

Deeper In God

February 12, 2017



THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURE: *Revelation, chapters 4-5 (6-16)*

THIS WEEK'S BIG IDEA: If we don't understand who Jesus is and what he came to do and what he accomplished, then we will be tempted to succumb to the charms of a fleeting counterfeit culture that is ultimately at war with the coming kingdom of God.

Reflect: How has your reading through Revelation been going this week? Where have you been struggling?

Reflect: Jesus is both the Lion of Judah and the Lamb that was slain. How do we interpret the radically different metaphors, and how does one inform the other? How might the power of the Lion be exemplified in the sacrifice of the Lamb?

Reflect: Of all the images in Revelation chapters 4-16, which is the most disturbing and confusing to you, and why?

Reflect: John makes it a point to insist that the people of God must remain faithful despite living in a world that lures them into its system, its way of living. How does John warn us in chapters 6-16 not to give in? What tools do we have at our disposal as Christians to fight against that?

Reflect: Did you notice that, even in the midst of judgement, God is still calling out to those whom he hopes will receive redemption and forgiveness. How do judgement and mercy work together in Revelation?

Rest & Reflect: Days 6 & 7 are days of rest and reflection. Use these days to dig a bit deeper if you feel inspired.