Bible Aids for Upcoming Sermons

The Revelation!? Seriously?

On Sundays from June 15 through August 3 (excepting July 20, which will be Missionary Sunday), we will share a summer scripture/sermon series, entitled *The Revelation!? Seriously?* This will be a seven week series taking a look at significant portions of the Revelation according to St. John.

The Revelation is perhaps one of the most misunderstood, most misinterpreted, and (therefore) most ignored books of the New Testament. Perhaps you have found it confusing. Perhaps you have been afraid to read it. Perhaps you primarily associate it with *The Left Behind* series of books or with other denominations of the church that you don't know what to think about.

This series on the Book of the Revelation of St. John will dive headfirst into this confusion, fear, misunderstanding, and mystery. Together we will look into this record of John's mysterious dream, and find it to be a source of strength and inspiration and hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.

To prepare for the class, you are invited to read the entire book of Revelation as soon as you are able. You may be surprised to find that it is short enough to read in one or two sittings. You may also find that much of it is more familiar than you thought. All are asked if possible to at least read the first chapter by this Sunday, June 15!

List of dates and Bible focus texts of the Revelation of John:

| 6/15/2014 | John, the Risen Christ, and the Churches | Rev 1 |
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| 6/22/2014 | God the Creator | Rev 4:1-11 |
| 6/29/2014 | Christ the Lamb | Rev 5:1-13 |
| 7/6/2014 | Threats and Dangers | Rev 6:1-8 and 7:9-17 |
| 7/13/2014 | The Two Beasts | Rev 13:1-18 |
| 7/20/2014 | MIssionary Sunday | |
| 7/27/2014 | The Harlot and Great Battle | Rev 17:1-6 and 19:11-16 |
| 8/3/2014 | New Jerusalem | Rev 21:1-6 and 22:1-5 |

The Book of Ruth

On Sundays from August 10 through August 31, we will share a summer scripture/sermon series on the Book of Ruth.

List of dates and Bible focus texts from Ruth:

| 8/10/2014 | Ruth week 1 | Ruth 1:1-22 |
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| 8/17/2014 | Ruth week 2 | Ruth 2:1-23 |
| 8/24/2014 | Ruth week 3 | Ruth 3:1-18 |
| 8/31/2014 | Ruth week 4 | Ruth 4:1-22 |