



Sermon Discussion Guide
Advent 2019: God With Us
Revelation 21:1-8
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Step 1: Reflect on the Text

Read the Scripture printed above. What stands out to you? What do you find interesting and/or important? What is challenging or causes you to have questions?

Step 2: Reflect on the Sermon

INTRODUCTION

1. Why is it that waiting can be so particularly painful? What are some things you have waited for that have not yet happened? What are some things that you have waited for that have happened?
2. What was your one, big takeaway from the sermon? How would you summarize the main theme of the sermon in one phrase or sentence?

THE VISION (vv. 1-4)

1. What part of the Jeff's description of the New Heaven and the New Earth struck you at particularly interesting, powerful, or hopeful? Was this picture of the afterlife new for you? How was your understanding of "heaven" changed?
2. Focus in on v. 3. Does this personally comfort you? Does it feel tangible?

THE VOICE (vv. 5-8)

1. How can we continue to have faith considering the fact that it has been 2000 years since Jesus promised to come back? What are some biblical examples of God fulfilling his promises even many years later?
2. John is calling his readers to faithful waiting? How does this passage encourage faithfulness?

Step 3: Final Reflections

3. How has your understanding, appreciation, and love for Jesus and the gospel grown as a result of this study?
4. In what areas of faith and practice are you feeling convicted by the Holy Spirit to act as a result of this study?