

DATE: Sunday, April 10, 2022 TITLE: Encouragement for the End SERIES: The Book of Revelation: Worthy is the Lamb PASSAGE: Revelation 10:1-11

THE CONTEXT:

BIG IDEA: When it seems like all hope is lost, what encouragement do we have?

3 WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT FOR THE END:

1) The		_ of God	(v1-4)
Notice	the similarities:		
b) c) d)	Revelation 1:7 Revelation 4:3 Revelation 1:16 Revelation 1:15 Revelation 5:5 Psalm 29		
2) The		_ of God	(v5-7)
3) The		of God	(v8-11)

cf., Ezekiel 2:9-3:4; Jeremiah 15:16



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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. This sermon is titled," *Encouragement for the End*." Are there any situations in your life where you need encouragement? Share with the group, pray for, and encourage one another.
- 2. Read Revelation 10:1-5. Can you imagine what this angel looks like? What feelings or emotions would you have if you saw this as John did?
- 3. Read Revelation 10:6, Psalm 46:6, Acts 4:24, Acts 14:15, Acts 17:24. What do you learn about God in these passages.
- 4. If the verses in #3 are true about God (and they are!) then that means that he created you too and has a purpose and plan for you in his creation. Do you find encouragement in knowing this? How can we remind each other when we forget that God has all authority?
- 5. Read Revelation 10:9-10, Ezekiel 2:8-3:3, Jeremiah 15:16, Psalm 19:7-11, Psalm 119:103. What do you learn about God's word?
- 6. Where would you rate your hunger for the sweetness of God's word with 1 being the lowest and 10 being the highest?
- 7. Where would you rate your obedience to God's word, even when it is difficult, with 1 being the lowest and 10 being the highest?
- 8. How can you increase your hunger for God's word and obedience to God's word?

- 9. These three encouragements were at the end of the sermon relating to its three points. Which of them do you need to hear the most today? Explain.
 - i. The authority of God affirmed He's always in control no matter what.
 - ii. The promise of God proclaimed He will always come through no matter what.
 - iii. The word of God obeyed It will never be stopped no matter what.

<u>PRAYER POINTS</u> (based on Revelation 10:1-11): THE PRAISEWORTHY QUALITIES OF GOD THE FATHER AND GOD THE SON:

- God commands even the most glorious angels (v1-3)
- God speaks to his people with clarity (v4, 7, 11)
- God lives forever and ever (v6)
- God created heaven, earth, and the sea, and all that is in them (v6)
- God's timing for all things is perfect (v6)
- God will reveal his mysteries in his time and in his way (v7)
- God gives us the fullness of his word: the "sweet" (words of life, grace, promise, etc.) and the "bitter" (hard and difficult words that require our obedience regardless of the cost) (v9-11)

REVERENCE:

- Lord, we worship you because . . .
- God, we praise you because you have authority over . . .
- Lord, I give you glory because you delivered for me on your promise to . . .

RESPONSE:

- Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner . . .
- Father, I confess my worry/anxiety/fear because I don't know the details about . . .
- God, I acknowledge to you that I have hesitated to obey you with _____ because it feels like it's too hard to do

REQUEST:

- God, because you have all authority, help me to trust you for ...
- Father, I pray that you would show mercy to _____ and deliver him/her/them from your judgement
- Lord, please help me to obey you when your word tells me to do something hard

READINESS:

- Lord, when it comes to _____, I will trust in your promises to help me
- Lord, give me a hunger for your word no matter the cost it may be to me
- Lord, help me to hide the promises of your word in my heart so I'm ready when . . .

*Small groups: Is there a verse(s) you can memorize together as a group to hide God's word in your hearts? Where will you start this week?