Group Discussion Guide

Week of May 2, 2021

The Antichrist and the Mark of the Beast Revelation 13:1-18

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

- Share a time you were deceived by someone or something.
- How did you feel when you realized that you had been duped?
- What do you think drew you in to believe the deception?

QUICK REVIEW

Looking over your notes from this past teaching... was there anything you heard for the first time, caught your attention, challenged you, or confused you?

MAIN POINT

The antichrist will be a cheap imitation of the real Christ and taking the mark of the beast, 666, will be a willing choice to worship the antichrist.

THE WORD

Read – Revelation 13

DIGGING DEEPER

Revelation 13:1

- Who is this "beast" rising from the sea? The antichrist
- What does Rev. 17:12 tell us these 10 "horns" are? 10 kings of 10 kingdoms

Revelation 13:2

• Where does the "beast", the antichrist, get his power from? Dragon/Satan

Revelation 13:3-4

- Why will the world so willingly follow the beast/antichrist?
- How does this connect to why so many people in today's world follow anything or anyone other than Jesus Christ?
- What will the world say about the power of this beast/antichrist?

Read – John 16:33

- How does Jesus refute what the world says about the beast/antichrist?
- In what ways does the world currently seem super powerful?
- How can Jesus' promise change our view of the world we currently live in?

Revelation 13:5-8

- If the beast is able to overcome the saints (believers in Jesus), how is it
 possible that he still does not have power over them? See Luke 12:4-5
- Who does it say will worship the antichrist?

Revelation 13:9-10

What do you think is the patience and faith of the Saints?

Revelation 13:11-13

 What do you think is the significance that this 2nd beast is "like a LAMB", but "speaks like a DRAGON"?

Revelation 13:14-18

- How will the 2nd beast deceive the world into worshipping the antichrist?
- How are people today deceived into worshipping anything other than God?
- How do we as believers struggle with that same deception?
- How does this prophecy in Revelation show us it will be impossible for a believer in Jesus to be deceived into getting the mark of the beast?

TAKING IT HOME

What is something from this week's study that you want to remember and apply to your life?

PRAISE & PRAYER REQUESTS