Small Group Discussion Questions

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Memory Verse: Revelation 4:11 NIV "You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being."

The goal of these questions is to foster meaningful discussion and to encourage participants to reflect on God's Word to lead to heart transformation. Feel free to modify or expand upon these questions based on the dynamics and needs of your Small Group.

Big Idea: Sin and its pleasures will not last, but Jesus is our complete Savior.

Read Revelation 17

- Why do you think idolatry is described as adultery in the Bible? See Jeremiah 3
 or Ezekiel 16. With an understanding of spiritual adultery, what is being
 conveyed about the harlot who sits by many waters? What can be done today to
 avoid spiritual adultery? If you were ever spiritually unfaithful, how did God
 speak to you and bring you back into a right relationship with Him?
- The angel tells John that what he has seen "calls for a mind with wisdom." How would you describe the difference between knowledge and wisdom? When you need wisdom, where do you go? Why is it essential for us to seek wisdom from God? What can we do to become wise? In which areas of your life do you need more of God's wisdom?
- The harlot is dressed beautifully and offers worldly pleasures to lure people away from God. Where do you observe/feel/experience the harlot tempting you? What spiritual practices can help us combat seductive forces that try to draw us away from God?













• Jesus tells us that a house divided against itself cannot stand. What does the beast do to the very prostitute that it carries? What does that teach us about the ultimate outcome of participating in Satan's work?

Read Revelation 18

- In vs 4, God calls His people to separate themselves. What are some reasons why God calls His people to be set apart? How do we balance not being of the world but still being a light to the world?
- Babylon tried to build a tower to heaven, but instead, her sins are stacked so high they reach heaven. The tower of Babel was constructed so the people could make a name for themselves. Reflect on your heart and personal motives. How much of what you do is "me first, my way" instead of "God first, His way"? How can we recognize when we are living selfishly and pivot to be more of a servant? Do you struggle to find joy in putting others first if you never feel like you are put first?
- Some believe that the torment of hell will come from being given over full measure to their sin. How do we see God employing consequences connected to their life choices? There is a connection between the way we treat people and the way God interacts with us. See Matthew 6:14-15; 7:1-3; 25:41-46. How do our choices reflect our relationship with God?
- Those who are mourning over Babylon are sad because of all the luxury items, connected to their way of life, that have been destroyed. They are caught up and focused on their outward appearance and their income. Contrast this with how God looks at our heart and how we should rely on Him for provision. Have you ever been more focused on appearances than the condition of your heart? How can we strive to put proper focus on the things that really matter?











