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ORONZO STEFANELLI, *Il "Trafitto" che viene con le nubi in Ap 1,7: Studio intertestuale del primo annuncio profetico dell'Apocalisse*, Supplementi alla Rivista Biblica 64 (Bologna: Dehoniane, 2017, paper €26) 212 pp. Bibliography. Indexed. ISBN: 978-88-10-30253-8.

This volume engages in a complete and systematic analysis of Rev 1:7—arrangement, structure, composition, texts and contexts to which allusions might be made, parallel thematic references in the text—and argues that with the first eight verses of Revelation and their three references to “coming” (1:4, 7, 8) the author makes a sort of “narrative pact” with those who begin to read so that they do not go astray in its interpretation. After an eleven-page introduction, it discusses Rev 1:7 in its immediate context—structure and external frame; 1:7a and the one coming “with the clouds” (Dan 7:13); 1:7b and looking at the “pierced one” (Zech 12:10); and 1:7c and the weeping of all the tribes of the earth. Stefanelli, professor of Sacred Scripture at the diocesan school of theological and pastoral formation in the diocese of Nardò-Gallipoli, concludes that the concentration of themes and protagonists in Rev 1:7 somewhat evokes the whole book. G. Biguzzi has provided a two-page foreword.