

IN THE END | WEEK 1

WORSHIP IS OUR DESTINY

Revelation is a book of mystery, of things yet to come. I've always been so fascinated with the book of Revelation because it brings me to this place of awe with God. It reminds me just how big, and how glorious our King really is. Revelation tells us that there is suffering but leaves us with a picture of a God who is strong and eternal that is unlike any other book. We're told about a God who has triumphed over evil, who is presently triumphing over evil and who will forever triumph over evil.

**"THEN HE SAID TO ME, "IT IS DONE! I AM THE ALPHA AND THE OMEGA, THE BEGINNING AND THE END."
REVELATION 21:6**

As we read we can't help but be pointed to an eternal lens. We are given a glimpse of our future destiny, and it's jaw-dropping.

**"AROUND THE THRONE WERE TWENTY-FOUR THRONES, AND ON THE THRONES SAT TWENTY-FOUR ELDERS DRESSED IN WHITE CLOTHES, WITH GOLDEN CROWNS ON THEIR HEADS."
REVELATION 4:4**



White clothes, golden crowns, and seated on thrones, this is the destiny our God has for us. Few things make me feel more confident in my identity as the Beloved than when I read Revelation. God desires our worship so much that He has us seated around Him for all of eternity, dressed as royalty. When I read this I get a glimpse at how God actually sees us. Our worship is powerful and important to the Creator of The Earth. Each of us carrying our own crowns, our own unique testimony, and laying them down at His feet in praise.

It's so easy to get caught up in the day to day problems and finding our "life calling". In Revelation, I am reminded that my life calling is to worship Jesus. The supreme and reigning King, who is so worthy, delights in my worship. How exciting! This changes everything.

As we begin our series in Revelation let's lay down our fear and approach this mysterious book with awe and wonder. This is a book of good news, we have a God who is seated on the throne, listening to our praises with joy.

ON THE JOURNEY INWARD

Reflect on what "crowns" God has given you. With thanks, remember how He has uniquely written a powerful testimony through your life and worship.

IN THE WORD

Revelation 1-22 & Psalm 103:1-4