# **Strong Tower Bible Study**

### Agenda

#### Lesson 156

Time 6:00pm -7:30pm

**Topic: Who is Christ?** 

Welcome

**Opening Prayer** 

**Scripture text**: Revelation 1:1-20

1 The revelation from Jesus Christ, which God gave him to show his servants what must soon take place. He made it known by sending his angel to his servant John, <sup>2</sup> who testifies to everything he saw—that is, the word of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ. <sup>3</sup> Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear it and take to heart what is written in it, because the time is near.

# **Greetings and Doxology**

<sup>4</sup> John,

To the seven churches in the province of Asia:

Grace and peace to you from him who is, and who was, and who is to come, and from the seven spirits before his throne, <sup>5</sup> and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, <sup>6</sup> and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father—to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen.

7"Look, he is coming with the clouds,"
and "every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him";
and all peoples on earth "will mourn because of him."
So shall it be! Amen.

<sup>8</sup> "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty."

#### John's Vision of Christ

<sup>9</sup> I, John, your brother and companion in the suffering and kingdom and patient endurance that are ours in Jesus, was on the island of Patmos because of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. <sup>10</sup> On the Lord's Day I was in the Spirit, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet, <sup>11</sup> which said: "Write on a scroll what you see and send it to the seven churches: to

Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia and Laodicea."

<sup>12</sup> I turned around to see the voice that was speaking to me. And when I turned I saw seven golden lampstands, <sup>13</sup> and among the lampstands was someone like a son of man, dressed in a robe reaching down to his feet and with a golden sash around his chest. <sup>14</sup> The hair on his head was white like wool, as white as snow, and his eyes were like blazing fire. <sup>15</sup> His feet were like bronze glowing in a furnace, and his voice was like the sound of rushing waters. <sup>16</sup> In his right hand he held seven stars, and coming out of his mouth was a sharp, double-edged sword. His face was like the sun shining in all its brilliance.

<sup>17</sup> When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. Then he placed his right hand on me and said: "Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last. <sup>18</sup> I am the Living One; I was dead, and now look, I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades.

<sup>19</sup> "Write, therefore, what you have seen, what is now and what will take place later. <sup>20</sup> The mystery of the seven stars that you saw in my right hand and of the seven golden lampstands is this: The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.

# **New Vocabulary:**

**Doxology**: Comes from two Greek words "doxa" meaning GLORY and "Logia" meaning "Saying" or "Expressions. A doxology is a short statement or hymn of Praise to God.

**Prologue**: An introduction or opening statement to a story.

### Things to know:

- Jesus is the faithful witness
- Jesus also came to earth to reveal more of The Fathers character-John 14:9
- Jesus is our only Savior
- Jesus is the first born from the dead: The Savior bore our sins, died on the cross, was buried, and rose again on the third day. His resurrection proves that eternal life is possible for those who believe. -Rev 11:25
- Jesus is the ruler of the kings on earth-Dan 2:21
- Jesus loves us and by His blood all who believe are freed from their sins.

### **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. What have you learned about the Love of God?
- 2. What can you do to spread the gospel each day of your life?
- 3. What are the readers called? Vs 3 Why are followers of Christ to take this prophecy seriously? Vs 3
- 4. How is Jesus described? Vs 4-6 (write it down)
- 5. Will anyone miss the coming of Jesus? Vs7
- 6. How is Jesus described? Vs 8 (write it down)
- 7. Would you follow the instructions given? Vs 10-11
- 8. How magnificent. Vs 12-16 your thoughts?
- 9. What was Johns' response? Vs 17 How was John comforted? Vs 17
- 10. How does Jesus describe Himself? Vs 18 (write it down)

Challenge of the Week: When the Holy Spirit gives you instructions this week Follow them.

Example: (Keep silent, Repent, Go Pray, Witness to a person, MYOB, Sit in silence, Let go Apologize).

#### **Faith in Action:**

- -Share your Bible Study lesson with a loved one.
- -Tell someone Who Jesus Is. (Refer to your list)
- -Reach out to a young person, share a scripture with them.
- -Send 3 people a Christmas card in the mail.
- -Call someone for prayer this week.

# **Scripture Application:**

1 John 4:15 - Who has access to eternal life?

**John 10:28-30**- How can you share this scripture with someone who is unsure of their Salvation?

1 John 4:9-How can you share this scripture with a doubter.

**Bonus Question:** How has Jesus made a change in your worldview?

# **Closing Prayer:**

