

# Lesson 3

## The Exalted Lord Jesus Christ

### Revelation 1:12-20

Invite the Holy Spirit to teach and speak to you through the Word of God as you continue to meditate on Revelation 1:12-20 every day this week.

As you read through the verses presented this week, look for a special verse to make your memory verse for the week. We will share our verses at the end of our discussion time.

1. What was a new or interesting thought from last week's lesson?

*"I am the first and the last, and the living One; and I was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of death and of Hades."*

*Revelation 1:17-18*

As John writes what he sees, he begins to reveal the majesty and glory of the Lord Jesus Christ. This is the primary theme of this great book. These important truths about the risen Lord Jesus equip and sustain His followers during trying times. This unveiling of Jesus in the first chapter of Revelation is foundational to the rest of the book.

2. What did the voice of the Lord sound like to John in Revelation 1:10?
3. Describe what John saw when he turned to see the Lord in
4. Revelation 1:12-16. Sketch this scene on the note page at the end of this lesson. (You do not have to show anyone, this will simply help you to visualize the scene.)
5. In Revelation 1:20, Jesus explains the meaning of the seven stars (verse 16) and the seven lampstands (verse 12). What do they symbolize?

6. What does Jesus tell His followers in Matthew 5:14-16?

The word *angels* in verse 20 simply means messengers. It may refer to human messengers or supernatural messengers. This word was used to describe John the Baptist who was a man who preached repentance to prepare the way for the first coming of Jesus Christ. We do not know if these seven angels are human or supernatural.

7. If the angels in Revelation 1:20 are human, who do you think they might be?
8. The Son of Man is one of the Lord's favorite names for Himself. What aspects of his personhood does this title emphasize? What does this mean to you?
9. Compare the vision of John in Revelation 1 with the vision of Daniel in Daniel 10:5-9.
10. The garments that Jesus wears in Revelation 1:13 are the garments of the High Priest. Consider the following verses from the letter to the Hebrews about the High Priest: Hebrews 4:14-16, 7:25-26, 28:8:1, 9:11-14 and 10:21-22. Discuss what you learn from these verses.
11. "His head and His hair were white like white wool, like snow" (Revelation 1:14). This may be a picture of Jesus' eternal existence. See Daniel 7:9 and discuss.
12. Also in verse 14: "...His eyes were like a flame of fire." What do you think these blazing eyes symbolize about Him?

13. “His feet were like burnished bronze when it has been caused to glow in a furnace” (Revelation 1:15). In the time of Moses outside the Tabernacle was the bronze altar. This altar is a picture of the cross where Jesus bore the judgment of our sin. Bronze is a symbol of judgment. Who is under the feet of the Lord in Psalm 110:1?
  
14. What does Acts 17:31 teach us about the future role of the Lord Jesus Christ?
  
15. What does the voice of the Lord sound like in Revelation 1:15? Write down some of the things that you can think of that His voice has caused; start with John 11:43.
  
16. Hebrews 4:12 teaches about the word of God. Discuss this two-edged sword.
  
17. The word face in Revelation 1:16 can also be translated countenance and is often associated with His presence. According to this verse, what is His presence like?
  
18. John knew Jesus on the earth when He was His glory was veiled. How did Jesus describe Himself in Matthew 11:28-30?
  
19. Is the Jesus of Matthew 11 the same Jesus as seen in Revelation 1? What does Hebrews 13:8 teach us? Discuss.
  
20. John knew Jesus well when He walked on earth as a man. How does John respond to the unveiling of Jesus in Revelation 1:17?

21. Discuss what Jesus reveals about Himself in Revelation 1:17-18.
  
22. How are His words a comfort to you? See Romans 8:31-39, (special emphasis on verse 34). Discuss.
  
23. Share the memory verse that you found through this week's study and why you chose it.
  
24. From your meditation this week on Revelation 1:12-20, what do you want to remember?

## Lecture Notes: