

**New Power for Personal Change (Rev. 1:9-20)**

Time		Questions	Answers
10	<b>Hook</b>	<i>Use this question to engage group members in conversation with an introduction question that helps them get to know each other better.</i>	
	1	What's new with you? How are you doing? How are you feeling? What about this new year gas you excited?	<b>Open.</b>
10	<b>Book</b>	<i>Use these questions to set the tone for the study and give group members a background in the text you will be studying.</i>	
	2	What is a revelation?	<b>Revelation:</b> something that could never be known merely through observation or intuition. Some information that we can't take in without someone or something's help from the outside.
	3	What is the importance of the number 7 in this passage (specifically) and in the Bible (generally)?	<b>Seven Churches, 7 is completion, 7 days=1 Creation account. 7x7 jubilee, freedom of debt, 7 angels, 7 plagues, THE CHURCH, representative, complete, perfect. See verse 20.</b>
	4	John was Jesus' best friend. When he received this revelation and he sees the glorified Jesus what did he do?	<b>In verse 17 of chapter 1 John fell at Jesus' feet as if he was dead and was terrified.</b>

25	<b>Look</b>	<i>Use these questions as entry points into the passage of scripture.</i>	
	5	What do John and Isaiah's encounters with the glorified Lord have in common?	<b>Read Is. 6:1-5. Both are humbled by the experience. Both are moved to write the prophecy/revelation down. Both are moved to be witnesses.</b>
	6	What Jesus do you believe in? What does Jesus believe about you?	<b>Open. Baby Jesus? Nice Jesus? Peaceful Jesus? Or the Jesus described in verses 12-18?</b>
7	What does the power for personal change require?	<b>Solitude. A change from the normal. An understanding that the Jesus we know may not be all He is and a willingness/openness to witness His revelation to us.</b>	

15	<b>Took</b>	Use these questions to help the group take the meaning and apply it to their lives in tangible ways. Applications can be cognitive (change my thinking), behavioral (change my actions), or emotional (change my feelings). Be sure to turn these applications into prayer requests for the upcoming week as you close the study.	
	8	The power of personal change comes when we have a new revelation of who Jesus really is. To get that new revelation we might need to do something new. What might that be for you? What new resolution/revelation might you need for this year?	<b>Open. Join a small group. Read through the Bible. Get in a one on one discipling relationship. Serve in a ministry. Ask someone for forgiveness. Give someone forgiveness.</b>

<p><b><u>Pray</u></b></p>	<p>Our Father thank you for John's Revelation. Help us to know the Jesus described in it. Help us to have the courage and the perseverance to try something new that you call us to and stick with it for change and power in our lives.</p>	
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