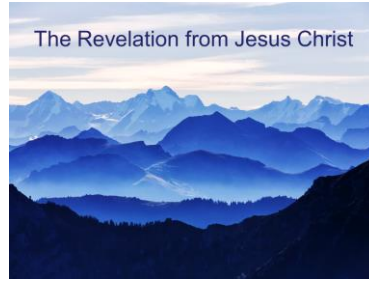




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Series – Revelation

Study Guide 2: 7 Churches (Part 1)

Week Commencing 12th May 2019

Please read **Revelation 1.10-18; Ezekiel 1.26-28**

The vision of the 'son of man' that John saw, whilst strange, would be recognisable to him as a Jew who knew the Old Testament. The features of the man in this vision were very similar to those seen in visions given to Daniel and Ezekiel. These Old Testament visions were understood by the Jews as revealing the glory of the Lord Almighty Himself.

Please read **Revelation 1.19-20**

1. Something 'unveiled' in this section is that the churches have angels. Ever thought that Hill Cliffe has an angel with some responsibility for observing and protecting and caring for us in the heavenly realms? (Please don't take too long on this question, there's other really important stuff below)

Please read **Revelation 2.1-3**

2. Jesus repeats the words, 'I know..' - nothing escapes His knowing. What kinds of things does he highlight here? Would you consider these things to be important for the survival of the church? (See **Acts 20.27-31** where Paul shares with the Ephesian elders)

Please read **Revelation 2.4-5; 2.1**

3. How is it possible to persevere in doing significant and important things in the church but to have forsaken the love you had at first?
4. Please read **Ephesians 3.14-21; 4.1-5; 1 Corinthians 13.1-8**
Where will it be noticeable when we have forsaken our first love?
5. When we see signs of love-forsakenness in our lives it is vital that we act immediately and decisively – because everything is at stake. We are given a path to recovery: v5 *Consider how far you have fallen! Repent and do the things you did at first.*
Take time to do this personally/ as a group now.
6. How can we maintain and grow our love for God, His family, the least and the lost?