

Summit Woods Baptist Church  
Sermon Study Equipping Class

Title/Passage

Remember to begin your study early in the week so that you have time to really think (and keep thinking) about the passage without being rushed.

❖ Day 1

Read Revelation 1:4-8.

For these lessons, the sermon text is provided in a format that visually helps display the structure of the paragraph or section of text. The main verbs are underlined. Commands are double-underlined. Generally, the main indicative clauses remain to the left, and the other clauses are either directly underneath when they have equal priority to what comes before, or are tabbed to the right when the clause supports, develops, or draws a conclusion from a neighboring clause.

<sup>4</sup>John  
to the seven churches  
that are in Asia:  
Grace  
to you  
and  
peace,  
from Him  
who is  
and  
who was  
and  
who is to come,  
and  
from the seven Spirits  
who are before His throne, <sup>5</sup>  
and  
from Jesus Christ,  
the faithful witness,  
the firstborn  
of the dead,  
and  
the ruler  
of the kings of the earth.  
To Him  
who loves us  
and  
released us  
from our sins  
by His blood--  
<sup>6</sup> and  
He has made us  
to be a kingdom,  
to His God and Father—  
to Him  
be the glory  
and  
the dominion  
forever and ever. Amen.

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<sup>7</sup> BEHOLD,  
HE IS COMING  
WITH THE CLOUDS,  
and  
every eye  
    will see Him,  
    even those  
        who pierced Him;  
    and  
    all the tribes of the earth  
        will mourn over Him.  
            So it is to be. Amen.

<sup>8</sup> "I am  
    the Alpha  
    and  
    the Omega,"  
        says the Lord God,  
    "who is  
    and  
    who was  
    and  
    who is  
        to come,  
    the Almighty."

1. Who wrote this letter? (See preceding verses as needed.) Who does he say this message is from?
2. Who specifically was this letter written to? (Also see 1:11)
3. How is Jesus described?
4. What has Jesus done?



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11. Who are the “seven Spirits”? Also see 3:1, 4:5, and 5:6 (are these the same as in 1:4?).

12. How is Jesus praised in this passage?

13. What does it mean that “He has made us to be a kingdom”? Or “priests to his God and father”? Also see Col 1:13, 1 Peter 2:9-10, Rev. 20:6

14. List the ways sin is referenced or implied.

15. What specifically has Jesus done for or to believers? How has he “released us from our sins”?  
See Romans 6:4-7, 6:23, 7:6; 2 Cor. 5:16-19

16. What does it mean that “all the tribes of the earth will mourn over Him”? See Rev. 6:15-17

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17. What significance does the repeated statement in vs. 4 and 8 have? Why would this be repeated at this point in the letter? Why would it appear surrounding what is stated in the body of this passage?

❖ Day 3

Read Revelation 1:4-8 again.

18. What significance does vs. 8 have here? What does this mean for the letter of Revelation as a whole?

19. How has the study of this passage increased your appreciation and worship of Jesus?

20. Describe how the promise of Jesus' return to earth might impact your view of current world events?

21. How should a believer's mind be prepared through this passage to read the remainder of this letter?

22. How can this passage be used in your witness of the gospel to an unbeliever?

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23. Summarize this passage in 21 words or less.

In preparation for Sunday, ask the Lord to prepare the hearts of our congregation to receive the Word. Pray we would be mindful of the Lord's return and spurred onto faithfulness because of His coming.