

Revelation III: The Reveal

Pastor James Heyward

A Review:

Revelation Series I - Part 1:Start at Home. Messages to the Church (chapters 1-3).

Revelation Series I - Part 2: Start at the Throne. The throne is the main location in Revelation. The Lamb is the main thing in Revelation (chapters 4-5).

Revelation II - Deconstruction Time. In God's master plan to bring His Kingdom to the earth, the first step has to be deconstruction (chapters 6-18).

This week, we begin **Revelation Series III - The Reveal.** Chapters 19-20 cover four significant end time events.

A. The Wedding Supper of the Lamb.

Read Revelation 19:1-9 and Ephesians 5:25-27 (Message).

In the wedding supper, Jesus is the Groom: the wedding is a picture of acceptance.

- 1. In the revelation verses it says that the 'bride has made herself ready'; the bride is the Church. How does the 'bride' make herself ready?
- 2. The wedding is a picture of acceptance. How does this picture illustrate acceptance? Why is acceptance important?

B. The Second Coming of Christ.
Read Revelation 19:11-16 and Matthew 24:30-31 (Message).

In the second coming, Jesus is the Lord: the picture is of <u>victory</u>.

- 3. Look at the Revelation verses and pick out the images the you see as representing victory? Explain why these images represent victory to you.
- 4. Why is it important that you understand that Jesus is Lord and will return in victory?
- C. The Millennium Read John 5:28-29 (Message).

Three viewpoints on the Millennium - the thousand year reign of Christ on earth.

- Pre-millennium: Jesus comes again before the millennium.
- Post-millennium: Jesus comes again after the millennium.
- A-millennium: Jesus comes again without an earthly millennium.

In the millennium, Jesus is Lord; the millennium reign of Christ is picture of authority.

- 5. The when and where is not the most important question; it is the who and what. The who is Jesus and the what is how we have lived. Are you living the 'right way' that you 'will walk out into a resurrection life'?
- 6. Why is it important to recognize Jesus' authority in the way you live right now?
- D. The Great White throne Judgement Read Revelation 20:11-12 and John 5:24 (Message).

At the great white throne, Jesus is the Judge; the great white throne is a picture of justice.

- 7. According to the John verses, do believers need to fear the great white throne judgement? Explain your answer.
- 8. Why is it important that you understand that the end times include judgement and justice? How should this understanding affect how you live today?