

Sermon Questions

Revelation 22

This week we completed the *Alpha and Omega* series in Revelation 22. The culmination of this series involved five reasons to get ready for what is coming. These five reasons, coupled with five exhortations, have been embedded in the book of Revelation and seen throughout the entirety of the Scriptures. Hearing the proclamation of God's Word expounding the truth of Revelation 22 will prepare the believer for the upcoming and expected blessings, but also convict the unrighteous of their need to repent and believe the Gospel of Jesus Christ. May this message set your heart aflame for the King of Kings and the Lord of Lords and may you eagerly await all that the Lord Jesus Christ has in store for us.

Here are some notes to review from this week's sermon...

Get Ready!

Revelation 22

God's presence is satisfying...Long for Him (1-5)

God's Word is true...Linger with Him (6-10)

God's sifting is permanent...Live for Him (11-16)

God's return is soon...Look for Him (17-20)

God's grace is sufficient...Love Him (21)

Hearing the Word of God and responding to Him is extremely important. If you haven't had the chance to listen to the message from this week you can now watch it [HERE](#). After watching, please use the following questions (if you find them helpful) in your BRAVE groups (now online every weekday) or discuss them with your family and/or friends. If you are not in a BRAVE Group now is a great time to get involved. Please email info@bravechurch.online and we will get you connected with a community that will work for you.

Questions

1. What is more satisfying than the presence of God? How have you experienced the presence of God in your life? What gets in the way of you experiencing God's presence? How can being a part of a life-giving church aid in your experience of God's presence? How did some of the Biblical writers express the need for God's presence (see Ps. 27;4,5,8; Ps. 84:1,10; Phil. 3:20; 2 Cor. 5:2)?
2. How should you long to be with Christ? What will God's presence be like when there is no longer a curse of sin in our lives? What will God's presence be like when we will see Him face to face as we worship? What is the significance of having His name

our foreheads? What does this tell you about the level of intimacy we will experience with Him?

3. What will our home be like in the New Jerusalem? What are your thoughts about the healing power from the tree of life and the water of life? What will it be like to live in the New Jerusalem when there is complete transparency and the light of Christ is eternal? What about the Millennium do you yearn for and what thrills your heart?
4. Why is God's Word faithful and true? Who does the written Word of God reveal? How important is it to understand that Jesus Christ is central to every part of the Scriptures? What do the Scriptures reveal about themselves (see Is. 40:8; Luke 21:33; Joshua 1:8; Psalm 19:7-11; John 5:39-40)?
5. Why do people "allegorize" and "spiritualize" the text? Who is the authority on the Word when this occurs? What is the problem with the interpreter being the authority on the interpretation? Why should the Bible simply be read and understood in its plain language? Why do so many people refuse to just believe the Word of God?
6. How should we linger in the Word? What are ways we can linger? How important is Scripture memory? Listening to good preaching? Reading the Word? Studying the Word? Meditating on the Word? How can you grow in all of the above?
7. What happens when people die? Where does their soul go? Once a soul has gone to be in the presence of Jesus or in hell is there ever an opportunity to change locations? If there are no righteous people when they are born, then how can one be made righteous? How important is it to understand that Jesus Christ is the way the truth and the life?
8. Why is it important that we are living for Jesus? In 1 Corinthians 6:9-12 how clearly does God explain unrighteousness? Is this section an exhaustive list? How clear is it that people who practice unrighteousness will not inherit the kingdom of God? Why is the text offensive to many people? How does our culture either teach or encourage unrighteousness? Knowing that teaching unrighteousness is leading people to hell, how should you respond?
9. How eternal is eternal life? How eternal is eternal hell? Why do so few pastors and churches in our culture address the realities of eternity when they are so real? Why do some pastors and churches lie and say there is no such thing as hell or that hell is not eternal? How do you think God feels about these lies?
10. Why is it important that when you hear the Lord's voice you don't harden your heart? Is there any guarantee that just because God is convicting you of sin now that you will hear Him later? What keeps you from repenting of your sin and trusting the Lord Jesus Christ alone for salvation?

11. What does it mean that Jesus is return soon? Why will there always be scoffers when it comes to the return of Jesus Christ? Why is understand a six-day literal creation important for understanding prophecy? If the universe is only 6,000 years old and 2,000 years ago Jesus said He'd be back soon, when do you expect His return? While we aren't told to speculate future dates what do you see in our culture that would tell you that His return is near?
12. Why should we be looking for Jesus? When the 70th week of Daniel begins how quickly will the events in the book of Revelation begin to take place? Will you personally be ready when they commence? Are you ready now?
13. When it comes to our salvation and life, why is it good news to know that it's all about God's grace? How instrumental is God's grace in salvation, sanctification and ultimately glorification? If it's ALL about the grace of God, how dependent should we be on God right now? How can you respond to God's grace in your love for Him and the people He created?
14. How has the Alpha and Omega series been helpful for your growth in Jesus Christ? What have been your greatest take-a-ways from this series? How have you grown in your understanding of Genesis and Revelation as a result of this study?