

HOPE FOR THEAFUTURE

THE UNVEILING OF JESUS CHRIST

STUDY AND DISCUSSION GUIDE

This guide is designed to help you reflect on Sunday's sermon, study God's Word during the week, and discuss it in your small group on Wednesday night.

Connect with God

Pray: Start by asking God to open your heart and mind to understand His Word.

Read Revelation 1:1-8:
What does this passage reveal about Jesus' authority and character?
How does knowing Jesus as the Alpha and Omega impact the way you see your future?
Reflect:
In the sermon, Pastor Grant shared that what seems like chaos is often God's way of preparing something better. Think about a time in your life that felt chaotic but ultimately worked out for good. How can you trust God during uncertain times?
Journaling Prompt:
Write about one area of your life where you need to trust that Jesus holds your future. What step can you take to give that area over to Him this week?

Memory Verse Challenge:"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty." - Revelation 1:8

Apply the Scripture

Key Question:
What does it look like to live like Jesus is in control of your future?
Personal Application:
Identify Your Trust: Where do you look for assurance about your future—friends, grades, social media, or something else? Take a moment to reflect on how these compare to Jesus' eternal authority.
Redirect Your Hope: If you've been putting your hope in things that can't sustain you, what's one practical step you can take to put your hope in Jesus?

Action Step:
Share what you're learning about trusting Jesus with a friend or family member this week.

Small Group Discussion

Discussion Questions:

- 1. What stood out to you most from Pastor Grant's sermon?
- 2. How did the story of Joseph Lister help you think differently about chaos in life?
- 3. Revelation 1:3 promises a blessing for those who read and listen to this book. What does this promise mean for you?
- 4. Pastor Grant shared three truths about our future: it's in Jesus' hands, it has hope, and it has a hero. Which of these truths encourages you most right now?
- 5. Why is it significant that Jesus calls Himself the Alpha and Omega?
- 6. How does the idea of Jesus being the "Firstborn" (Revelation 1:5-6) invite us into God's family?

Group Challenge:

Share one specific area where you need to trust Jesus more this week. How can your small group encourage and pray for you in that area?

Prayer Time:

- Prayer requests?
- Thank God for His sovereignty over the future.
- Pray for the courage to trust Jesus in every area of life.
- Ask God to help you keep Him first this week.

Stay Connected:

- Watch the sermon on YouTube if you missed it or want to hear it again.
- Post your creative response from Part 2 on Shadow YTH's Instagram to encourage others.

Next Week:

We'll continue in Revelation 2. I hope you can join us on Sunday or watch online. Feel free to get started reading ahead.

Pastor Grant