

Sermon Discussion Curriculum Week 6 - Rev. 4 & 5 - Feb. 7, 2021

Helpful Resources for Studying Revelation

Revelation for You by Tim Chester — https://bit.ly/RevForYou
The BibleProject Videos — Rev. 1-11: https://bit.ly/Rev1-11 Rev. 12-22: https://bit.ly/TriumphOfGod
Revelation: by William Subash — RightNow Media — https://bit.ly/williamsubash

Revelation can be an intimidating book to study. As you continue this endeavor, allow God to speak to you through his written Word. The goal of this time is to have quality connection and time together. Choose questions from Know, Grow and Show that will best help your group discuss the passage and take their next steps of faith. Don't feel like you have to use all of the questions. Feel free to add your own too! We are praying for you as you lead your D-Group this week!

KNOW:

- How curious do you think our culture is about the afterlife? The possibility of heaven? What books, television series, or movies give you that impression? How about you how curious are you?
- Do you like to sing? Are you a fan of karaoke? Or are you more of an in the car, radio only singer? What do you sing?
- We live in uncertain times, plagued by fear of nuclear war, climate change, a pandemic, and economic downturns. How do you see people dealing with those challenges? What people or resources are they counting on to help them cope with these challenges?
- The beauty of nature often inspires the praise of God (sunrise/sunset, mountains, oceans...) Do you have a favorite setting or place that makes you feel this way? Where do you go to see God's glory?



- These two chapters give us a close look at God and the Lamb, Jesus Christ. Read Revelation 4 and 5 out loud together. Don't rush through it. As someone reads, take notes on what impresses you.
- John was literally invited to view heaven through an open door. What did John see as he stepped through that door? How does this view of heaven conflict with your own view of heaven? What are some responses you might have if you were seeing God's throne room?
- These chapters begin and end with worship. The word worship comes from a root word meaning "worthy." Where in these chapters do you see God's worthiness of worship?
- The descriptions we see of God in Revelation 4 and 5 are consistent with other Scriptures (Is. 6:1-3; Dan. 7:9-10; Ez. 1:26-28). Describe the response of everyone who steps into His presence. How do these accounts, written over a span of 1500 years, encourage your view of the inspiration of scripture?
- Being in God's presence elicits praise from a growing choir with hymns of creation (4:8-11) and redemption (5:9-13). What is it about God that causes them to praise Him (holiness, power, etc.)?
 Share some of His attributes seen in these chapters that cause you to praise Him.

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- God's glory is magnified through the death of the Lamb. How does Revelation 4 & 5 increase your view of redemption?
- Chapter 4 gives image of God as Creator, while chapter 5 reveals Christ the Redeemer. Both chapters show the response of those present as whole-hearted worship. What is one way you need to worship him whole-heartedly?
- The worship of God is tied directly to the revelation of God it is not experienced in a vacuum. Share a time (worship service, conference, retreat, study, etc.) when your vision of God overwhelmed you and drew you closer to him. What step will you take to see Him that clearly again?
- C.S. Lewis, the Christian writer, said "You cannot be a disciple without an eternal perspective." We live in a culture that bombards us daily with the need for temporal things. What resources has God provided you with to help you break free from the world's priorities and to cultivate an eternal mindset?
- Coming face to face with Jesus in these chapters elicits a response. How do you need to respond after seeing a clear image of God and the Lamb?