REVELATION 4:4-8

DISCUSSION GUIDE

STEP 1 - PRAY FOR GOD TO GIVE UNDERSTANDING

STEP 2 - READ TEXT

Read the text: Revelation 4:4-8

STEP 3 - DISCUSSION

Why is a vision of Heaven important for us today?

ANSWER: There isn't necessarily a wrong answer here. The hope is that the question sparks answers along the lines of the visions John describes bring us hope in these dark times and help us focus when we struggle with sin and temptation. Remind the group:

THINK ON THIS VISION!! TELL THAT TEMPTATION:

- YOU ARE NOT BETTER THAN THE CROWN OF LIFE!
- YOU ARE NOT BETTER THAN THE WHITE GARMENTS
- YOU ARE NOT BETTER THAN BEING ABLE TO SIT ON A THRONE RIGHT BEFORE THE LIVING GOD.

What might be holding you back from believing in all GOD promises to us?

ANSWER: Encourage honest discussion. This vision John describes is exciting! We have the privilege through John's vision of getting a preview. He is describing where believers in Christ will live forever!

STEP 4 - QUESTION AND ANSWER

DISCUSS: What is more real to you today? This vision John describes or the world you see before you?

✓ ANSWER: Allow this question to simmer a little and stir the conversation.

DISCUSS: What entices you about this world?

ANSWER: Encourage the group to be bold and name the hard things. We all have them. This provides an opportunity for prayer for strength and courage to stand strong.

STEP 5 - FINAL ACTIVITY

After your discussion, encourage the group:

- Pray continually, asking the Lord to seal these images to your heart!
- Live confidently, knowing God is on the throne and is worthy of being worshiped and praised as He deserves!
- In Christ Jesus, we have the privilege of being able to connect with our Creator...Father, Abba Pater!
- Pray continually for God to grip your desires and make Him the top desire in your life!
- Pray that the next time you are confronted with that same temptation, you call on the Holy Spirit, in all His fullness (wisdom, understanding, counsel, strength, knowledge, reverence, and deity) to overcome and conquer by the Grace of God so you may gain your reward!
- Pray that God would bring you the realization that only a fool would choose a worthless and cheap imitation of the desires of this life over the reality and reward that God offers for eternity!

Resist! Flee! Conquer! Honor Christ!