

## How To **Win** When You Can't **Lose** Intro To Revelation

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Transcends **TIME**, **CULTURE**, and **LANGUAGES**.

Has a great **DRAMATIC** and **EMOTIONAL** impact.

Ties in more of the **PAST** than the **FUTURE**.

Is better to **HEAR** and **SEE** than to **READ**.

### How to read this book:

Revelation 1

This book is:

More about how **TO LIVE** than how **IT ENDS**.

Written to **REVEAL**, not **CONCEAL** the truth.

Meant to bring **HOPE** and **ENCOURAGEMENT** not  
**DOOM** and **GLOOM**.

Going to give us a much better picture of **JESUS** than  
anything we ever **COLORED** in **SUNDAY SCHOOL**.

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#### Key Study Sources:

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# LIFE GROUPS

## DISCUSSION GUIDE

These questions are designed to help groups discuss the weekend teaching while building relationships with each other and applying God's Word to our lives.

*April 14, 2024* | *Revelation 1*



### WARM UP

1. When the series in Revelation was announced, what were your expectations about what would be covered? After hearing the first message, have your expectations changed at all?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. What do you hope to learn as we study Revelation together? Why do you want to learn or know that, and how might knowing that benefit you?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. What was your favorite part of the message this weekend? Was there anything that challenged or confused you?



### KNOW IT

1. Listen to or read Revelation 1 aloud. What topic or theme stands out to you most as you read it? What is it about that theme that stands out to you?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. Verse 3 calls those who read and hear this book "blessed." What do you think it means to be blessed? What is a definition of blessing in your own words?



## SHARE IT

1. Chris challenged us to focus on what is revealed, not what is concealed. Why do you think it's often hard for us to do that? In your own life, how easy or difficult is it for you to do this?

2. In verse 17, John fell at Christ's feet as though dead. Have you ever had a moment where you figuratively fell at Christ's feet? I.e., a moment where you were awestruck, humbled, or moved in reverence of Christ or something He did? If so, explain. If not, what do you think it might take for you to have a moment like that?



## LIVE IT

1. Chris talked about how this book should bring hope and that hope should impact how we live our lives. What do you think is different about a hopeful person compared to a pessimist or a fearful person? How does hope change things, and why does it matter?

2. Chris talked about how, in Exodus 19, God told Moses that Israel would be a kingdom of priests, and in Revelation 1:5-6, we see this is fulfilled in Jesus. What does it look like to live as a "priest" or a representative of God in our world today, as you go about your daily activities and interactions with people?