



Dig Deeper Study Guide

Stroudsburg United Methodist Church - November 6, 2011

Sermon

All Saints Sunday
"Visions of Heaven"
Revelation 7:2-4, 9-17
by Bob Shank

Things I want to remember
about this sermon...

Monday 11/7/11
Revelation 7:2-4

This scripture passage mentions angels. In fact, the Bible has several references of angels throughout its sixty-six books. What is an angel? Do you believe in angels? According to the Bible, an angel is a messenger of God. In this passage an angel is delivering a message, too. What is this message? Does it have anything to do with you?

Tuesday 11/8/11
Revelation 7:9-10

These verses speak about a large crowd. Where is this crowd? Who are these people? Look at the inclusivity of all the different types of people that are mentioned here. Who do you think will be in heaven when you get there? Will you see familiar faces? Will any of the faces you see in heaven surprise you? How do we get to heaven? How are we saved?

Wednesday 11/9/11
Revelation 7:11-12

What are the angels doing in these verses? In what posture do we find them? What about the elders; what are they doing and in what posture do we find them? Many people wonder what we will do in heaven. It seems fairly clear in these verses that those in heaven will worship God. Worship here on earth is kind of a rehearsal for how we will worship God in heaven. What is God like? What traits does God exhibit according to these verses?



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Things to do this week in response to the sermon...

What is heaven like in my opinion?

Discover what the Bible says about heaven.

Thursday 11/10/11
Revelation 7:13-14

One of the elders speaks in this passage. What does the elder say? What is he concerned about? People apparently are dressed in white robes. Why? Where are these people from? Who are they? What is the “great suffering” referring to here in this response? What does it mean that they washed their robes in the blood of the Lamb? What color are they now? How can this be?

Friday 11/11/11
Revelation 7:15-16

These verses seem to record a dialog or conversation and these specific verses talk about people standing before the throne of God and worshipping God in the temple. What exactly does it mean that “the one who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them?” Can you imagine a time and place when no one will hunger or thirst again? What will it take for this to happen?

Saturday 11/12/11
Revelation 7:17

Who is the Lamb? How can the Lamb be their shepherd? Can this make any sense to you? What does a shepherd do? These verses speak again about leading the sheep to streams of life-giving water. What does this sound like to you? Have you ever heard these words before? These verses also reveal that God will wipe all tears from their eyes. What could this mean? Do you have any hurts, worries, or fears that cause you to cry? Who will wipe the tears from your eyes?