



Sermon Discussion Questions

Sermon Series: The Revelation

Sunday, November 21: The Least Segregated Hour in Eternity

Revelation 7

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Each time I do a funeral, I am reminded of the reality of life after this earth. Though we are around death everyday, personal death's are not a normal part of our weeks. But when they do happen, we are challenged to think about the reality of life beyond this world.

Share as a group about personal deaths that you have had in your life. *Who are people that have died around you and how did their death affect you?*

Michael challenged us this morning to read the book of Revelation to make us think about which side we will unite: with the lamb or with death. *How does the reality of the end of life on this earth make you consider which side you will unite?*

As a group, take the first 10 minutes of your time and read out loud Chapter 7.

Spend some time simply talking about things in this passage that stand out to you, excite you or confuse you.

In this chapter you can get caught up into the question of the 144,000 and questions about when the great tribulation was/is. In doing that you can also miss things that are critical to walk out of this passage holding onto.

Even in the midst of verses you may not understand, what are the things that you know for sure from these verses?
(focus on verses 10, 12, 15-17)

Flake told us this morning that the word Holy means, "no fault, pure, nothing like it". God is Holy--this is a theme throughout Revelation. *In what ways do you recognize that there is no one like God?*

Read Revelation 7:17

What are the things that followers of Christ are promised that Michael talked about this morning?

What stands out for you about ways He has provided what you need and not necessarily what you want?

When are times in which things did not turn out like you hoped but you still realized Christ was with you?

Michael gave some strong challenges for believers and non-believers to consider out of Revelation 7. *What challenges stood out to you?*

This morning was our baptism service and a time for all of us to relook at our own baptism. In our baptism, we chose to side with the lamb. *As you look back at your own baptism, where are places in your life that you need to bring before the lamb again and to know his cleansing, washing, forgiveness, healing?*

To close, read Psalm 113: 1-4 and then spend a few minutes praising God for who He is.

Then, read Psalm 113:5-9 and then spend a few minutes thanking God for ways he has come into your life and turned things around; change places of death into places of life.