

THE BOOK OF

### REVELATION

UNTIL HE COMES

#### **REVELATION 8:1-5**

**GROUP RESOURCE** 

# OVERVIEW SERMON SCRIPTURE DISCUSSION PRAYER

### **OVERVIEW**

It's no mystery that the book of Revelation can feel intimidating and confusing. A simplified understanding of Revelation is this, how could the Christians in the first century remain faithful to Jesus even when faced with persecution and death?

Hope. Hope in what? Hope in Jesus. The book of Revelation helps Christians stand firm because we know how it ends, that Jesus will be victorious in the end. The book of Revelation provides the perfect end to the Bibles grand story of God and humanity.

### SERMON

#### THE PRAYER OF THE SAINTS

- 1. How does prayer align your will to His?
- 2. Out of being deceived, distracted, or self-reliant what gets in the way the most of your prayer life?
- 3. What is one way you can grow in prayer this week?

### SCRIPTURE

#### **REVELATION 8:1-5 ESV**

1 When the Lamb opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven for about half an hour. 2 Then I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and seven trumpets were given to them. 3 And another angel came and stood at the altar with a golden censer, and he was given much incense to offer with the prayers of all the saints on the golden altar before the throne, 4 and the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the saints, rose before God from the hand of the angel. 5 Then the angel took the censer and filled it with fire from the altar and threw it on the earth, and there were peals of thunder, rumblings, flashes of lightning, and an earthquake.

## DISCUSSION

- 1. How does knowing the prayers of the saints go before God encourage you?
- 2. How does this passage change how you view prayer?
- 3. What do you learn about God?

### PRAYER

Take time to pray over peoples needs

#### **GUIDED CLOSING PRAYER:**

Jesus, thank you that you hear our prayers. We ask for you to increase the value of prayer in our lives.

Amen.