



QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION ON SERMON: *Revelation - A Letter of Blessing (Rev 1:1-20)*

1. People look for different ways to know the future. What are some examples you can think of? Are you fascinated with the future? Do you have a reliable way to know the future?

2. How do you see the Book of Revelation? Do you read it and how do you find it? What are some difficulties you face with this book?

3. Revelation is the only book of the Bible with the promised blessing to its reader.
“Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear it and take to heart what is written in it, because the time is near.”
 How does this encourage you to study the book in the coming days?

4. The revelation of Jesus as the Conquering King and Righteous Judge overwhelmed John. How much of this picture of Jesus as the Judge-King is in your mind as you live to follow him today? How would this picture of Jesus affect the way you live?

5. The vision of Jesus standing among the lampstands, his church, and his right hand holding the seven stars, the angels or overseers of the church shows his heart for the church. Are you going through any troubles that you find this picture comforting? Share your experience with the group.

6. Look at the following *“Beatitudes” of Hope* given in Revelation:
 - Blessing for those who read aloud the word of this prophecy in Revelations 1:3
 - Do what He says in Revelations 22:7
 - Eternal Rest for Christians in Revelation 14:13
 - For Christians who persevere to the end in Revelations 16:15
 - The church, the Bride at the Great Wedding of the Lamb in Revelations 19:9
 - Reigning with Christ on earth in the millennium in Revelations 20:6
 - Living with God on the New Earth in the New Jerusalem in Revelations 22:14

Share with one another any of the blessing/s that you find most comforting and encourage you to look forward to the future with eagerness.