



Yours Truly, Jesus: Week 1, *That's Impossible*

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Small Group Discussion Questions

Getting Started

Take some time to catch up and connect as a group. Pray before discussion.
Expect God to move through your time together!

Pacing Your Group

Move quickly through “observation” leaving enough time for “reflection”, “discussion”, and “surrender.”

Scripture Reading

Re-read the scripture passages as needed when you discuss the questions.

Observation: *What does this scripture passage say?*

Take some time to look up and read **Revelation 1:1-20**

1. What should readers of Revelation expect? (v1-3)
2. Describe John’s experience in Revelation 1. What did he see and hear? (v9-20)

Reflection and Discussion: *What are some first thoughts flowing from the scriptures?*

Talk together about how the scriptures connect to everyday life.

3. The vision that John experiences in Revelation includes many signs and symbols that convey the essence of what is to happen. What John saw, in most cases, was indescribable, so he used illustrations to show what it was like. When reading symbolic language, we don’t have to understand every detail – John himself didn’t. John’s imagery shows us that Christ is indeed the glorious and victorious Lord.
 - *What aspects of God’s work throughout the ages – past, present, or future – is particularly hard to grasp?*
 - *How does God help us grasp difficult kingdom concepts?*
4. Revelation is a book of prophecy that is both *prediction* (foretelling future events) and *proclamation* (preaching about who God is and what he will do). In this sermon series, we’re focusing on 7 letters that Jesus wrote to churches that he loves.
 - *If you were to receive a letter from Jesus today, what would you want it to include?*
5. Reading a letter from someone can help us understand who they are and their thoughts toward us. Letter writing is an intentional act.
 - *What aspects of God’s character or purpose can we see in Chapter 1?*
 - *What can we understand about ourselves from Chapter 1?*

Surrender: Responding to God’s voice.

6. What is one thing God is saying to you through this study and discussion?

**** Take some time to pray for one another in response to what has been discussed today ****

We’re here!

We would love to hear about how things are going in your small group!
Reach out any time with questions, ideas, thoughts, or concerns.

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