

April 14, 2024 Worship Service Pastor Bruce Adrian WeAreLifeBridge.com

Dear Church: 7 Letters to 7 Churches

Lesson Two • Revelation 1:4-8

Greeting to the Seven Churches

"From God with Love"

John's greeting to the seven churches is a <u>REASSURING</u> announcement from God that He still loves us and that He has secured for us a sure hope for the future.

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Revelation 1:4

"Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea."

Revelation 1:11

John's Greeting to the Seven Churches

1. The Triune God Still Offers GRACE and PEACE!

Grace & Peace from the Trinity

- Grace and peace come from God the <u>FATHER</u>: "who is and who was and who is to come" (v. 4).
- Grace and peace come from God the <u>SPIRIT</u>: "the seven Spirits who are before His throne" (v. 4).
- For Grace and peace come from God the <u>SON</u>: "the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth" (v. 5).

2. Jesus Christ Is Still Worthy of Our PRAISE!

Why Jesus Is Worthy of Praise

> Jesus LOVES us continually and eternally (v. 5).

- Jesus FREED us from our sins by His blood (v. 5).
- Jesus MADE us a kingdom of priests (v. 6).

3. Jesus Christ Is Still COMING to Judge the World!

Three Facts of Jesus' Coming

- > Jesus' coming will be SEEN by everyone(v. 7).
- Jesus' coming will be <u>SORROWFUL</u> among those who reject Him (v. 7).
- Jesus' coming is SURE because God is the Almighty (v. 8).

Three Takeaways

- Depend on the <u>TRINITY</u>, knowing that our Triune God still offers grace and peace for staying faithful to the end.
- ❖ Give Jesus your exclusive WORSHIP every day, not just Sunday.
- Live with hope-filled <u>ASSURANCE</u> that Jesus is coming as the Risen Lamb and Triumphant King.