

Sermon Discussion Questions

Lamb Power – Matt Slocum

Sermon Text: Revelation 4:1-6

AGENDA

- People arrive, talk, snack, and icebreaker – 5 min
- Worship – 5-10 min
- Prayer/Ministry Time – 20 min
- Discussion Questions – 35-45 min

INTRODUCTION

To be a true disciple of Christ we must learn how to die; die to self, letting other things die, and laying things down. Jesus is the perfect example of sacrifice. He who has all power and authority, chose to lay down his life. What does surrendering all mean to you?

In week 4 of our Revelation series, Matt Slocum's message entitled, **Lamb Power**, looks at these ideas and more.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS (35-45 min)

1. Last week you were asked to spend a few minutes each day reflecting on God's sovereignty, glory, and in worship of Him. How did it go? Did it change the way you looked at and approached each day?
2. Was there something that really stood out to you from this week's message?
3. What is the sea? What does the sea usually represent for Ancient Near East people? What is special about the Hebrew word "Tanin" and how it is used on the Bible?

How does the sea change in Revelation 4:6?

4. The Inheritance Scroll. No one in heaven or earth is able to open the scroll. Why do you think this image of no one worthy to open the scroll and inherit everything that God had promised caused John to weep? (Rev 5:4)
5. But wait! An elder tells John that there was one worthy. The Lion of the Tribe of Judah. But when John turns he doesn't see a lion but instead sees a lamb. What do you think about this difference in what John expects to see and what he actually sees?

Icebreakers

Pick one of the icebreaker questions below and go around in a circle (starting with the leader) and have everyone answer. (If you have new members or guests have each person introduce themselves.)

1. What was your favorite Halloween costume?
2. What is something you like about Fall? Do you have a favorite Fall activity?
3. What is your favorite Halloween candy?

6. Horns represent authority. Eyes represent seeing (knowing). Seven is the number of completeness. What John is telling us here is that Jesus has all authority and that he sees and knows everything. With all that power, he lays it down. He becomes a lamb. Instead of conquering as a lion, he conquers as a lamb. How does this turn our preconceived notions on end? (To have all the power in the world and lay it all down to the point of being killed for someone else?)

APPLICATION

When we don't listen, we are probably not going to see what we are meant to see; what heaven sees. What, or who, does God want you to see this week? Listen and see. Tell the group about it next week.

PRAYER (20-30 min)

Ask for prayer requests. Pray that we will be quiet and listen. And then pray that we will see.

COMING UP

To join a small group, sign up at <https://nwckc.com> or at one of the weekend services. Study materials are available to download on the church website or on the New Wine Church Community Group Facebook page.

Revelation Sermon Series, 18 Sep – 13 Nov, 9:00 and 11:00, Oak Park HS

Men's Breakfast, 15 October, 9:00am, Red Apple Diner, 211 NW Barry Rd., Kansas City, MO

Trunk or Treat – 22 October, 2:00-4:00, Oak Park HS (Register or volunteer online)

FINAL THOUGHT

If you don't listen, you won't see!