

Sermon Series: Revelation - Jesus Revealed

Sermon Title: Jesus: Risen, Glorious, Present, Passionate

Scripture: Revelation 1:9-20

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INTRODUCTION

2 Corinthians 6:4-10 and Revelation 1:9

Note: In this concise introduction (after a Prologue in verses 1-3 and a Greeting in verses 4-8), John explains WHO he is, WHAT he is, WHERE he is, and WHY he's there and is at "the heart" of it all!
John 16:33
I. IN THE SPIRIT ON THE LORD'S DAY
Revelation 1:10 -
1) John was in the Spirit (submitted to the Holy Spirit), on a Sunday (the Lord's day, the day of Christ's resurrection), when he heard the powerful voice of Christ him.
Revelation 1:11 -
2) The very first command given to John is to WRITE what he SEES and to send to seven churches in Asia Minor; this is truth that is helpful for and applicable to church!
Revelation 2:7a; 2:11a; 2:17a; 2:29; 3:6; 3:13; 3:22
Revelation 1:12 -
3) Before John sees the One speaking to him, God wants him to see the setting, the, the environment surrounding this One who is speaking.
Revelation 1:20b; Matthew 5:14-16; Philippians 2:14-15
Revelation 1:13a -
4) Jesus is NOT far away or distant from His Church; He is in the very of His people!

Revelation 1:13b-16 -

5) This is (obviously!) a glorious picture of Christ; it is meant to inspire reverence/fear, worship, confidence, and in the power, majesty, and sovereign authority of Jesus.
Clothing: Jesus wears a long robe and golden sash signifying His, interceding work.
Person: White, radiant hair eyes like a burning fire and feet like burnished bronze (just out of the blazing furnace) testify to Jesus' perfect purity AND to His to purify His people.
Voice: Jesus' voice is powerful and in its sovereign might. (Ezekiel 43:2)
Right Hand: In Jesus' right hand He holds "the angels" (the; those who lead and communicate truth to His people).
Mouth: The word of Christ is able to both judge and destroy as well as save and
Face: The glory of Jesus is overwhelmingly and cannot be hidden or lessened.
Revelation 1:17-18 -
6) As the One who IS life, who died and rose, who has "the keys" (complete authority) over death itself and the domain of death (Hades), JESUS puts an end to our fear.
John 17:3
Revelation 1:19 -
7) Jesus, again, instructs John to write, and He "maps out" or this Revelation.
Revelation 4:1

Questions for Further Study, Reflection, and Application...

- 1. How does John describe himself in verse 9? Why do you think he does this?
- 2. Why was John on the Island of Patmos? What does this teach us about following Christ?
- 3. What does John first see, after he hears the voice behind him? Why is that significant that Jesus is in the midst of the lampstands? What does this tell/show us about Jesus?
- 4. How is Jesus described in verses 13-16? Why?
- 5. How does John respond to seeing the glories of Christ? How does Jesus comfort John?