

THE BOOK OF
REVELATION
UNTIL HE COMES

REVELATION 1:4-8

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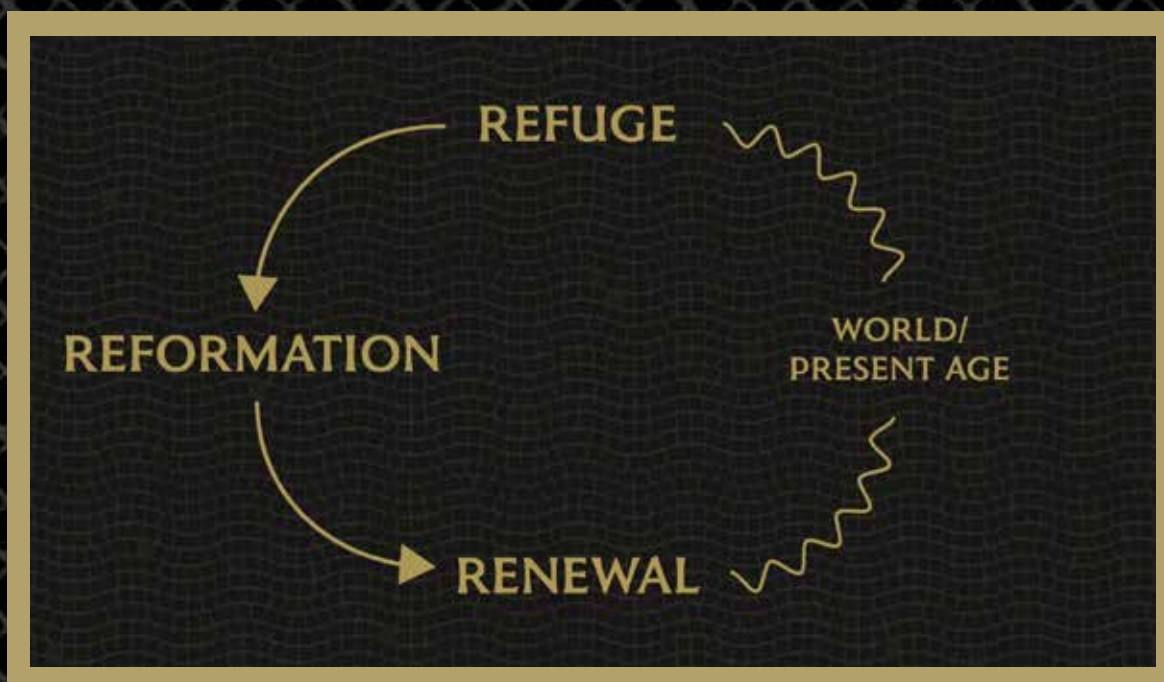
It's no mystery that the book of Revelation can feel intimidating and confusing. A simplified understanding of Revelation is this, how could the Christians in the first century remain faithful to Jesus even when faced with persecution and death?

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 Bible's grand story of God and humanity.

INTRO

GREETING TO THE SEVEN CHURCHES

1. What does it mean that the Church is “a Kingdom of priests awaiting Christ’s coming return and reign?”
2. How should the Church be living in the world among earthly kings and kingdoms?
3. How have you experienced the chart below in your own life?



SCRIPTURE

REVELATION 1:4-8 ESV

⁴ John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood ⁶ and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. ⁷ Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

⁸ “I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”

DISCUSSION

1. In v.5b it says, “To Him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood.” Why is that an important foundation for verse 6?
2. What does it look like to live as a kingdom of priests?
3. In v.6 it says, “to him be the glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.” As a kingdom of priests, what is one way this week you can give God the glory?

PRAYER

- Take time to pray over peoples needs

GUIDED CLOSING PRAYER:

Jesus, thank you for loving us and setting us free from our sins by the shedding of your blood.

As we go throughout the rest of our day and week, help us to live in the reality that we are priests that exist to give you all the glory.

Amen.