

## Small Group Questions

### Introduction:

What is your favorite end times or apocalyptic movie and why? “The Road”, “Mad Max”, “Reign of Fire”, “I am Legend”, “Night of the Living Dead”, “Seventh Sign”, etc.

### Discussion:

Why do you think people are so intrigued with the end times?

Before this message series, on a scale of 1-10 how interested were you in the end times? (1 being not interested at all to 10 being “it’s my hobby”). Has your interest changed after this message series? Less or more?

Norton mentioned that the bible states that Jesus will come back like a thief in the night. Does this statement make you nervous or concerned? How does it strike you?

Norton challenges us to be ready for Jesus’ return by being faithful in the present by using our time, gifts and talents, and our money for God’s kingdom. Which of these three come easiest to you, and which are the most difficult?

Read Rev 7:15-17 or Revelation 21:1-4

<sup>15</sup> Therefore,  
“they are before the throne of God  
and serve him day and night in his temple;  
and he who sits on the throne  
will shelter them with his presence.  
<sup>16</sup> ‘Never again will they hunger;  
never again will they thirst.  
The sun will not beat down on them,<sup>’[a]</sup>  
nor any scorching heat.  
<sup>17</sup> For the Lamb at the center of the throne  
will be their shepherd;  
‘he will lead them to springs of living  
water.’<sup>[b]</sup>  
‘And God will wipe away every tear from  
their eyes.’<sup>[c]</sup>”

<sup>1</sup> Then I saw “a new heaven and a new  
earth,”<sup>[a]</sup> for the first heaven and the first  
earth had passed away, and there was no  
longer any sea.<sup>2</sup> I saw the Holy City, the new  
Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from  
God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed  
for her husband. <sup>3</sup>And I heard a loud voice  
from the throne saying, “Look! God’s  
dwelling place is now among the people,  
and he will dwell with them. They will be  
his people, and God himself will be with  
them and be their God. <sup>4</sup> ‘He will wipe every  
tear from their eyes. There will be no more  
death’<sup>[b]</sup> or mourning or crying or pain, for  
the old order of things has passed away.”

In this past week’s message, we learned that the book of Revelation was written to a specific group of people that were facing a tremendous amount of persecution. What specific ways would they have been encouraged by this section of scripture? Does this offer any encouragement to you in your current situation?

Norton mentioned that often these end times readings create more questions than answers. Which questions if any, are you processing or dealing with?

### Pray