

PREACHING CURRICULUM

Risk & Reward

Revelation 11:1-14

'...by definition, the Christian life is one of risk and adventure...'

1 REVIEW THE SERMON

LEADER NOTES: Encourage your members to pull out their notes and review the main points of the sermon. (9-12 mins)

What are we meant to learn from the example of the two witnesses?

What is God's call on our lives here and now, in light of the judgements described as yet to come?

What defines a true "insider"?

2 ASSESS YOUR LIFE

LEADER NOTES: Evaluate the condition of your lives in relation to the truth from God's Word. Encourage heart examination. (12-15 mins)

How do you respond when persecuted for your faith? Have you had to?

Do you consider yourself an "insider" - i.e. would you define your life as one of "risk and adventure" according to the sermon, and why?

How do we choose to prepare for persecution?

3 APPLY THE TRUTH

LEADER NOTES: Create a list of ways to close the gap between your lives and the truth of the Bible. Be practical and intentional. (12-15 mins)

How does God measure your faithfulness?

What might persecution look like for us here in Canada/North America? How can we be "wise as a serpent and harmless as a dove" (Matt. 10:16) in our current cultural setting?

How much are you willing to risk to win His reward?

4 COMMIT THIS WEEK

LEADER NOTES: Call your small group members to make a commitment and get the group working together to follow-up with each other. (9-12)

How will you be a risk-taking adventurer for Christ this week?

How can we encourage/ stir-up one another in this area?