

**Group Leaders:** These next two weeks we will split out the message from Revelation 22:1-6 into two parts which means we are going to extend our Heaven series by one week. Next weeks lesson will cover one part of the study that would have been this week. Specifically question #5 from your workbook will be covered next week. The lesson in the book for 10/28 will actually be on 11/4.

This lesson is focused entirely on worship and being in the presence of God. May God bless your group richly as you worship Him together.

**Memory Verse: Revelation 22:4**

*"They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads."*

**Weekly Reading:**

Day 1            Colossians 3:1-4  
Day 2            Psalm 84  
Day 3            Revelation 3:20-22  
Day 4            Revelation 5  
Day 5            Revelation 7:9-12

**Study Questions:** Begin your study by reading out loud our memory verse for this week Revelation 22:4. Then read out loud Hebrews 1:3

1. Imagine how it will feel to see God face to face; what words describe your expectations? The paintings of Jesus give us visual expectations of God and of our Lord Jesus Christ yet His glory, I imagine, will be so much more gripping than we can perceive. In 2 Corinthians 3:7-Paul talks about being in the presence of God with an unveiled face. When Moses went up upon the mountain to be in the presence of God his face would glow so that they had to place a veil over his face when he came down the mountain. Read Exodus 33:18-23 and 34:29-35

2. Describe the sweetest worship experience you remember. How did it give you a taste of being face to face with God?

**Group Leaders:** Allow people to share their experience of being in the presence of God. A great testimony to God's glory is when his people share their experiences from being in His presence.

I personally have experienced some tremendous times of God's presence. One very memorable moment early in my walk with the Lord was at a worship event led by the group "Passion" in which the Holy Spirit was so powerful and moving in people and as the word was shared, prayers were offered out loud, and voices lifted songs of praise to God it was so very clear to me that God is not only real but He is present with me. It is always moving to worship in large crowds of Spirit led people of God. At the same time, I have had countless moments when God touches me with His divine presence in a moving and powerful way while I am alone with Him. Breaking me and humbling me before His Throne and making His presence known. God is good all the time.

3. How is worship revealed in Revelation 5:11-14?

In these verses I see masses of people and all creation worshipping God for the sacrifice of the Lamb who was slain. Worship is ultimately about Christ's sacrifice. It is a continual expression of gratitude for what He did for us that we could not do on our own. I believe we will eternally rejoice in His merciful sacrifice.

4. What is the main reason for celebrating in Heaven?

The Lamb of God, Jesus Christ is the reason for celebration! In heaven that does not change. Being in His presence is reason to celebrate. Acknowledging His sacrifice is reason to celebrate. Knowing the depth of His love is reason to celebrate.

Close your time together in worship, either in singing or by reading the word in praise to God. Consider Psalm 84 or Revelation 5:9-14 or Revelation 7:9-12.