

PREACHING CURRICULUM

We Win!
Revelation 1

"Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear, and who keep what is written in it, for the time is near."

1 REVIEW THE SERMON

LEADER NOTES: Encourage your members to pull out their notes and review the main points of the sermon. (9-12 mins)

Read Revelation 1:1-3. What does it mean to be "blessed"? Who are said to be blessed in this passage?

Read Revelation 1:4-8. What is the significance of each of the following titles used to identify Jesus in verse 5? What do we learn about Jesus from each of these?

1. "The faithful witness"
2. "The firstborn of the dead"
3. "The ruler of the kings of the earth"

What accomplishments of Jesus are celebrated in this passage? What is their importance for us as believers in Him?

Read Revelation 1:9-20. List each of the descriptions John gives of Jesus' appearance in this passage. What do each of these exalted descriptions tell us about Him?

What was John's reaction to seeing this vision of Jesus? Why did he react in this way?

2 ASSESS YOUR LIFE

LEADER NOTES: Evaluate the condition of your lives in relation to the truth from God's Word. Encourage heart examination. (12-15 mins)

How well do you read, hear and keep God's Word?

What is your own view of Jesus? How does your view of Him line up with the high and exalted status He is afforded in the book of Revelation?

3 APPLY THE TRUTH

LEADER NOTES: Create a list of ways to close the gap between your lives and the truth of the Bible. Be practical and intentional. (12-15 mins)

In what ways might people entertain a low view of Jesus? How might you have reduced Him in your own life? What effect does having a diminished view of Jesus have in one's life?

Given Jesus' status as the exalted and glorious Lord, what is the most appropriate response to Him? How would our lives be different if we fully believed that He truly is who He claims to be?

4 COMMIT THIS WEEK

LEADER NOTES: Call your small group members to make a commitment and get the group working together to follow-up with each other. (9-12)

How will you worship and elevate Jesus in your life this week?