The Chapel Ted Voltmer

## March 20, 2022 The Revelation of Jesus Christ

# *The Seven Bowls* Revelation 15:5 – 16:21

**Track 2:** This is for those who wish to dig deeper and have more times to commit. Read the daily Scripture passages and work through the questions provided. Recording your insights in a journal will increase your retention and give you a record of what God is doing in your life.

Pastor Ted has wisely focused on the relevance of these verses and their application to other Biblical verses and our lives, rather than attempting to speculate on the symbolism of Revelation.

The message frequently reminds us of the main theme of the book: The world is getting darker. Opposition to Christ and his church is getting stronger. But God is in control, and in the end, God wins. So stand firm in your faith.

#### Monday: Read Revelation 15:5 – 16:21

One of the unique challenges of reading Revelation is that it is *more circular*, rather than linear. Pastor Ted calls this "*recapitulation*." What does this mean & how does this affect our study?
These verses describes God's wrath. Many call this unfair and inconsistent with a loving, merciful God. How does the message address these accusations?
How would you explain how and why God's wrath differs from man's wrath?

#### **Tuesday:** Read Revelation 15:5

1. Pastor Ted states that these verses are designed for us to **feel** the events as we read them. What does that mean? Why is feeling relevant to appreciating God's word?

2. The imagery and symbols in Revelation are powerful and unforgettable. Close your eyes and listen carefully for the images. What images form vivid word pictures in your mind?

3. Pastor Ted states that the **symbolism represents reality without describing reality**. What does that mean and why is that critical to interpreting Revelation? How does this contrast with frequent literal interpretations of *The Seven Seals, Trumpets, and Bowls*?

#### Wednesday: Read Revelation 16:1-21 and Isaiah 6:3

1. The seven seals, trumpets, and bowls are all related. They describe the end time events from three different perspectives. What are the perspectives? Why is it important to understand them? 2. Why is our response to God's wrath so important to us as believers?

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## Thursday: Read Isaiah 6:5 and Romans 18-20

1. How is **Holiness** the essence of God's character? How does **Isaiah 6:5** provide a clear explanation?

2. Why should God's ultimate Holiness give us confidence in all He says and does?

3. How does **Romans 18-20** explain how sin is the basis for God's wrath? Why are we without excuse?

### **Friday**: Review Revelations 15:5-16:21

1. How have Pastor Ted's three key points: *God is Holy, Sin is Real, and Judgement is Coming* enhanced your understanding of **End Times Prophecy** and your confidence in sharing it with others?

2. How can you now better explain the Holiness of God and the sinfulness of man to others?

3. How does an understanding of God's wrath give you a greater appreciation of the Gospel?