



Life Group  
Discussion  
Guide

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# DISSIDENT DISCIPLE

*Living the Vision  
of Revelation*



**Sermon Summary:** This week we encountered one of the most powerful images in all of Scripture: Jesus as the Lamb who was slain. In Revelation 5, John hears about the Lion of Judah but sees a Lamb standing at the center of God's throne. The victory of God comes not through force, power, or military conquest, but through the sacrificial death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. The sermon highlighted the surprising nature of God's kingdom. While the world celebrates strength, success, and winning, Jesus conquers sin, death, and Satan through humility, suffering, and self-giving love. The Lamb who appeared defeated is, in fact, the victorious King. Pastor Greg also emphasized that God's victory comes through the Word. Jesus is the Logos, the Word made flesh, and God's Word remains alive and active today. The challenge for believers is not merely to own a Bible or hear Scripture occasionally, but to allow God's Word to shape our hearts, minds, and daily lives. As followers of the Lamb, we are invited to continually reaffirm our commitment to Christ and to the life-giving power of His Word.

**Conversation Starter:** Which is easier to admire: strength or sacrifice? Why do you think that is?

**Prayer:** Lord Jesus, Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, thank You for Your sacrifice and victory over sin and death. As we gather today, open our hearts to hear Your Word. Help us not only to understand it, but to be transformed by it. Guide our discussion and draw us closer to You and to one another. Amen.

**Read Scripture together:** Revelation 5: 1-14, John 19: 1-16

## 3-Question Study Method

Use this method to understand the passage.

1. What is the passage about?
2. What do I learn about God?
3. What is the lesson I learn that I can apply to my life?

### Discussion Questions:

- In Revelation 5, John hears about the Lion of Judah but sees a Lamb who had been slain. What stands out to you about that image, and why do you think it is significant?
- The sermon emphasized that Jesus wins through sacrifice rather than force. Why is this such a different picture of power than what our culture typically celebrates?
- What does Jesus' willingness to suffer and die tell us about the character of God? How does the cross shape our understanding of God's power and kingdom?
- Pastor Greg asked whether God's Word is "static or alive" in our lives. What does that question stir in you? In what ways have you experienced Scripture as living and active, or struggled to?
- The story of King Josiah highlighted the rediscovery of God's Word after it had effectively been lost among God's people. What are some ways Christians today can unintentionally lose sight of God's Word, even while owning Bibles and attending church?
- Hebrews says that the Word of God is "alive and active." What practical habits or rhythms help you stay engaged with Scripture and attentive to God's voice?
- As you reflect on Jesus as both the Lamb who was slain and the living Word, what is one step God may be inviting you to take this week to deepen your relationship with Him?
- Optional Deeper Dive: The sermon connected Jesus' victory over sin and death with the imagery of spiritual warfare in Ephesians 6. If God's primary weapon is His Word rather than worldly power, how should that shape the way Christians engage cultural conflict, disagreement, and opposition today?

Memory Verse: "For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart." Hebrews 4:12 (NIV)

Closing Prayer: Lord Jesus, thank You for being the Lamb who was slain and the King who reigns forever. Help us carry Your Word with us this week, not merely as information but as a source of life and transformation. Give us courage to follow You faithfully and wisdom to live as Your people in the world. In Your name we pray. Amen.