

Dig Deeper @Home – “Ears that Hear”

Complement to sermon on August 13, 2017 – “Walk in White”

MEMORIZE – Revelation 22:7

And behold, I am coming soon. Blessed is the one who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book

READ Revelation 3: 1-6

Questions to ponder/discuss:

1. What is this passage revealing about God and what is it revealing about us as humans?

2. If the above is true, what needs to change in your life? What will that look like?

3. Jesus says he will come like a thief. Look at the other areas of scripture where this simile is used.
 - a. Revelation 16:15
 - b. Matthew 24:43
 - c. 1 Thessalonians 5:2
 - d. 2 Peter 3:10
 - e. How does reading these other scriptures help you better understand these words to the Christians in Sardis?

4. Jesus references a “book of life” in verse 5. Look up these other references to find out more about this book.
 - a. Revelation 13:8, 17:8, 20:12 & 15, 21:27
 - b. Philippians 4:3
 - c. Exodus 32:32
 - d. Psalm 69:28
 - e. Isaiah 4:3
 - f. Daniel 12: 1-2

5. Read Revelation 7: 9-17. What insight does this give you about those who “will be clothed thus in white garments” (v5).

Bottom Line – Summarize Revelation 3: 1-6 in your own words



Experiential

Sometimes activities help us to understand and process biblical truths. The one below is a suggestion for how to experience the truths of Revelation 3: 1-6

Stay Alert!

Watch this video. <http://www.finlandmc.org/media/19490/attention-test.mp4>

How did you do? What are you doing to stay alert in your Christian faith?

SING (suggested songs to sing. Use these or any song you might want to sing)

Even So, Come - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XKHsSbgbQZg>

This song of worship speaks to the power of Christ who has overcome the power of the grave and he invites us to be steadfast and to overcome also by the "blood of the lamb and the word of our testimony" (Rev. 12:11).

Onward, Christian Soldiers – Mennonite Hymnal #591

A proclamation to stay alert at soldiers of Christ

PRAY

This is a time to gather around for prayer requests and to share how you have seen God at work. It is a time to hear where God is showing up in our lives and where we need Him to help us in our lives.

Sending prayer based on the lesson:

Heavenly Father, as we go this week let us be alert, making the most of every opportunity to proclaim the gospel and lead others to Jesus. Amen.