

FBC Missions Conference

Theme: 'Set Your Minds on the Things Above' (Colossians 3:1-4)

First Session Sermon Notes – Friday, August 13, 2021

“THE SOULS UNDER THE ALTAR”

Revelation 6:9-11

When he opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and for the witness they had borne. They cried out with a loud voice, “O Sovereign Lord, holy and true, how long before you will judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?” Then they were each given a white robe and told to rest a little longer, until the number of their fellow servants and their brothers should be complete, who were to be killed as they themselves had been.

- What should you expect of the Christian life?
- The fifth seal is opened, and we see “_____.”
- For what reason have they been slain? _____
- And where does John see these souls of the martyrs? _____
- The cry for vengeance comes only from the souls in _____, not from those who still _____ upon the earth.
- What is a despot? It is one with absolute _____ and _____.
- The white robe is the _____ of Christ.
- What can you expect of the Christian life? _____
- Your blood may very well run with theirs!
- Judgment will not come until _____ is complete!
- God measures the time until the judgment by _____!
- The _____ is the answer to the cry of the souls under the altar.
- This is what you can expect: _____, _____, _____, _____.
- True faith clings to Christ in _____, _____, _____!

Personal Reflection and Discussion Questions:

1. Where are the souls of the martyrs?
2. What is the cry of the martyrs?
3. How are the martyrs comforted in the midst of persecution, suffering, torture and even death?