

Revelation 1.1-8 Group Discussion Questions

1. Why should we study the book of Revelation?

Answer: To know Jesus more intimately, to strengthen our relationship with Him, to root out any sin in our own lives based on the warning He gives us, so that we can more effectively share Him and the gospel to others.

2. In the first eight verses, which verse stands out as unique to any other book in Scripture?

Answer: v.3- God blesses the one who reads the words of this prophecy to the church, and He blesses all who listen to its message and obey what it says, for the time is near.

3. What does it mean that Jesus has, "made us kings and priests to His God and Father..." (vs. 6). How should we respond to these designations?

Answer: "Kings" means that we are God's royalty and indicates privilege, status and authority. "Priests" are God's special servants who sacrifice to the Lord. In the Old Testament, it was forbidden to combine the offices of king and priest. Under the New Covenant, we can be like Jesus in the sense that He is both King and High Priest. Our response is, and should always be, worship... "to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen."

4. Considering of the fact that Jesus will return to Earth in physical form at any moment (v.7), how should this effect how we live our lives daily? How do we do this practically? How should we prepare?

Answer: We ought to have an urgency to make sure we are in Christ through accepting His gift salvation, being baptized, and living a life of righteousness based on His commandments.

We do this practically by having a thriving relationship with Jesus, study of His word, continual prayer, and actively participating in the body of Christ, His church.