

# Growth Group Discussion Guide

## May 17, 2020

**Don't miss the point (Revelation signs, symbols & misunderstandings)**

### **Our Scripture: Revelation 5**

Were you able to hear the sermon this week? Access each week's sermon at our website: [www.at-onechurch.org](http://www.at-onechurch.org). Was there anything that confused you or needs clarification to better understand this week's teaching?

### **GETTING TO KNOW YOU**

If the world were ending tomorrow, what would you do today?

### **DIGGING DEEPER**

1. In Matthew chapter 24 and the first 30 verses of chapter 25 Jesus teaches and tells parables about the end of time. In Matthew 25:31-46, Jesus describes the scene at heaven's gate. In light of Jesus' teaching, list 5 activities we should be engaged in today.
2. Read 1 Peter 4:7-8 What did Peter teach we should do in readiness for the end of time?

### **MEDIA MIX - "Interpreting Revelation"**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=462lukVbhkM>

How does this National Geographic video reflect what we have learned in this preaching series on Revelation?

How shall we live now if we are rightly prepared for the end of time?

## **TAKING IT HOME**

1. Martin Luther was asked about what he would do if the world were to end tomorrow. His response: “Even if I knew that tomorrow the world would go to pieces, I would still plant my apple tree.” How is this quote a proper response to our understanding of the book of Revelation?

Why is this quote the basis for our Apple Tree Society Endowment fund? Most active Lutheran church members leave this world with as much as 90% of their assets intact. What arrangements have you made for a legacy of ministry with your financial assets that remain after your death? If interested in creating a plan, speak with Ron Petersen. [ron@petersenassoc.com](mailto:ron@petersenassoc.com) (262) 385-1697

2. Greg advises us to avoid two extremes in understanding Revelation.
- A. being fixated on the signs, symbols & human activity of the end times.
  - B. not living in readiness.

Which extreme are you prone to represent? Why?

3. Is Coronavirus a sign that the end of the world is near?

## **PRAYER REQUESTS and PRAYER TIME**

Our world is filled with pain in this COVID 19 season. What situation has broken your heart this week?

## **Housekeeping**

- This is the final discussion guide in our “Faith Over Fear” series. We will provide a simplified discussion guide for sermons beginning May 31. What are your plans for group connection this summer?
- Did you participate in the Atonement Town Hall meeting on Sunday May 17 regarding “Badger Bounce Back” and our phased plan for opening the church? This Town Hall is recorded and available at our website. How does our ministry plan influence your group plans?