

Church In The Wild Wk 4

Discussion Guide

1- What's the first thing that pops in your mind when you hear the word 'witness'?

2- Read Luke 9:28-36. What details jump out at you the most? What significance did the presence of Elijah & Moses bring to this story?

3- On Sunday, we walked through the story of the Two Witnesses. Read Revelation 11:1-14. What details do you notice in this story? What details do you remember from Sunday's message?

4- Read Revelation 11:1-2, 1 Corinthians 3:16-17 & 2 Corinthians 6:16-17. How do these passages relate with one another? What truths are these passages speaking about our identity as the Church? How do these passages encourage or strengthen you?

5- In Revelation 11:3-12, we see the characters of the Two Witnesses enter the scene. There are 2 main ways to view these characters: literal or symbolic. Seth shared that he views these characters symbolically, while understanding that both perspectives (literal & symbolic) should still contain the same message from the text. Are you more familiar with the symbolic or literal interpretation of the Two Witnesses?

6- Read Revelation 11:3-4 & Acts 1:8. How do these passages relate with one another? (For additional study, read chapters 3 & 4:1-14 in Zechariah)

7- Read Revelation 11:5-6. What Old Testament Bible characters & events pop into your mind while reading these verses?

8- Read Revelation 11:7-10. What do you think these verses are talking about?

9- Read Revelation 11:11-12. What event does this sound like in Christ's life? What event does this sound like for the Church? How might these verses bring encouragement to the Apostle John & the 1st century Christians?

10- Read Revelation 11:13-14. These verses contain a rare detail in the story of Revelation. Some of the earth dwellers (people who are enemies of Christ) actually repent! How can this bring hope into our lives today?

11- Although the Two Witnesses can represent (literally and symbolically) a variety of Bible characters and people throughout history, one of the representations is Christ's Body (His actual Body & the Church...which is Christ's symbolic Body.) Together, we bring witness to Who Jesus is, what Christ has done for us & the salvation that others can experience. Both Jesus and His people will experience victory & suffering as we bear witness to our world. What people in your life do you need to be a stronger witness to? What are some obstacles that make witnessing to them difficult?

12- Close out your time praying for one another and those you will witness to this week.