

Revelation | Chapters 17-19:5

Fall #10- November 6, 2022

My Story Questions

These questions/activities help the group know one another and transition to deeper discussion. Choose one. OR... You might start each meeting with one person sharing highlights of their story for 5-8 minutes.

- 1) What large city would you like to visit the most? Why?
- 2) When have you attended a worship service in a different culture? What were your impressions.

Study Questions

These are meant for personal preparation and group discussion. Use all or pick a few to discuss.

- 1) Read Revelation 17:1-8** The woman on the beast is Babylon the Great. What evils are associated with her?
- 2) Which of these influences do you see in our culture today?
- 3) Where is the glitter and glitz of the world most appealing and how can we resist self-indulgence?"
- 4) Read Revelation 17:9-18** With whom does the beast wage war and what is the result?
- 5) Who does God use to bring Babylon to ruin? How do you see God's sovereignty at work in this passage?
- 6) How can assurance of God's victory help us persevere?
- 7) Read Revelation 18:1-8** What is the future of Babylon according to the angel's message?
- 8) What does this passage say about God's justice as it relates to greed and pride?
- 9) What injustices are you eager to see the Lord bring to an end?
- 10) Do you respond to his coming justice with faith or anxiety? Why?
- 11) Read Revelation 18:9-24** What groups of people lament Babylon's fall and why? What does that say about where their joys and hopes were placed?
- 12) Where is true treasure found and stored? **Matthew 6:19-21** Which occupies your mind more - the things of God or the things of the world? Ask God, "
- 13) Read Revelation 19:1-5** What is the reason for this celebratory worship? (See also 18:21)
- 14) What attributes of God are being proclaimed and which is most important to you? Why?
- 15) What part of this heavenly worship could be reflected in your personal worship?

Responding to Jesus

Offer these questions for personal reflection before your group prayer time.

- 1) Lord, "Am I firmly on the Lamb's side of the battle?"
- 2) Lord, "Greed is the world system. How can I use my resources to bless others rather than serve myself?"

Further Study

Consider how Babylon the Great is threaded in the Old Testament. What evil attitudes were present in the original town of Babel? See Genesis 11:4-9 How is the historical nation of Babylon similar to the Woman on the Beast? See Jeremiah 51