



Title | Mismatch Made in Heaven
Series | Good to Go
Text | Revelation 1:9-20
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Sermon Notes

Revelation 1:9 I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. 10 I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet 11 saying, "Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea." 12 Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, 13 and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. 14 The hairs of his head were white, like white wool, like snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, 15 his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters. 16 In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength. 17 When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, "Fear not, I am the first and the last, 18 and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades. 19 Write therefore the things that you have seen, those that are and those that are to take place after this. 20 As for the mystery of the seven stars that you saw in my right hand, and the seven golden lampstands, the seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches. ESV

Big Idea:

Revelation 1:17 When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, "Fear not, I am the first and the last, 18 and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades." ESV

For Reflection and Application:

Monday:

Read Revelation 1:9. From John's description of himself, what can be said about the identity and experience of all Christians? How can you apply this to your life?

Tuesday:

Read Revelation 1:10-17. How would you summarize the attributes of Jesus as revealed to John? How did John respond? Why did he respond this way? How might the following scriptures relate? Isaiah 6:1-5; John 5:22-27; 2 Corinthians 5:10; Philippians 2:12; 1 John 2:28; Revelation 22:12-13. How should you respond to God?

Wednesday

Read Revelation 1:17-18. What specific points did the Lord make to comfort John? How might the following scriptures relate? Isaiah 66:13; 2 Corinthians 1:3-4; 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17; Hebrews 13:5-6. To what extent do you experience the comfort of the Lord?

Thursday:

Revelation 1:19-20. How could the explanation of the mystery in verse 20 be both a source of fear and comfort? How might 1 John 3:2 relate?

Friday:

How might you experience a healthy fear and comfort in the Lord's presence today?

Daily Prayer:

Lord, teach me how to experience a healthy balance of fear and comfort in your presence. Amen.

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