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SERMON STUDY GUIDE

Week of 11.15.26

Revelation 10 //Kyle Gustafson

Please take the opportunity to revisit the CVC Equip Portrait of a Healthy LifeGroup on a regular basis

CONNECT (10 MIN)

1. Can you think of a time when you felt, or felt that you found, peace in your heart because you remembered or thought about the reality of God's sovereign rule and reign? Share about this experience in your LifeGroup.

EXPLORE (30 MIN)

Create Context (5 min):

HERE is the Sermon Recap video playlist on Vimeo.

Study & Discussion (25 min)

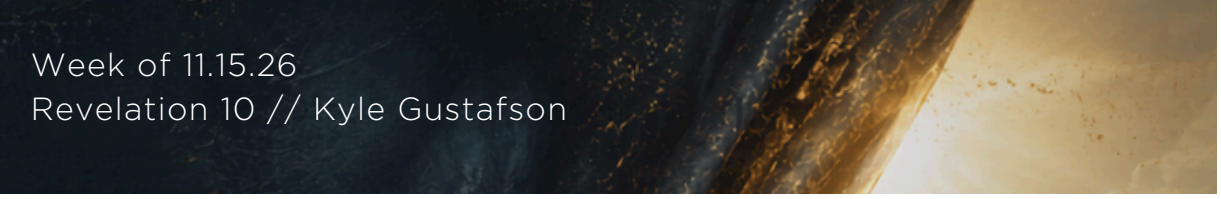
Read Revelation 10.

2. Read Psalm 95:5 and Psalm 19:1-11 and refer back to Revelation 10:1-3.

- Although these three passages say different things, they all reveal a God who is in control of all things and rules over the whole world. What other similarities do you see in these passages that speak to the character of God and the work of His Hands? What differences do you see in these passages that highlight specific realities within the context of each passage about who God is and what He is doing?

- Psalm 19:1-11 talks about the glory of God, and then about his law (His Word, given to us). Why is it important that we turn to and utilize God's Word as we seek to know and worship Him? How does God's Word bring us clarity, exhortation, and peace as we look to Him and at the world around us today?

- On Sunday, elder Kyle Gustafson said asked, "If God already stands on the sea and the land, what are you afraid of?" He shared about an upcoming surgery he has to undergo, and talked about what it looks like to trust God in the midst of the waiting and anticipation of that surgery. Think about your own life for a moment. What are you tempted to fear even though you know that God reigns over all things? What does it look like for you to trust in God in the midst of this fear with support and encouragement from His people, the Church?



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3. Read Deuteronomy 29:29 and refer back to Revelation 10:3-4. Kyle stated on Sunday that as humans, sometimes we feel a great temptation when it comes to the book of Revelation in particular - to decode, to know, and ultimately to control. Sometimes in chasing knowledge, we can miss what it is God wants us to be doing because of who He is and what He has done. We know that application without careful study of God's Word can be dangerous, but sometimes we forget that careful study without any application is dangerous too!

- Read Ephesians 2:8-10. As Kyle put it on Sunday, "Where have we allowed pursuing perfect knowledge to get in the way of going out and doing what God has already prepared for us to do?" How would you answer this question considering the church in our context today? How would you answer this question considering your own life?

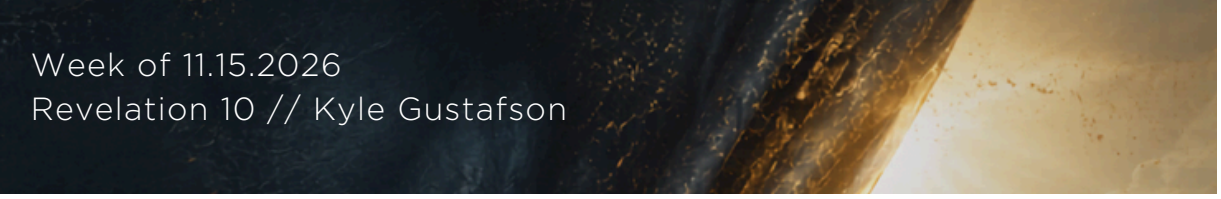
- Read Hebrews 4:12. What do you think it looks like to study God's Word carefully and also apply it honestly and boldly to our own lives today?

- What is something God is calling you to do, a next step that He is asking you to take, that you have been slow to step into or listen to Him about? What is one next step you can take in being faithful to this application step - to the call of God and of His Word on your life in the midst of the practical and the everyday?

4. Revisit Revelation 10:5-11 and read Ezekiel 2:9-3:3. In the book of Ezekiel, the prophet Ezekiel is told to take a message from God to the people of Israel. He's told they won't listen, but he is called to prophecy regardless. Kyle made the point on Sunday that in the context of the passage in Revelation, the word used for prophecy is the word we use to mean spekaing God's Word - it's the word in Greek that shares a root with the English word evangelism. Ezekiel was called to speak God's message to the Israelites. John was called to speak God's Word to those in his day. And we, as Christians today, are called to share the gospel with those who need to know who God is, what He is doing, and the invitition to repent and be saved that He is extending.

- Unlike Ezekiel, Christians today are not told by God that no one will listen - we have the joy of sharing the gospel and seeing some (though not all with whom we share) turn to Jesus and invite Him to be their forgiver and leader! What keeps you from sharing the gospel with others, and what step toward boldness and faithfulness could you take this week or this month? When is a time that you shared Jesus boldly and saw the Lord move in unexpected and exciting ways?

- We must know the Word of God well in order to share the truth about Jesus with others. Where do you have room to grow in seeking to know, love, and live out God's Word, Scripture, in the rythms of your everyday life?



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RESOURCES

- The Gospel Coalition Revelation Commentary - Brian Tabb: https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/commentary/revelation/
- CVC Blog Revelation Resources: https://cvconline.org/category/revelation/
- CVC Govember page: https://cvconline.org/events/govember/
- The Bible Project: Ezekiel, Part 1: https://bibleproject.com/videos/ezekiel-1-33/

PRAY AND APPLY

- Pray for the people you love who don't know Jesus, and ask God for a heart that grieves for them and the courage to speak.
- Pray for those who attend CVC but have never trusted Jesus, that they would not wait.
- Pray for anyone anxious about the future, that they would rest in the God who holds the sea and the land.
- Pray for the Banjar people of Indonesia, that God would send workers, open hearts, and raise up churches among them.

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WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please take a moment to share
these announcements with your group.

INVITE

Widows/Widowers Luncheon with CVC Staff - November 17

On Tuesday, November 17 at Noon, our CVC staff will be hosting a luncheon for anyone in our church family who has lost a spouse – whether recently or many years ago. This will be a time to enjoy a meal together, find encouragement, and connect with others who understand that kind of loss. If you are a widow or widower, we would love for you to join us. You can sign up HERE. And even if you're not able to attend the luncheon, we'd still love to know who you are, so that we can stay in touch, care for you, and walk with you in meaningful ways.

COMMUNITY LIFE

Pizza with the Pastor - November 22

We'd love the opportunity to get to know you and help you get to know us. Join us for Pizza with the Pastor, It's a relaxed, informal time to connect with one of our pastors, hear more about CVC, ask questions, and discover your next steps. Join us at CVC in Lower Level 114 at CVC after the 11:15 service. We look forward to meeting you! Register HERE.

Join CVC - December 6

To become a member of our church, attendance at two classes is required. The first class is called Explore CVC, and the second is Join CVC. Completion of both is necessary for membership. Explore CVC is required before you can take Join CVC. Register here!

CVC KIDS

Child Dedications - November 29

Child Dedication is a time where parents declare their commitment to raise their children in the ways of the Lord. It's a beautiful moment for families to publicly affirm their dedication, and for the church to pledge its support in this important journey of faith and upbringing. Together, let's embrace this sacred calling. Next opportunity: Sunday, November 29 at all services. Apply here!