

## Revelation | Pain

**Next Steps Review:** What did you do to prioritize Jesus this week? How have you been doing reading through the book of Revelation?

**This Week's Big Idea:** The way we face the trials and tribulation in our lives is a testimony to the truthfulness of God's word where he says "Never will I leave you, never will I forsake you."

**What do you remember most, or what stuck with you from the weekend's teaching?**

**Ice Breaker:** Would you describe yourself as more of a lion or a lamb? At home? Work? With friends?

**Scripture:** Revelation 5 (Have your group take turns reading a few verses at a time.)

1. How important is it for you to know if we are in the Last Days?
2. Why do you think Christ is described as both a Lion and a Lamb?
3. How could the song sung to the lamb in this chapter offer encouragement to believers?

**Scripture:** Revelation 6|9-11

4. What would you consider to be modern day "tribulations" that we experience? Are there any difficulties you are experiencing now that come to mind?
5. Discuss the white robes and the instruction given to the martyrs in verse 11. Is there a lesson in these verses for Christians today?
6. Recount an episode in your life where you experienced a trial that caused you to grow as a person. How have you (or how can you) use that experience to help others?

**Scripture:** Revelation 7|9-17

7. Can you recount a time in your past where you can say God helped you persevere? How did He show himself to you?
8. Read over the passage again on your own. What words or ideas stuck out to you? Share those words or verses with the group and why they were significant to you.
9. What encouragement can we draw from this passage when we think about any current or future pain/trials that we experience?

**Next Steps:** Of the following actions to take when you are experiencing pain, which do you feel is one you need to focus on? What about the discussion today will help inform how you take that step?

Take Responsibility (Rev 5:6) | Stop Beating Yourself Up  
(Rev 5:10) | Don't Take it Personally (Rev 6:1-8) | Find Your  
Purpose (Rev 6:9-11) | Find Your Community (Rev 7:9) | Release Your Right To Revenge (Rev  
6:15-17) | Remember That You're Remembered (Rev 7:1-4)