



# REVELATION

## SESSION 5 DISCUSSION GUIDE

### THE TWO WITNESSES

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#### **Summary - Revelation 11 (17 minutes)**

The two witnesses begin to preach in Jerusalem, but they are killed by the Antichrist, and then resurrected and ascend to Heaven. (Revelation 11:1-14).

The Seventh Trumpet is blown, and from the Ark of the Covenant comes the beginning of the 7 Bowl Judgments (Revelation 11:15-19).

#### **Discussion Questions - After discussing what you learned from the teaching, use the following questions to have further conversation.**

1. What is the response of the “survivors” who witnessed the death and resurrection of the two witnesses? Why did Pastor Drew say this was significant?
2. Based on Pastor Drew’s teaching about the Seventh Trumpet, and what you know of the book of Revelation, what can we expect during the last three and a half years of the Tribulation?

# THE DRAGON

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## Summary - Revelation 12-13 (15 minutes)

Revelation 12-14 is a pause in the action during the Tribulation in order to describe seven key figures. They are:

- A woman clothed with sun—see Revelation 12:1-2.
- A red dragon with 7 heads and 10 horns—see Revelation 12:3-4.
- The woman's male child—see Revelation 12:5-6.
- The archangel Michael—see Revelation 12:7-12.
- The rest of offspring of woman, persecuted by dragon—see Revelation 12:13-17.
- The beast who comes out of sea—see Revelation 13:1-10.
- Another beast who comes out of earth—see Revelation 13:11-18.

## Discussion Questions

1. Pastor Drew shared that the dragon symbolized Satan. Describe what we can learn about Satan from the description of the dragon. Why does Pastor Drew continually refer to him as a “loser?” How can this give us hope and encouragement in our daily battles?
2. C. S. Lewis once said, “Humanity falls into two equal and opposite errors concerning the Devil. Either they take him altogether too seriously or they do not take him seriously enough.” Where are you regarding these two extremes?

# THE WAR IN HEAVEN

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## Summary - Revelation 12 (10 minutes)

A battle breaks out in Heaven between Michael and the angels against Satan and his demons. Ultimately Satan and the demons are cast out of Heaven at the mid-way point of the Tribulation (Revelation 12:7-17).

When this happens, a celebration occurs in Heaven (Revelation 12:10-12).

## Discussion Questions

1. Revelation 12:11 is surprising in that Satan killed, or martyred Christians, yet Revelation 12:11 says, “They triumphed over him.” How did martyred Christians triumph over Satan? How can we still “triumph” over him today?
2. By the end of Revelation 12, Pastor Drew shared with us that Satan is furious! This reminds us that even though we have an enemy who is at war with God, rebellious, deceitful, etc., why as Christians do we have nothing to fear in our spiritual battles?
3. What is the one truth from today’s lesson you will take with you into next week?

**Homework:** Before the next class, be sure to prepare by reading chapters 13-15.