

THE THREAD | The Gospel At Work

Lesson 12: A Revelation, Part 1

Dear Parents,

Hello! I can hardly believe it, but we are on our next to last of the 13 lessons studying the big-picture story of the Bible and the story of the spread of the Gospel and Christianity in a post-crucifixion/resurrection world through *The Thread: The Gospel At Work*. This week, the lesson was entitled “A Revelation, Part 1.” John is writing in symbolism throughout the book of Revelation. This is similar to your texting shorthand. The majority of Revelation is peculiar and majestic to our modern ears. Because John, a human, was trying to describe the things of heaven. It’s impossible for us to fully grasp the wonder of heaven, but there is plenty of truth to be gleaned from Revelation, but we can clearly see that all of Scripture points to Jesus as God—the rescuer of His children. Through our study of Revelation this week, your teenager was challenged to think about how they view Jesus and whether or not their view of Him is “big” enough.

Lesson Overview: We’re almost to the end of our look at the big-picture story of the Bible! Hopefully, students have learned to see the Gospel as the thread that connects the entire Bible. As we spend the next two lessons in Revelation, we’ll be learning how this whole story wraps up and how the Gospel triumphs in the end. It’s a fitting resolution to such a grand narrative. In this lesson, we’re going to look and see how Jesus is depicted as the Victor and that, especially in His victory, the Gospel is evident.

What We Want Your Teenager To Learn: Understand that even in the description of Jesus in Revelation, we see evidence of the Gospel message and see that all of Scripture points to Jesus as God, the Rescuer of His children.

What We Want Your Teenager To Do With What They’ve Learned: Consider how they view Jesus personally and whether or not their view of Him is “big enough.”

Scripture Passages We Studied: Revelation 1:9-20; Isaiah 44:6

Please Take A Few Minutes This Week To Read These Passages.

Next Steps. . .

During the next week, as you engage in conversations with your teenager, remember that one way that will help them to understand and apply what they have learned is to explain it to someone else. Use the following questions to guide your conversation:

- In this week’s lesson, we looked at how the church maintained its hope in Jesus in the middle of persecution. Explain to your teenager a time when you were challenged for your faith in Jesus and how you responded.
- We discussed that throughout the Bible, we see that Jesus is both Savior and Lord and that this truth must change our lives. Share with your teenager how you seek to personally remind yourself that Jesus is your Savior and Lord.

Thank you for all you do. As a parent, you are the primary spiritual influence in the life of your teenager, and they desperately need you. I’m praying for you! If you have any questions or if I can help with anything, please don't hesitate to let me know.