

Week 9

Small Group

Revelation

Author: _____, who was exiled to Patmos

Date: 90's

Apocalyptic nature of the book of Revelation:

- Its purpose is to encourage believers in the midst of persecution while prophecy is to correct believers through punishment
- It speaks of judgement of the enemies of God, while prophecy speaks more of judgement on the people
- It uses figurative symbolism of the book of Revelation

The Futurist Method of Interpretation: This method views the book as predictive prophecy of a future and literal tribulation, millennium etc.

Breakdown of Revelation:

1. What you have seen
2. What is now
3. What is to come

The revelation of Jesus:

- The Lord Jesus Christ
- The faithful and true witness
- The first and the last, the alpha and omega
- The Son of God
- The Word of God
- The Lion of Judah
- The root of Jesse
- The firstborn from the dead
- The Lamb that was slain
- The bright and morning star
- The holy and true
- The King of Kings and the Lord of Lords

Three Visions of Jesus in the book of Revelation:

1. Vision of His Glory (1:12-17) and in His messages to the 7 Churches
2. Vision of the Lamb who was worthy to open the book (5-6)
3. Vision of the coming King (19:11-16)

Three major divisions of Revelation:

1. Message to the _____ (1-3)
2. Tribulation (4-19)
3. Consummation (20-22)

The Tribulation Period (4-18)

There are three sets of Judgements

1. The Seals
2. The Trumpets
3. The Bowls

The Return of Christ (19)

- The Marriage feast of the Lamb
- Christ's return with his Saints
- The battle of Armageddon
- The Antichrist and False Prophet thrown into the lake of fire
- Satan bound in the bottomless pit for 1,000 years

The Millennium or 1,000 year reign of Christ (20)

The Saints reign with Christ for 1,000 years

At the end of 1,000 years, Satan is released and fathers a final rebellion which God destroys

Satan is cast into the Lake of Fire

The second resurrection and the Great White Throne Judgement

Those whose names are not in the _____ are cast into the Lake of Fire along with the Death and Hades