

LIFEGROUP RESOURCES: 04.06.25 Pulpit Curriculum

Look to Christ

Main passage: Revelation 1:12-20

1) Preeminent (v. 13)

 Jesus is among the churches, expressing and exercising His control, His power, and His sovereignty. The Grove makes it our aim to acknowledge and proclaim Christ's preeminence by putting Him and His glorious gospel on display, shining brightly in the dark world.

Son of Man-title given to the Sovereign Messiah [Daniel 7:13]

Seven Golden Lampstands [Exod. 25:31-40; Zech. 4:2]

A.	What are some ways that you shine brightly for Christ in your sphere of
	influence: home, work, school, neighborhood, etc.?

2) **Priestly** (v. 13)

- King Jesus, is not only the Ruler of the church, but also the High Priest and caregiver of the church.
- **B.** What area of your life do you need Christ's care and comfort the most? How can someone in your Lifegroup pray for you regarding this?

3) **Purifying** (v. 14)

[1 Pet. 4:17; Rev. 2; 3; 19; Is. 63:5]

- Christ died to purchase and establish the church; He is seriously committed to the care of it and the purification of it. He is making His Bride spotless and holy.
- C. Judgement begins in the house of God. How can we be prayerful regarding the dire state of the American church? About the purification of our own local church? About the sanctification in our own life?

4) Piercing (v. 14)

[1 Chron. 28:9; Heb. 4:13]

• The Lord is omniscient (all-knowing); He is piercing in knowledge, and nothing is hidden from His holy sight.



D.	In light of the reality of Christ's all-piercing knowledge, what areas of your life
	are you attempting to keep hidden? Find grace and forgiveness in confession
	and repentance today.

5) **Powerful** (v. 15)

[Job 37:2-5; Ps. 29:3,4; Is. 55:3]

- Christ's voice is like the roar of many waters. May we be gracious and thoughtful in how we proclaim truth, but may we never shy away from the thunder of God's word.
- E. We need to spend more time listening to God's word instead of our own thoughts. List some scriptures that describe the power and importance of God's word.

6) Preserving (v. 16)

Angelos- messenger or envoy [John 20:21]

• Jesus holds the pastors and leaders of the church in His right hand of accountability and preserving grace as they serve and equip the church, while He continues to build His church.

7) Protecting (v. 16)

[Rev. 19:15, 16]

- Christ's word protects believers against the enemies from inside the church who long to cause strife, division, and harm to His people.
- F. One way believers are protected by God's word is through its encouragement that strengthens our faith and obedience to Christ. Describe a time where the double edge sword of the truth of God emboldened you to cut down a lie you may have been tempted to embrace.

8) **Praised** (v. 17)

[ls. 6:5; Ezek. 1,3; Dan. 10]

 When we understand the Lord's attributes, it invokes a strong desire to praise, honor, adore, fear, magnify and worship Him with our whole hearts. Ultimately, every knee will bow and every tongue will confess that He is Lord.



G. Which two aspects of Christ's character do you want to understand better? Talk to a leader if you need help in this study or resources.

9) **Pitying** (v. 17)

- Christ graciously draws us into fellowship and shares His kindness and compassion with us.
- H. What burden do you need to carry to Christ?

10) Pantokrator (v. 18)

[Ps. 110:3]

Pantokrator- Almighty [Rev. 1:8]

- Jesus is the first and the last, the conqueror of the grave, sin, death, and hell-know Him, love Him, seek Him.
- I. Christ's almighty power calls us into obedience. What specific assignment has God placed before you- using the gifts He has given you- to accomplish for His glory?