

**Redemption Church of Bristol**  
**Revelation Worksheets, Chapter 1**

**Read Revelation 1**

1. What stands out to you? What excites you?
2. What don't you understand?

**Symbols & Allusions in Chapter 1**

1. A son of man, coming on the clouds  
John is alluding to Daniel 7 & 10, written at a time that Judaism was being suppressed and the Temple had been shut down. Daniel's visions were meant to give assurance that God was coming and would vindicate them.
2. 7 Golden Lampstands
  - a. [The lampstand](#) was an object set apart for worship in the Temple.
  - b. What is this significance of John calling the church a lampstand?
3. The 7 stars
  - a. In the ancient world, there were 7 known planets. People ascribed their fate and the whims of the gods to the movement of the planets.
  - b. What does it mean that Christ holds the stars in his hand?
4. How is Jesus described?
  - a. Read Vv 5-8 and 12-18 again.
  - b. Can you list all the symbols used to describe Jesus?
  - c. What do these symbols mean?
    - What do they do to you? Which are most exciting? Confusing?
    - What is John trying to tell us about who Christ is?

**Reflection:**

1. Why did the first century church need to hear this message about Jesus?
  - a. In what ways do we need to hear it?
2. What is John's response to receiving this revelation of Jesus (Verse 17)?
  - a. When was the last time you fell at Christ's feet?
  - b. What would it take for you to have awe before Jesus?
3. What's the good news of Revelation 1?
4. What would it take to know the Christ of Revelation 1 throughout our week?
  - a. How would it make our week different?

**Prayer:**

*Lord, we pray you would reveal yourself to us. In the midst of the mundane, help us to see how awesome and beautiful you are. In the midst of suffering and injustice, help us to remember that you are Lord and you will come. In the midst of our lives, help us to remember how great is your love for us. **Amen.***