



The REVELATION of JESUS CHRIST
ALPHA / OMEGA

Session 3 — Letters to the 7 Churches — January 24, 2021

- I. The **church** exists to be **light** in a **dark world**. [Matthew 5:14-16]
- II. The **church** consists of all people who have been **redeemed** by God and **adopted** into His eternal family by **faith** in **Messiah**.
- III. The church is expressed both **locally** and **universally** – with Jesus being the **Head** of the body and the **Chief Shepard**.
- IV. Jesus has **total authority** and is holding everything in His **mighty hand**.
- V. The letters Jesus wrote to the seven churches have never been **more relevant** than they are today.
- VI. God's **promises** are only for the **overcomer** in Christ. [1 John 5:4-5]
- VII. Each of us must ask God to give us **ears** to **hear**, but then we must **do** what He says. [James 1:22-25]

Personal Application

- ➔ Pray for ears to hear and understand what the Spirit is saying
- ➔ Obey God's commandments and do what He says!
- ➔ Read the letter to the church at Ephesus [2:1-7] out loud and make personal notes.



Small Group Listening Guide — January 31, 2021

Read Revelation 1 Out Loud

1. How is Christ Church shining light in our community and what are some ways we can make our light shine even brighter?
2. What is the church according to God's word?
3. What are some other names for God's church, and which one stands out the most? Why?
4. What is the significance of the "right hand of God," especially when it comes to our eternal security and spiritual authority in Christ?
5. What are the various ways we can interpret and apply the 7 letters to the 7 churches?
6. Who is an overcomer, according to Scripture, and how can we be absolutely certain we will be victorious in the end? [1 John 5:4-5]
7. What are the obstacles that prevent us from hearing God's word, and how can these obstacles be removed?
8. Why is it not enough just to hear God's word, and what is the danger in being a hearer only?