

Revelation 1:1-8
Jesus Revealed

The Purpose of His Revelation (1-3)

- To show what will soon happen (Mark 13:32-37)
- To make known to His servants: (Amos 3:7)
 - His Word (II Timothy 3:15 / Psalm 119:105 / Isaiah 55:11)
 - His Testimony (Luke 22:19-20 / John 10:38)
- To bring us blessing
 - By hearing His message (Romans 10:17)
 - By taking to heart what is written (Psalm 1:1-3)
- To prepare us – the time is at hand (I Corinthians 15:51-52 / Luke 21:28 / Colossians 3:1-4)

The Person of His Revelation (4-6)

- Revealed through John (John 20:31)
 - Given to the 7 churches (literal – representative – prophetic)
 - Grace (His gift) & Peace (Our result) (John 14:27)
- Revealing the Godhead (I Corinthians 12:4-6 / II Corinthians 13:14)
 - The Father
 - Who is (present) – was (past) – and is to come (future)
 - Who is the eternal One – the I AM (Psalm 90:2)
 - The Spirit – 7-fold Spirit (Isaiah 11:2)
 - The Son – Jesus Christ
 - The faithful witness (I Timothy 6:13)
 - The firstborn from the dead (I Corinthians 15:21-23)
 - The RULER of the kings of the earth (Revelation 3:14; 19:16)
- Revealing His purpose for us
 - To love us (I John 3:1 / John 3:16 / I Peter 1:20)
 - To free us from our sins (John 8:34-36)
 - To make us to be a kingdom (I Peter 2:9-10)
 - To make us His priests: to serve His God and Father
 - To bring Him glory – forever and ever (Isaiah 42:8)

The Power of His Revelation (7-8)

- Seen by ALL (Matthew 24:27 / Luke 17:24)
- Sorrow to ALL
 - Those who caused His suffering (Acts 9:4-5)
 - Those who rejected Him (II Thessalonians 1:5-9)
- Sovereign over ALL – Jesus is God! (John 8:58)
 - The Alpha and Omega (John 1:1 / Romans 8:38-39)
 - The Eternal One (Psalm 90:2 / Hebrews 13:8 / Deuteronomy 33:26-27)
 - The Almighty (Psalm 145:3 / Jude 24-25)

Discussion questions for Revelation 1:1-8

How does this passage describe the God whom we serve? (II Corinthians 13:14 / Genesis 21:33 / I Thessalonians 5:23-24 / Revelation 19:16 / Psalm 145:3 / Revelation 22:13)

Why is it important for us to know Him? How does knowing these things impact our lives? (Exodus 20:18-23; 34:6-7 / John 17:3 / Isaiah 44:19-22)

What is God's purpose for those who call upon His name?

(I John 3:1) –

(Galatians 5:1, 5-6, 13) –

(I Peter 2:9-10) –

(Revelation 1:6) –

(I Corinthians 10:31) -