**A STUDY IN REVELATION**

**INTRO wk2**

**INTRO: The Book of Revelation is an unveiling, a pulling back the curtain on 2 things: Jesus and God’s Plan for the world.**

**ICEBREAKER: Through the eyes of today’s world, how is Jesus and His church viewed? And why? No respect, not important, take or leave, trouble**

1. **Does the way you see God effect the way you live? Why?**

* **The things you do and the decisions you make are based on a foundation or truth. If that truth is not God, then you make ungodly choices and decisions.**

1. **Does the way you see God change the way you see the world? Why?**

* **I think it changes everything. Your World view, your self-image- (are you worth anything), the image of others- (do people have a worth? If so, you treat them differently)….**

1. **Why did Jesus free his people from sin? V6**

* **The purpose was His people constitute a kingdom and are priests (1 Peter 2:5), of God the Father. They are to mediate blessing to the world and be dependent on God, so that God would receive glory and honor and praise as they carried out their mandate. (Like Adam and Eve, like Israel).**

1. **Who do you think v7 is talking about? Who is coming?**

* **Jesus (Daniel 7:13-14)**
* **(1 Thessalonians 4:16)**

1. **v 8 God introduces Himself as the Alpha and Omega. What does that mean?**

**- The 1st and the Last, Alpha is first letter of Greek alphabet and Omega is the last letter. He is LORD over all eternity.**

1. **v 9 Where is John writing from and why is he there?**

* **Patmos prison camp**
* **Because he was preach out about Jesus during a time when the Emperor required that everyone worship him.**

1. **Does John being put away in prison keep him from having purpose 9a?**

* **No, God still uses him in tough situations. The same with us.**

**(READ vv. 10-16)**

1. **v 10 Who was this? (Daniel 7:13) and V 18 reveals**

* **Son of Man is the title given to the Messiah in Daniel 7:13**

1. **What do you think is one of the main purposes of the description in verse 13-16?**

* **It’s about understanding who Jesus is and that there is more to Jesus than meets our normal eyes.**

1. **What is the symbolism of the robe with a gold sash across chest?**

* **Garments of A Judge and king**

1. **What is the meaning of “his head and hair was white as wool or snow?**

* **Daniel 7:9**

1. **What’s the meaning of the “eyes with flames of fire, His bronze feet, voice like thunder and two-edge sword coming from His mouth?**

* **Piercing, refines, purifies**
* **Represents judgement**
* **Rushing water- majestic, powerful**
* **Reference to “the Word of God” ….authority**

1. **What did John do when he saw all this? And why? (v 17-18)**

* **Fell at Jesus’ feet. Out of fright, honor, respect,**
* **Maybe didn’t recognize Jesus, but Jesus comforted John and described himself for John**

1. **What did Jesus just tell us with the statement “I am the first and the last”?**

* **Jesus claimed to be God (v 8 God says, v 17 Jesus says, Chap 22:13 Jesus says)**

1. **Who are the seven stars and the seen lampstands? (v 19-20)**

* **Angels of the 7 churches**
* **The 7 churches (the light of the world, we are the light of the world)**