

all things new

REVELATION**ICE BREAKER**

What is the number one thing you do to get ready for a long trip?

TEXT

Revelation 22:6-21 | *Have a member of your group read the passage aloud.*

⁶And he said to me, “These words are trustworthy and true. And the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, has sent his angel to show his servants what must soon take place.”

⁷“And behold, I am coming soon. Blessed is the one who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book.”

⁸I, John, am the one who heard and saw these things. And when I heard and saw them, I fell down to worship at the feet of the angel who showed them to me, ⁹but he said to me, “You must not do that! I am a fellow servant with you and your brothers the prophets, and with those who keep the words of this book. Worship God.”

¹⁰And he said to me, “Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is near. ¹¹Let the evildoer still do evil, and the filthy still be filthy, and the righteous still do right, and the holy still be holy.”

(Turn to the ESV Bible to continue reading verses 12-21)

MESSAGE OUTLINE

Title: The Great Return

Big Idea: Live in anticipation of Jesus’ Return

Key Question: How can I live in anticipation of Jesus’ Return

1. Keep His Word. (vv. 6-11)
2. Wash your robes. (vv. 12-15)
3. Come to the Lord. (vv. 16-21)

DISCUSSION



- As believers we live in the anticipation of Jesus' return! What does it look like to actively live with this anticipation?
- This week's passage urges us to "keep God's word." Do you have a consistent pattern of reading and studying the Scriptures? If not, how could you begin one? If yes, what would it look like for you to invigorate your current rhythm? Share your best tips for personal Bible study.
- Reread Revelation 22:14. Having our "robes washed" is a figurative description of having our sins forgiven as the blood of Jesus is applied to our account. Are there areas in your life that you have not surrendered to the cleansing Jesus provides? What attitudes or behaviors do you need to confess and submit to the sanctifying work of the Spirit?
- Revelation 22:16-17 reads of Jesus' invitation to come to the Lord. Have you answered Jesus' invitation to come? If you have, share about the moment you first responded. How do we continue to respond today to this call today?
- Part of preparing for Jesus' return is sharing his invitation with others. Describe your understanding of the responsibility we as believers have to make disciples of people from other cultures and nations?

LIFE APPLICATION



Jesus is returning! As we anticipate his coming, we're called to take action. To hold tight to his word, to "wash our robes," and to respond to Jesus' invitation to "come." Discuss which of these three actions you could individually use to work on this week. How can you hold one another accountable to respond to this week's message?

jot your ideas below and send a picture to your group to remind everyone of your action steps this week.

PRAYER REQUESTS



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