

REVELATION

FINDING PEACE IN A WORLD OF CHAOS





Week 13: The Grace of the Lamb or Wrath of the Lion

Date: Week of 4/7/2024 **Scripture:** Revelation 6:9-17

Bridgebuilder Opening

1. What is something that you have waited a long time for and thought that the wait was taking too long? What was the result when it was finally done?

Observations and Interpretations

- 1. Read Revelation 6:9-17 and circle or highlight any words that stand out to you. What are some of your observations from this initial reading of the text?
- 2. Where else in Scripture do we see the question "How long?" being asked of God? What is the usual resolution of this question in those passages?
- 3. What are some of the signs of comfort and grace that God offers the martyrs? Why does He delay in avenging them for dying in his name?
- 4. How does the wrath shown in verses 12-17 complement and not take away from the grace God shows in verses 9-11?
- 5. What is the main thing John is trying to teach us in these verses?

Applications

1. What do our "How Long?" cries to God focus on today? What is the answer/response that we hope God will give versus what is the way God is more likely to answer according to Scripture?

- 2. This year our church is focusing on the theme of bringing *peace* into our lives and city. How can this text help give you *peace*, as you live in a world of chaos?
- 3. In one sentence, state one thing the Lord wants you to take away from this study.

The Gospel and Prayer

Regardless of the circumstances in our world, we see from this passage that it is far greater to face trials even up to death as followers of God redeemed by the death and resurrection of Jesus. We can know that we will be comforted and provided for by God himself. Those who reject God, however, even the powerful like kings, nobles, and generals, are undone by the judgment of God in the end. Pray with thanksgiving for the redemption of Jesus and with hope that God will bring about justice and restoration even if everything else seems to be falling apart.



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