STUDYING THE BOOK OF REVELATION IN SMALL GROUP DISCUSSIONS

Lesson 32 – Hallelujah! - Revelation 19:1-10

Read the following verses in the New International Version or a translation of your choice. Then discuss the questions that follow. Questions should be studied by each individual before your discussion group meets. Materials may be copied and used for Bible study purposes. Not to be sold.

REV 19:1 After this I heard what sounded like the roar of a great multitude in heaven shouting:

"Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power belong to our God,

REV 19:2 for true and just are his judgments. He has condemned the great prostitute who corrupted the earth by her adulteries. He has avenged on her the blood of his servants."

REV 19:3 And again they shouted:

"Hallelujah! The smoke from her goes up for ever and ever."

REV 19:4 The twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down and worshiped God, who was seated on the throne. And they cried:

"Amen, Hallelujah!"

REV 19:5 Then a voice came from the throne, saying:

"Praise our God, all you his servants, you who fear him, both small and great!"

REV 19:6 Then I heard what sounded like a great multitude, like the roar of rushing waters and like loud peals of thunder, shouting:

"Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns.

REV 19:7 Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory!For the wedding of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready. REV 19:8 Fine linen, bright and clean, was given her to wear."

(Fine linen stands for the righteous acts of the saints.)

REV 19:9 Then the angel said to me, "Write: `Blessed are those who are invited to the wedding supper of the Lamb!' " And he added, "These are the true words of God."

REV 19:10 At this I fell at his feet to worship him. But he said to me, "Do not do it! I am a fellow servant with you and with your brothers who hold to the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy."

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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- 437. What was the roar that John heard coming from heaven? (19:1)
- 438. Why were the inhabitants of heaven praising God? (19:1-2)
- 439. Who shouted? Why? (19:3)
- 440. How did the creatures closest to God act? (19:4)
- 441. What did the voice from the throne urge? (19:5)
- 442. Why did the great multitude urge everyone to be happy? How? (19:6-7)
- 443. In what ways did the bride get ready for the heavenly wedding? (19:7-8)
- 444. What is the significance of the fine linen worn by the bride of Christ? (19:8)
- 445. Who is called "blessed"? (19:9)
- 446. How did John respond to the angel who was his "writing instructor"? (19:10)
- 447. What was the angel's instruction to John? (19:10)
- 448. What did John learn about worship? (19:10)
- 449. What did John learn about angels? (19:10)

450. What are some implications of the fact that Christ's relationship with the church is described as a marriage?

- 451. In what ways ought we to act as people "engaged" to Christ?
- 452. Who does God invite to the wedding supper of the Lamb? How?

Lesson 33 - The Rider on the White Horse - Revelation 19:11-21

REV 19:11 I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and makes war. [12] His eyes are like blazing fire, and on his head are many crowns. He has a name written on him that no one knows but he himself. [13] He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God. [14] The armies of heaven were following him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean. [15] Out of his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. "He will rule them with an iron scepter."* He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty. [16] On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written:

KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

REV 19:17 And I saw an angel standing in the sun, who cried in a loud voice to all the birds flying in midair, "Come, gather together for the great supper of God, [18] so that you may eat the flesh of kings, generals, and mighty men, of horses and their riders, and the flesh of all people, free and slave, small and great."

REV 19:19 Then I saw the beast and the kings of the earth and their armies gathered together to make war against the rider on the horse and his army. [20] But the beast was captured, and with him the false prophet who had performed the miraculous signs on his behalf. With these signs he had deluded those who had received the mark of the beast and worshiped his image. The two of them were thrown alive into the fiery lake of burning sulfur. [21] The rest of them were killed with the sword that came out of the mouth of the rider on the horse, and all the birds gorged themselves on their flesh.

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- 453. What did John see in heaven as this portion of his vision began to unfold? (19:11)
- 454. What is the name of the individual John saw? (19:11)
- 455. What is the rider of the white horse like? (19:11-13)
- 456. What does the rider of the white horse do? (19:11)
- 457. How did John describe the appearance of the rider he saw? (19:12-13, 16)
- 458. Who followed the rider of the white horse? (19:14)

- 459. What did John note about the rider's mouth? (19:15)
- 460. What message did an angel deliver? How? (19:17-18)
- 461. What will be the main course served to the birds at the great supper of God? (19:17-18)
- 462. What battle took place? (19:19-21)
- 463. Who fought against the rider of the white horse, and what was the outcome? (19:19-21)
- 464. Who gathered together? Why? (19:19)
- 465. What happened to the beast and the false prophet? (19:20)
- 466. What happened to the rest of those who followed the beast? (19:21)
- 467. What enables us to be "white and clean" in the sight of God?