

Small Group Discussion Questions

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Memory Verse: Revelation 4:11 NIV

"You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being."

The goal of these questions is to foster meaningful discussion and to encourage participants to reflect on God's Word to lead to heart transformation. Feel free to modify or expand upon these questions based on the dynamics and needs of your Small Group.

Big Idea: God's judgment will be final and fall fully on those who refuse to turn to Him.

Read Revelation 15

- Those who were victorious over the beast sing the song of Moses and the song of the Lamb. What elements of this song resonate with you? If you were to write a personal song of praise to God, what would you want to express? What are some keywords or phrases about how you have experienced God in your life?
- When the temple was filled with smoke in the Old Testament, what did it signify? (See Ex. 40:34-35, 2 Chronicles 5:13-14) How does God's glory filling a physical structure like the temple relate to the concept of our bodies being temples of the Holy Spirit in the New Testament (1 Corinthians 6:19-20)? What implications does this have for how we live and worship today? Have you ever experienced a moment of profound awe or wonder that made you feel God's presence? What was it like?

Read Revelation 16

- Recall the Exodus events. What plagues did God send? What was Passover about? What did God deliver His people from? How does the Passover account parallel what happens in Revelation 16? How does Jesus serve as our Passover lamb?



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- Through these judgments, God is still trying to bring people close to Him. However, as v. 9 & 11 make clear, they acknowledge God exists and has the power to control the earth, yet they refuse to repent and glorify Him. Share with the group someone you know who is currently resisting God. What can you do to help them take a step closer to having a relationship with Jesus?
- What has God done throughout time to help people avoid His judgment and wrath? What does repentance require? Repentance isn't just about feeling sorry for our sins but making a commitment to change. What steps can you take to actively turn away from sin and toward God's path of righteousness?
- What other Scripture passages are you reminded of when reading Revelation 16:15? What does it look like to heed the warning Jesus is giving here and elsewhere to be ready? What specifically should we do to be ready for His return so that we are not caught off guard?
- The angel in charge proclaims that what God is doing is "just." Describe your understanding of what it means to be "just" or to experience "justice." Why is God able to judge justly? What does it look like to promote God's holiness and justice as an invitation to live according to His standards, rather than a source of fear or condemnation? How does God's justice encourage or motivate you as a believer?
- There is a difference between Special Grace which is given to believers and Common Grace, which is extended to everyone. (An example of Common Grace is found in Matthew 5:45.) In Revelation 16, we see God removing His Common Grace from the world. They did not want God, but they wanted His blessings. As we seek to reflect God's character, how can we show love and kindness to those who do not share our beliefs, demonstrating God's Common Grace in action? Are there areas in your life where you struggle to extend grace to others, even when you know it's the right thing to do?



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