


Discussion Guide

Summer Playlist: wk4 “You Are”

July 23, 2023

Big Idea

 God as Father, Son, & Holy Spirit is worthy of worship now, and for all eternity, both here on Earth and in Heaven because of His holiness.

Icebreaker

Describe the most personally impactful worship experience you have ever had.

Discussion Questions


1. As we read the Book of Revelation it is important & encouraging to realize that much of what is shared by John is symbolic. Read Revelation 4:1-6. What may the *throne* that we read of here be symbolic of, when it comes to God’s characteristic? How about the *rainbow*? The *flashes of lighting & peals of thunder*? Any other possible symbols you see in these verses along with ideas on what they may represent or mean? And, what’s up with 7...what does that represent in Jewish tradition & writing?
2. Read Revelation 4:8. What is repeatedly being proclaimed here about the Lord God Almighty? How consistently are the living creatures proclaiming this (what does the text say?) about the Lord God Almighty? Why do you think that is? How may this encourage you & I in our worship?
3. In thinking about the last scene (Revelation 4:8), is the form of worship seen here practical for us, as humans on earth, to mirror exactly or are there other ways that we can express the same heart of gratitude toward God (worship in other words) and in doing so proclaim Him? If so, what are some of those “other” ways? With that, here is Revive Wesleyan’s stated Value of Worship: *We worship God every day in awe and wonder with our thoughts, speech, and actions.* Did your “other” ways cover all the areas of our stated value? If not, maybe brainstorm some more.
4. Read Revelation 4:9-11. What is the physical response of the twenty-four elders and what does this communicate to us about God’s holiness and our lack thereof? Is the response we see here more about God, us, or both and how? What from this passage seems to make God worthy?
5. Continuing to consider Revelation 4:9-11, what do you think are some “crowns” (abilities, opportunities, places of authority & influence, resources, etc.) that God has given you that you could use in worship of Him today? What is your next step in moving towards, or doing that?
6. Read Revelation 5:1-14. Discuss together what the sermon pointed out from this passage regarding the sudden description change from the Lion to the Lamb seen in verses 5 & 6. What does this tell us about how Jesus went about defeating, or disabling, sin & death and thus the evil one for us? Fill in the blanks: Jesus is w_____ because he redeemed all things through his d_____. How can we follow him in this?

Concluding Question

Share thoughts with one another on the song, “You Are”.

Application

1. What do you think the Holy Spirit may be saying to you through this sermon and our discussion?
2. What is something God wants you to do now?
3. Is there a way we can help each other apply what God is showing us?

 Prayer Pray for God to draw those who are considering being baptized in August to do so. And pray for those who have already expressed their plan to do so. Follow through & protection of all.