



SERMON STUDY QUESTIONS FOR MAY 5, 2014

Sermon Series: The Lion, The Lamb, Our Savior

Sermon: "The Christ of Three Time Zones"

Scripture: Revelation 1:1-8

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1. In the past, which of the four phrases best describes the way you have personally approached a study of the Book of Revelation?
 - a. A problem to be avoided
 - b. A mystery to be solved
 - c. A test to be passed
 - d. A revelation of the Christ who is to be worshipped
2. There were six things about God in this text that were highlighted. Of the six, which one is the most meaningful and helpful to you at this point in your Christian walk and why?
3. Why is it important for a Christian to be "consistently Trinitarian" in their understanding and worship of God?
4. Although God is above and beyond time (he is eternal), why does he represent himself as the "God who is, who was, and who is to come"?
5. There were three things about us that were highlighted in this message. List them below and identify which of the three is most meaningful to you at this point in your Christian walk and why.
6. It was stated: "Every Christian faces daily four choices when it comes to defining ourselves." What are those four choices? Which one is your typical default setting (the one you are naturally drawn to)? What does it mean for "the gospel to define you"?
7. Because we are called into community with each other as a church, we must "rethink" our cultural emphasis on "private autonomy" and its impact upon us. In what ways do you think such a secular view of autonomy has compromised your view of and connection to the church?
8. Which "time zone" do you typically focus on? How is this focus helpful to you or hurtful to you? What change in your life might you experience if you consistently lived by faith in all three time zones?
9. "How then shall we live" should be a question we both ask and answer after every sermon and study of Scripture. Four specific points were made in this regard. "We are a people of..." Which of the four speaks to your heart most strongly? How is the gospel changing you? Are you praying for God to revive your heart, your relationships, your church? How is he answering that prayer, and how will you respond to him as he does so?