



REVELATION

SESSION 1 DISCUSSION GUIDE

INTRODUCTION TO REVELATION

Summary - The Book of Revelation (10 minutes)

As we begin this study of Revelation, you have nothing to fear about this study, but you have a great opportunity to grow in your faith in Jesus, and in your hope of his Second Coming!

The book of Revelation is a great book to study because Revelation is actually the only book of the Bible that comes with a promise for those who read and study it – you will be blessed (see Revelation 1:3; 22:7).

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

1. As we begin our study of Revelation, have you ever read or studied the book before? What are your impressions and thoughts regarding this book?
2. Pastor Drew talked about two ways you would be blessed by studying Revelation. What other blessings are you hoping for over the next eight sessions?

THE VISION OF JESUS

Summary - Revelation Chapter 1 (24 minutes)

The book of Revelation is a “revelation” (singular) and it’s “the revelation from Jesus Christ.” The term revelation literally means an “unveiling” meaning something is being told to us we wouldn’t know otherwise (Revelation 1:1-3).

It was written by the Apostle John while he was exiled to the island of Patmos probably around 90 A.D.

In Revelation 1:9-16 John had a glorious vision of Jesus. His appearance is described as:

- “Dressed in a robe reaching down to his feet and with a golden sash around his chest...”—symbolizes how Jesus is our High Priest.
- “The hair on his head was white like wool, as white as snow...”
—symbolizes Jesus’ wisdom.
- “His eyes were like blazing fire...”—Jesus sees everything and is coming in judgment.
- “His feet were like bronze glowing in a furnace...”—symbolizes Jesus’ purity.
- “His voice was like the sound of rushing waters...”—Jesus is Almighty God.
- “Coming out of his mouth was a sharp, double-edged sword...”
—He speaks the Word of God.

The outline of the book is given in Revelation 1:19.

Discussion Questions

1. After reading these descriptions of Jesus, what stands out to you about Him? Why does John use such symbolic language?
2. Pastor Drew listed 18 other descriptions of Jesus found in Revelation. Share one or two that mean the most to you and why?
3. How can we pray for you as we begin this study of Revelation together?

Homework: Before the next class, be sure to prepare by reading chapters 2 & 3.