Revelation: The King is Coming

SERMON SUMMARY

The book of Revelation emphasizes the unveiling of Jesus Christ and His control over history. The message highlighted the importance of understanding prophecy, the role of the seven churches, and the call to repentance. Despite the chaos in the world, God is in control, and His promises are trustworthy.

- 1. God is in control of history and our personal stories.
- 2. Revelation is a message of hope and blessing for believers.
- 3. Repentance is crucial for maintaining a right relationship with God.
- 4. Jesus is the ultimate authority, holding the keys to death and Hades.
- 5. We are called to be a light in a dark world.
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KEY VERSES

Revelation 1:1-3 (NLT)

1 This is a revelation from Jesus Christ, which God gave him to show his servants the events that must soon take place. He sent an angel to present this revelation to his servant John, 2 who faithfully reported everything he saw. This is his report of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ. 3 God blesses the one who reads the words of this prophecy to the church, and he blesses all who listen to its message and obey what it says, for the time is near.

Revelation 1:8 (NLT)

8 "I am the Alpha and the Omega—the beginning and the end, "says the Lord God. "I am the one who is, who always was, and who is still to come—the Almighty One."

Revelation 2:4-5 (NLT)

4 "But I have this complaint against you. You don't love me or each other as you did at first! 5 Look how far you have fallen! Turn back to me and do the works you did at first. If you don't repent, I will come and remove your lampstand from its place among the churches.

Revelation 2:10 (NLT)

10 Don't be afraid of what you are about to suffer. The devil will throw some of you into prison to test you. You will suffer for ten days. But if you remain faithful even when facing death, I will give you the crown of life.

QUESTIONS

- 1. What stood out to you the most from today's sermon?
- 2. How does knowing that God is in control of history impact your daily life?
- 3. Why do you think Jesus emphasized the need for repentance in His messages to the seven churches?
- 4. What are some ways we can ensure we don't lose our 'first love' for Jesus?
- 5. How can we apply the lessons from the church of Ephesus to our own lives?
- 6. What does it mean to you that Jesus holds the keys to death and Hades?
- 7. How can we be a light in a world that often feels dark and chaotic?
- 8. What steps can we take to be more faithful in our walk with Christ, especially in times of trial?

LIFE APPLICATION

This week, take time each day to reflect on your relationship with Jesus. Identify one area where you can rekindle your 'first love' for Him and take a concrete step to deepen that relationship.