

STUDY

Revelation Bible Study Questions and Answers (Free PDF)

A 10-session walk through Revelation, from the risen Christ to the new creation, read for worship and hope rather than for cracking a timeline. Free to print, no sign-up.

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"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty."

Revelation 1:8 (NIV)

Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.

Revelation 3:20 (NIV)

And they sang a new song, saying: "You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased for God persons from every tribe and language and people and nation."

Revelation 5:9 (NIV)

The study guide

SESSION 1 • REVELATION 1

The Risen Christ Revealed

John, exiled on Patmos, receives the revelation of Jesus Christ and sees the glorified Son of Man walking among the lampstands. The book opens not with the end of the world but with the face of the risen Lord.

1. What details does John use to describe the risen Christ in his vision, and what do those images say about who Jesus is now?

2. Why might the book begin by unveiling Christ himself rather than by predicting end-times events?

3. How would a clearer vision of the living Christ change the way you carry fear, worship, and endurance this week?

SESSION 2 • REVELATION 2

Letters to the Seven Churches: Ephesus to Thyatira

Christ speaks directly to four real churches in Asia, naming their faithfulness and their compromise. He sees each one exactly as it is and calls each to overcome.

1. What strengths and what failures does Christ name in Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, and Thyatira?

2. What do these letters reveal about how closely Christ watches and cares for ordinary local churches?

3. Which warning or encouragement in these four letters lands closest to your own church or your own life right now?

SESSION 3 · REVELATION 3

Letters to the Seven Churches: Sardis to Laodicea

Christ confronts a church with a reputation that is dead, encourages a weak church that has kept his word, and warns a lukewarm church that thinks it needs nothing. To each he holds out a promise to the one who overcomes.

1. What repeated commands and promises do you notice across the letters to Sardis, Philadelphia, and Laodicea?

2. What does it mean to overcome in these letters, and what is Christ asking each church to do?

3. Where do you most need to wake up, hold on, or stop pretending you are fine, the way these churches are called to?

SESSION 4 · REVELATION 4-5

The Throne in Heaven and the Lamb

John is caught up into heaven and sees God reigning from the throne, surrounded by ceaseless worship. Then the Lamb who was slain steps forward as the only one worthy to open the scroll of history.

1. What scenes of worship fill these two chapters, and who is being worshiped and why?

2. Why is it the Lamb who was slain, rather than a conquering warrior, who is found worthy to open the scroll?

3. How does watching heaven worship around the throne speak to the anxieties you carry on earth?

SESSION 5 · REVELATION 6-7

The Seven Seals and the Sealed People of God

The Lamb opens the seals and judgment and tribulation unfold across the earth. Yet between the judgments, God pauses to seal and gather a great multitude that no one can number.

1. What patterns do you notice as the seals are opened one by one?

2. How do judgment and the sealing of God's people belong together in these chapters?

3. How might believers respond to suffering and upheaval without giving way to panic, in light of the multitude God preserves?

SESSION 6 · REVELATION 8-11

Trumpets, Witnesses, and the Kingdom Announced

Seven trumpets sound a series of intensifying warnings, two witnesses testify in the face of opposition, and at last loud voices in heaven announce that the kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord.

1. What do the two witnesses do, and how are they treated, in chapter 11?

2. How do these chapters tie God's warnings to the faithful testimony of his people?

3. What does faithful witness look like for you when speaking the truth costs something?

SESSION 7 · REVELATION 12-14**The Woman, the Dragon, and the Beasts**

The curtain pulls back on the conflict behind every conflict. A dragon wars against the woman and her children, two beasts demand allegiance, and yet the Lamb stands with a people marked as his own.

1. Who are the main symbolic figures in these chapters, and what does each one do?

2. How do these chapters describe the spiritual struggle running underneath the visible pressures the church faces?

3. Where do you most need steadfastness against deception or pressure to compromise right now?

SESSION 8 · REVELATION 15-16**The Seven Bowls of Wrath**

The final judgments are poured out in escalating severity, even as heaven sings that God's ways are just and true. These are the last warnings, and they reveal the holiness of the God who gives them.

1. How do the bowl judgments compare with the seals and trumpets that came before them?

2. What do these judgments reveal about God's justice and holiness?

3. How should the certainty that God will set things right shape the way you live and obey today?

SESSION 9 · REVELATION 17-18**The Fall of Babylon**

John sees Babylon, the great picture of corrupt and seductive worldly power, exposed and brought down in a single hour. Heaven and earth respond, some in grief and some in praise.

1. How is Babylon described, and what makes her judgment so complete and so sudden?

2. What might Babylon stand for in the book's message about worldly power and wealth?

3. What forms of compromise with the world is the reader called to come out of, as God's people are warned to do?

SESSION 10 · REVELATION 19-22**The Return of Christ and the New Creation**

Christ returns in triumph, evil is judged, and God makes all things new. The book closes with a new heaven and a new earth, a holy city, and the promise that God will dwell with his people forever.

1. What final images of victory, judgment, and renewal stand out most to you across these chapters?

2. How does the return of Christ connect to the arrival of the new heaven and new earth?

3. How does the promised ending of all things shape the hope and the holiness you carry into an ordinary week?
