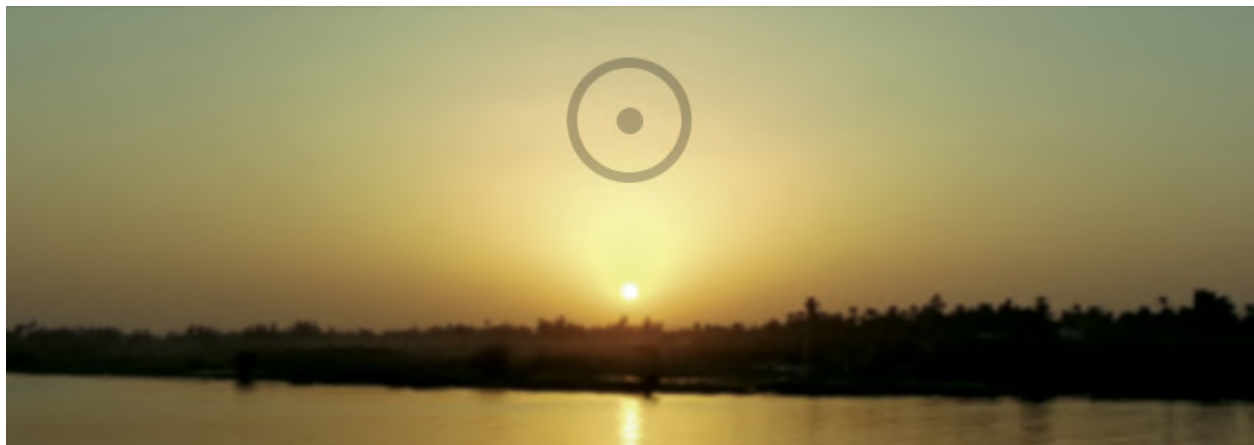
**"To roll back, one must first lay bare."**

**Revelation 7:1-8** • King James Version

**7** And after these things I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any tree.



**2** And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea,



**3** Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.

**4** And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel.

**7** Of the tribe of **Simeon** were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of **Levi** were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of **Issachar** were sealed twelve thousand.

**5** Of the tribe of **Juda** were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of **Reuben** were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of **Gad** were sealed twelve thousand.

**6** Of the tribe of **Aser** were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of **Nephtalim** were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of **Manasses** were sealed twelve thousand.

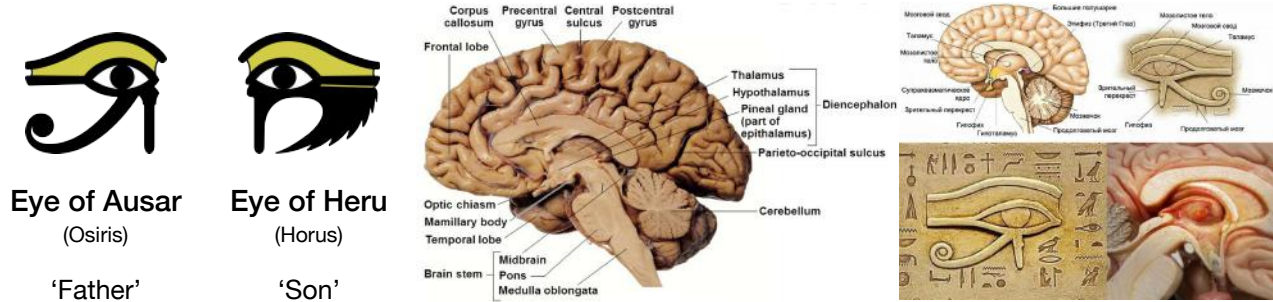
**8** Of the tribe of **Zabulon** were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of **Joseph** were sealed twelve thousand.

Of the tribe of **Benjamin** were sealed twelve thousand.

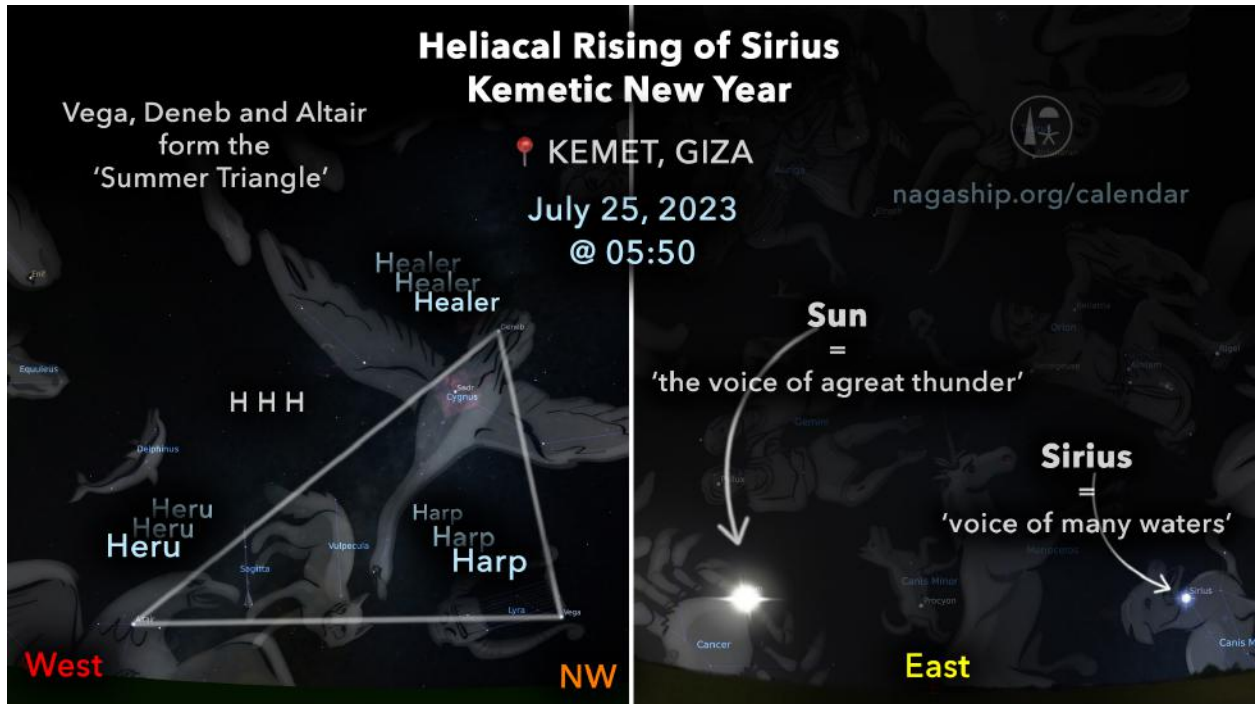
**Revelation 14:1-5** • King James Version

**14** And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written 'in' their foreheads.



**2** And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder:

and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps:



**3** And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth.



**4** These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb.



**5** And in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God.



End.

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