Group Questions – Revelation 11:15-19 – It Is So

What types of situations cause you to think, "This is the worst"?

Can you share a time you thought a situation was going to turn out very bad, but it ended up turning out really good?

How much of your life do you think is framed by perception vs. reality?

What causes us to frame our reality by our perception?

What are some other options for framing our reality besides our perception?

Read - Revelation 11:15

At this point on the earth, everything is very bad. Demons are tormenting people. The earth is falling apart physically. People are dying at an incredible rate.

Why does it seem strange that in the midst of this chaos, these "loud voices in heaven" are saying, "the kingdoms of this world HAVE BECOME the kingdoms of our Lord."?

On a long car trip, why do kids repeatedly ask, "Are we there yet?"?

How can we be like those kids with God our Father?

Read - Psalm 119:89 - "Forever, O Lord, Your word is settled in heaven."

What is the truth that this verse is stating?

Can you think of any statements God has made in His word regarding your future, but they have not yet taken place?

<u>Read</u> – Ephesians 1:4 – "*Even before He made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ"*

How does it affect you to know that God chose you to be part of His family, even before you were born?

How can knowing that truth help you have a more positive view of your future?

Read – Revelation 11:16-19

What was the response to the understanding that Jesus WOULD REIGN?

How can we replicate this scene in heaven in our lives today?

How can we worship God currently, for things He has yet to do?

How does this understanding – "The One who is and who was and who is to come," help us to worship God in the midst of chaos in our lives?

How does this understanding – "And that You should reward Your servants the prophets and the saints, And those who fear Your name, small and great," help us to worship God in the midst of chaos in our lives?

Read – Isaiah 46:9-10 – "Remember the former things of old, For I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like Me, Declaring the end from the beginning, And from ancient times things that are not yet done, Saying, 'My counsel shall stand, And I will do all My pleasure"

Since God tells us that He will accomplish ALL HIS PLEASURE, who are the people who will ultimately be disappointed?

How long are you willing to wait on God to fulfill ALL HIS PLEASURE?

How can our "get it now" culture cause us to struggle to wait on God and His promises?