Revelation 10-11 (April 11)
Discussion Questions

WARM UP:

When was the time in your life when it was the most difficult to wait?

OPENING PRAYER

***THINK BACK**: Referring back to this week's sermon...

What is the BIG IDEA of the Scripture AS IT WAS TAUGHT THIS WEEK?

What is one thing that left you with questions?

*Remind people to watch on-line if they were unable to attend the Sunday Worship Gathering.

READ: Revelation 10-11

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

What is one possible purpose of the vivid details we find in the visions John has in The Revelation?

What do the images of scrolls represent in The Revelation? (God's word)

Ask for a volunteer to tell about how they read and study the Bible in their personal lives...

What are some personal Bible study techniques or questions that you have found helpful? (Example - asking of the text: What does this say about God? What does this say about people? What does this say to me? OR: What is this about? What does it mean? What does it mean to me? OR: What commands, promises or important facts are in this text? OR: What words or phrases are repeated and why?

What are some ways to take in the sweetness of the Gospel message every day? (See page three of this Discussion Guide for a helpful way to do this.)

NOTE: Our personal stories of coming to faith in Jesus are part of our witness or testimony about Jesus. Most of our stories have three parts to them: Our life before Jesus; how we came to faith in Jesus; and what life is like now as a follower of Jesus.

Using the three points in the NOTE have your group members get into groups of three and try and tell their faith story in two minutes or less.

Ask a volunteer to talk about a time when their witness to Jesus was received and a time when their witness was not well received...

APPLICATION

What is one thing from this text that you could say to an unbeliever about who God is?

Think about what most caught your attention in the text or discussion. Why is God catching your attention with this at this point in your life? What does God want you to know or do?

PRAYER

Ask people for specific prayer requests. Pray for needs **and** for applications of the text. Ask for volunteers who would like to pray for those people and requests.

Prayer for the salvation of neighbors, by name. (BLESS)

WORSHIP

If you have the right leader and numbers, sing a FAMILIAR song or two of praise and worship.

SHEPHERDING

Check the roster and see who is not there. Does the group know why someone is not there? Are there needs that can be meet by the group? Specific prayer requests? **Ask for a volunteer to reach out and say, "We missed you."**

MISSION

Ask about ideas to serve in some way together. Serve 1x every six weeks or so.

- **Encourage people to invite friends or neighbors to your group!**! One way to reach 'out' together is to welcome people 'in.'

FAMILY BUSINESS

- Talk about child care, if needed. How will your group do this?
- Talk about any upcoming group meals or activities.
- **Announce any relevant FCCN items**: Questions about Pastor Josh's leave should be directed to the Elders (or their statement of April 11); Ruby's Pantry April 15!!
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CLOSING PRAYER

Followers of Jesus have long been encouraged to 'preach the gospel to themselves every day.'

Why? Because the gospel is "the power of God." (Romans 1:16) It is through the power of the gospel that God both pardons and perfects his people.

Below is a 'gospel prayer' that I have found to be very helpful to me as I try and preach the gospel to myself everyday. I recommend it to you.

Here are two suggestions for how to use it:

- **Pray it**. Allow the gospel truths to move your heart to assurance, thanksgiving, confession, and hope filled requests.

- **Meditate on it**. Find Bible verses that support each idea – there are loads of them!

Father,

In Jesus, there is nothing I can do
that would make You love me more,
and nothing I have done
that makes You love me less.

Your presence and approval
are all I need
for everlasting joy.

As You have been to me,
so I will be to others.

As I pray, I'll measure
your compassion by the cross
and your power by the resurrection.

Amen

For further gospel study **get the book** this prayer comes from: Gospel by J.D. Greear.