

# Welcome to Bible Study 29 May 2022 – Coming soon

Welcome everyone!

**Opening Prayer** Please pray together

Loving, powerful God, joy pours over our souls on this day, this week! Christ is risen! Fear is vanquished! Open our hearts and our spirits to receive fully the joy which has been given for us! Let us celebrate the victory of Christ and our hope for the future! Amen.

**Q 1 We often see people longing to belong. I remember as a kid how I disliked it when I wasn't chosen for a team. How did you feel when you were excluded?**

**Music Worship** 🎵

As the deer pants for the water  
Amazing Grace  
And can it be that I should gain

**Word; Psalm 97**

<sup>1</sup> The LORD reigns, let the earth be glad; let the distant shores rejoice.

<sup>2</sup> Clouds and thick darkness surround him; righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.

<sup>3</sup> Fire goes before him and consumes his foes on every side.

<sup>4</sup> His lightning lights up the world; the earth sees and trembles.

<sup>5</sup> The mountains melt like wax before the LORD, before the Lord of all the earth.

<sup>6</sup> The heavens proclaim his righteousness, and all peoples see his glory.

<sup>7</sup> All who worship images are put to shame, those who boast in idols—  
worship him, all you gods!

<sup>8</sup> Zion hears and rejoices and the villages of Judah  
are glad because of your judgments, LORD.

<sup>9</sup> For you, LORD, are the Most High over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.

<sup>10</sup> Let those who love the LORD hate evil, for he guards the lives of his faithful ones  
and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.

<sup>11</sup> Light shines on the righteous and joy on the upright in heart.

<sup>12</sup> Rejoice in the LORD, you who are righteous, and praise his holy name.

**Word: Revelation 22.12-14, 16-17, 20-21**

**Epilogue: Invitation and Warning**

<sup>12</sup> “Look, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to each person according to what they have done.

<sup>13</sup> I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.

<sup>14</sup> “Blessed are those who wash their robes, that they may have the right to the tree of life and may go through the gates into the city.

<sup>16</sup> “I, Jesus, have sent my angel to give you this testimony for the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, and the bright Morning Star.”

<sup>17</sup> The Spirit and the bride say, “Come!” And let the one who hears say, “Come!” Let the one who is thirsty come; and let the one who wishes take the free gift of the water of life.

<sup>20</sup> He who testifies to these things says, “Yes, I am coming soon.” Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

<sup>21</sup> The grace of the Lord Jesus be with God’s people. Amen.

## **DISCUSSION**

**Q 2 Can we all identify with the need to feel that we belong and are loved, is it wonderful to know that we belong to Jesus? Please discuss these feelings.**

**Q 3** Discuss each point please.

**a Is it hard to imagine that Jesus is coming soon?**

**b Our World is full of anger, war, oppression and poverty. Have you ever thought that Jesus may well be among the chaos working through you and me?**

**c Heard of this wonderful saying - Change the World but begin with yourself.**

**Q 4** The purpose of Revelation is to reveal the full identity of Jesus and to give warning and hope to believers. All who trust in Jesus will be saved - God is in control.

**Does this fill you with hope and joy? Share your thoughts.**

## **Works**

How can we share our hope and joy this week?

**Ending prayer** Please pray together

O God, thank you for your amazing Word, and for this opportunity to learn more about you. Help us now to carry this knowledge in our minds and to share with all people in our community. May it deeply impact our hearts, our relationships and our lives.

We pray this in the name of Jesus, Amen.

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