

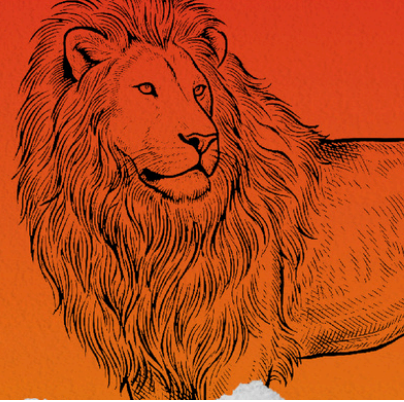


Life Group
Discussion
Guide

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*Living the Vision
of Revelation*



Sermon Summary: This sermon centers on the hope and promise found in Revelation 21, where John describes the New Jerusalem as the culmination of God’s redemptive plan—a place where God dwells fully with His people and all things are made new. The message challenges listeners to live their “dash” (the time between birth and death) with purpose, pursuing God rather than earthly treasures, and being a living temple for Christ in the world. Drawing on biblical examples and personal stories, the sermon encourages believers to embrace both the “now” of faithful living and the “not yet” of eternal life with God, confident that through Jesus, death is defeated and the future is secure.

Conversation Starter: Is there a place—real or imagined—that brings you a sense of peace or hope? What makes it special to you?

Prayer: Father God,
As we gather, please quiet our hearts and help us set aside anything that would distract us from hearing Your voice. Open our minds to understand Your Word and let Your Spirit guide us as we study together. Amen.

Read Scripture together:
Revelation 21:1–5

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:

- How does Revelation 21's vision of the New Jerusalem inspire hope or shape your understanding of eternity?
- In what ways do you see yourself searching after "gold" (earthly pursuits) instead of God, as mentioned in the sermon?
- The sermon highlights that God is making "all things new." What areas of your life do you long for God to renew?
- How do you respond to the idea that, as believers, we are living temples and representatives of Christ in the world?
- The message speaks of living in the tension between the "now" and the "not yet." What does it look like to live faithfully in this tension?
- How can the promise of God's presence and the end of sorrow and pain encourage you or someone you know who is experiencing suffering right now?
- Reflecting on the sermon's connection between Genesis (the loss of the tree of life) and Revelation (the restoration of the tree of life), how does understanding this overarching biblical narrative impact your view of God's pursuit of humanity and your place in His story?

Memory Verse: Revelation 21:4

"He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there will be no more death or sorrow or crying or pain. All these things are gone forever."

Closing Prayer: Lord Jesus,

Thank You for the hope and promise we have in You. Help us to trust in Your victory over death and to live each day reflecting Your love. Guide us as we go, and keep our hearts anchored in the hope of Your eternal kingdom. Amen.