

Revelation 15-16: Round Three

MAIN THING

God Gives One Last Chance For People To Turn To Him

SCRIPTURE

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ICEBREAKER

What's the best Christmas gift you've ever received?

OPENING THOUGHT

This section of Revelation shows the third and final stage of God's judgment on an unrepentant end-time society- the bowl judgments. The angels pour out seven bowls bringing about seven plagues on the earth, each one increasing in severity. This is God's last-ditch effort to wake up humanity before the return of Christ and the final judgment.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. What was one thing that stood out to you from this weekend's message?
- 2. In the sermon, after the list of the seven plagues that hit the earth, there was a list of four things we can learn from Revelation so far. They were 1) God does not take sin lightly- don't mistake God's patience for leniency, 2) God gives us a glimpse of what His absence looks like, 3) God desires all to repent and be saved, and 4) There will be many who will go to hell by their own choice. Which one of these spoke the most to you and why?
- 3. The ongoing theme in Revelation is that even with all the calamity, many people won't repent and turn to God. We basically see how strong and destructive the sin of pride truly is. Why do you think people allow pride to overcome all sense of reason and logic, and why do you think people allow pride to completely and totally destroy them in this way?

LIFE APPLICATION

In this last, sad chapter of humanity right before the return of Christ, we see the cost of pride. These chapters clearly state that people will believe in God. There's no doubt about it. However, we see a huge difference between belief and love. Belief in God doesn't equal love for God. We see in these chapters that belief in God isn't enough. So, the life application point is this- do you simply BELIEVE in God, or do you actually LOVE God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength? How does one know the difference?

CHALLENGE

How has your understanding of your faith, the church, the book of Revelation, or the Bible in general changed as a result of this series?