

# 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:** God is our perfect inheritance that provides permanent provision and perfect peace.

- The prologue of Revelation mentions that the chapters that follow are a blessing to those who read it; this blessing is reiterated at the end of Revelation as well. How has this sermon series on Revelation been a blessing to you? What impact has it had? What are some things you will remember and take with you from this series?

## Read Revelation 21

- Why isn't there a temple in the New Jerusalem? Considering the constant presence of God and the Lamb in the New Jerusalem, how do you envision your relationship with God being transformed in this new reality?
- When the new earth arrives, God wipes away every tear. What grief, emotional trauma, or pain are you presently dealing with? Have you felt God's presence as you've walked through those challenges? Is the future hope for a place without these things encouraging to you? How can you share this hope of the new heaven and new earth with others who are struggling?



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- It is a joyous declaration that “death will not exist.” How much does the fear of death weigh on you? Why do you think this can be a heavy issue for some? On which Scriptures can we meditate to lessen the fear associated with death?
- Have you ever had an emotionally difficult goodbye because you were not sure if you would ever meet again? We’re reminded that in heaven, there will never be goodbye. Imagine you are talking with an unbeliever, sharing how Jesus removed the penalty of the second death. With whom are you most looking forward to reconnecting in heaven and why? With whom are you most looking forward to meeting for the first time and why?

## Read Revelation 22

- How can you champion the values and characteristics of the New Jerusalem today, in the midst of a broken world? In which spaces are you trying to be a light in a dark world? What are some baby steps you can take to grow your confidence in being evangelistic?
- Practically speaking, what does it mean for you to be a servant of God and of the Lamb? Do you currently serve in some capacity at New Covenant? If so, describe the joy you find in serving others. If you’re not serving right now, what are some areas where your passions and skills align with a need? How can you use your talents to serve the body of Christ?
- What does it mean for Jesus to be the Alpha and the Omega? In what ways has Jesus been the first/the beginning and in what ways is He the last/the end? How does this concept provide hope and excitement to your faith journey?
- How secure do you feel about your name being written in the Book of Life? If very secure, why? If not secure, why not? Is there any area of complacency in your spiritual walk because of your assurance of your heavenly destination? How do you see your spiritual walk advancing the kingdom of God?
- In what ways may people be tempted to add to or subtract from the prophecy found in Revelation? Why do you think such a strict warning is given for this book but not others? Speaking in broader terms, where do you see people adding or subtracting from God’s Word today?



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