

**Study Questions for the July 17, 2022 Sermon:
“As The Kingdom Comes”
Revelation 6:1-11**

Call to Worship: Psalm 79:9-13

1. According to verse 9, for whose sake does God deliver us?
2. If you believe the Psalmist's plea in verse 9 has been answered, explain how?
3. Scholars believe that the context for this poem was probably the destruction of the temple by Nebuchadnezzar. His troops would have taken their success as proof that Jehovah did not exist, or was weaker than their god. What can we learn about inferring knowledge of God's nature from the success or failure of our endeavors?

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4. Pastor said he welcomes interpretations of Revelation that differ from his, as long as the interpretations are “in context”. Context is extremely important; out-of-context verses have been used to defend slavery and child abuse. What rules of interpretation ensure we remain in context?
5. Pastor Paul said that 1st-century readers would have been encouraged by this passage. Why would people under persecution be encouraged by these references to conquest, war, and famine?
6. These verses are leading-up to the 2nd coming of Christ. What are the major differences between Christ's first and second coming?

7. Jesus is portrayed as coming on a white horse in Revelation 19:11.
 - a. What reasons did Pastor Paul give for saying that the rider in verse 2 is not Jesus?
 - b. Who is the rider on verse 2?
8. In Matthew 6, Jesus tells us not to be anxious in times of suffering and tribulation. If you remained at peace in a time of tribulation, share your story.
9. If you have any godly strategies for dealing with anxiety, share them.
10. In verse 9 & 10, the souls of the martyrs are crying out for vengeance. Is it right to ask God to exact vengeance on your enemies?
11. What is the significance of the white robe of verse 11?
12. Three main points of the sermon:
 - a. God is in all _____, even when circumstances are ugly.
 - b. God is all _____.
 - c. All those in Christ will ultimately come to a _____
_____.
13. For what two groups did Pastor Paul ask us to pray?