

1. Opening

Purpose for Digs and Prayer (1 min)

Digs gather to study, pray, and apply the Word of God to our lives. Our hope is that we would increase in our love for God, love for one another, and tell others about Him (Matt 22:37-40; Matt 28:19-20).

Weekly Christian Formation (5 min)

Question 23* Why must the Redeemer be truly God?

Answer: That because of his divine nature his obedience and suffering would be perfect and effective; and also that he would be able to bear the righteous anger of God against sin and yet overcome death.

Scripture Reference: Acts 2:24

What does this mean? How does it impact our lives?

Recap (5 min)

Recap the last time your Dig Group gathered. How did you apply God's Word over the last week(s)?

2. Bible Study November 23 (30-45 minutes)

*Read the passage aloud together.

*Pray for God's wisdom to rightly understand the passage.

Scripture Reference: Revelation 10:1-11

- 1. Recall and discuss Revelation 6 and 7 when the first six seals are opened and then there was an interlude of assurance in Rev 7 before the seventh seal is opened. What events occurred? How is this similar to the six trumpets that are opened in Rev 8-9?
- 2. In Revelation 10, there is another interlude after the six trumpets before the seventh trumpet is blown. What do you think God is trying to communicate in each of these interludes?

- 3. In verses 1-3 there is a description of a mighty angel. How is the angel described? What is God communicating by revealing a vision of this angel?
- 4. In verse 4, the seven thunders are sealed up and not revealed. What does this tell us about our insight in what is to come? What do we know? What don't we know?
- 5. After the six trumpets are played, evil is rampant, there is no more repentance (9:20-21), and the time of the end is near. At the seventh trumpet God's Kingdom will be full established (11:15). In verses 5-7, the mighty angel with power over all of creation swears by the God of creation that God will fulfill His will. Why is this really important to the suffering churches, especially after they have read Revelation 8-9?
- 6. What confidence does this give us today as we follow Jesus and experience trials?
- 7. In verses 8-11, John is told to eat the scroll that would be both sweet and bitter. What is the significance of eating it. Why is it both sweet and bitter?
- 8. John is told he must keep declaring the Word of the LORD. Here verse 11 shows us the purpose of this interlude, telling John to keep going. In our own circumstances, how can resting in God's sovereignty in the midst of the chaos compel us to keep proclaiming the Word of God?

3. Confession and Prayer (30-45 minutes)

Prayer: Reserve plenty of time to pray for one another.

Prayer Challenge: Pray that God would provide opportunities for you to share Christ with people. Pray that you will make the most of every opportunity (Col 4:2-6)

**Weekly Christian Formation Questions are taken from the New City Catechism.