

THE SIXTH BOWL BLESSING

Pastor Dave Bechtel | Revelation 16:12-16

- I. “_Behold_” the _truth_ Rev 1:3; 22:7, 12, 20
- A. As _fallen_ folks, we have warped
worldviews Isa 60:2a; Eph 2:1-2;
John 8:44; II Cor 4:4
- B. “_Revelation_” gives us God’s
worldview (the _TRUTH_) Ps 19:1-6; Rom 1:20;
Ps 19:7-14; 119:105, 130;
I Cor 15:19; I Thess 5:8;
Ps 101:3; Rev 1:3; 16:15;
Rev 22:7
- II. “_Take_ it to _heart_”
- A. What we “_keep_” changes us
inside Rev 1:3; Luke 2:51;
Ps 119:11; Matt 6:19-24
- B. Treasured _truth_ changes our
attitude I John 3:2-3; II Pet 3:11ff;
Acts 5:40-41; 16:22-25
- III. _Reap_ the _benefits_ John 8:31-32
- A. We will be _blessed_ II Chron 16:9; Rom 8:28-39
- B. Not _embarrassed_ I John 2:28

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

The following is designed to help your group enter into meaningful discussion and application as you become a more fully-devoted follower of Jesus. These questions are a guide and you may not address all of them in group. Look through them ahead of time and identify questions you would like to discuss more thoroughly together. Any questions not addressed during group may be useful for personal study. Remember, our goal is to not just listen to the Word but obey it (James 1:22).

RELATE

What did you think about the movie clips from “Butterfly Circus?”

As a group, discuss attending the October 21st presentation by Nic Vijucic in lieu of your regular weekly meeting.

As group, discuss a Fall service project. Suggestion: Walk for Life (October 24), Fall Frenzy (October 30). See October *CrossRoads* or GROW Group Leader blog for more details (<http://growtogether.bethel-church.org>).

REVIEW

Take a minute and review the outline or any of the verses Pastor Dave mentioned. Share any truth, application, or part of the message that challenged or confused you.

What does it mean to be “blessed”? What does it take for someone to be blessed in this and other passages?

Who is speaking in Revelation 16:15 and to whom?

DIG

How do the following verses relate to not being ashamed by “staying awake” and “keeping your clothes on”? (see Revelation 16:15)

Luke 9:26

Colossians 3:12-14

2 Timothy 2:15

1 Peter 5:8-9

APPLICATION

Is there anything from the sermon you need to “take to heart” so you will not be ashamed?

Are you “beholding the truth” with regular Bible reading? Share any strategies you have that make it meaningful.

What benefits have you received from regular reading of the Bible?

RESOURCES

- Butterfly Circus Online: <http://tinyurl.com/butterflycircus>