

Revelation 12:1-11 CSB

Revelation is not linear – it's not what happens next – it's what does John see next?

Revelation 12 is WINDOW THREE.

Window One is the Throne Room (Christ Enthroned).

Window Two is the Opening Of The Seals/Blowing of the Trumpets.

Two Signs and A Scheme

First Sign: A very odd woman. She is a sign of the people of God, both before Jesus and after Jesus.

Genesis 37:9 CSB – Then he had another dream and told it to his brothers. "Look," he said, "I had another dream, and this time the sun, moon, and eleven stars were bowing down to me."

Isaiah 66:7-9 ESV

Second Sign: He is a murderer, a killer.

"Eve versus the serpent; Sarah and Rebekah versus barrenness; Tamar versus Judah; Jochebed and Miriam versus the Pharaoh; Deborah and Jael versus Sisera; Ruth and Naomi versus death; Hannah versus barrenness; Jehosheba versus Athaliah. In all these examples of struggle, these women of faith are engaged in a battle to save the people of God. The victory of Esther over Haman dramatically continues this theme." – Stephen Dempster

"It is St. John's Spirit-appointed task to supplement the work of St. Matthew and St. Luke so that the nativity cannot be sentimentalized into coziness, nor domesticated into worldliness. This is not the nativity story we grew up with, but it is the nativity story all the same. Jesus' birth excites more than wonder; it excites evil."
– Eugene Peterson

Revelation 12:17 ESV – Then the dragon became furious with the woman and went off to make war on the rest of her offspring, on those who keep the commandments of God and hold to the testimony of Jesus. And he stood on the sand of the sea.

2 Corinthians 2:11 ESV – so that we would not be outwitted by Satan; for we are not ignorant of his designs.

Three Schemes of the Enemy:

1) Accusation

Accusation is the full-frontal attack of our enemy. He exists to accuse you & to get you to agree to the accusation.

Almost always born of a word or a wound.

Accusations gets its power from agreement.

2) Deceit

John 8:44 ESV – You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

In two primary ways:

False Doctrine

A Move Away From Orthodoxy (Deconstruction)

3) Death

Hebrews 2:14-15 ESV – Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery.

Spot the false accusations; repent of our deceptions; get involved and commit.

WELCOME!

If you have questions, please stop by the NEXT STEPS table in the foyer or look for a team member. If we can help you in any way, please email us at dwellingplacemovement@gmail.com.

Our strategy at DPC: Gather (Gatherings), Group (Connect Groups), Grow (Growth Phases), Give (Giving/Gifting Teams), Go (Outreach)

GATHER

Sundays in May - 9a + 11a
What Would Jesus Undo?

We've all heard the question 'what would Jesus do?' We wore the bracelets, the t-shirts, and even asked ourselves that question as a way to make sure our beliefs matched up with our actions. But have you ever thought about the questions 'What Would Jesus Undo?' What would He undo in the world we live in? What would He not do? What would He undo in us? If Jesus is undoing something in our life, we can be sure of a few things. It's for our good, it's for His glory, and ultimately He has something better for us. Let the undoing begin.

Monday, June 6 - Thursday,
June 9 - 9a -12p - DPKids
Mission: Deep Sea VBS

Mission: Deep Sea VBS makes its way to DPKids on June 6-9 from 9AM-12PM daily! It's going to be a blast learning that our faith grows deeper when we spend time with God, spend time with others, use our gifts to serve, and share our stories of faith. Register today at the Next Steps table! Ages preschool (3) - Elementary (5th grade)

GROUP

Sunday, May 1 + 15 -
Connect Group Night

If you would like to join a connect group, please visit the Next Steps table in the lobby.

GROW

Thursday, May 5 -7p - 9p
Night Four of our Spring
Semester of Growth Phases

It's not too late to join us for our Spring Semester of Growth Phases. Get signed up at the Next Steps table in the lobby today!

GIVE

"His Blueprint" Capital
Campaign - He Has Chosen Us!
We encourage each of you to continue to ask God what He would have you give to our capital campaign!

Goal by June 2022
\$220,000

Commitment Levels:
One time Legacy Gifts
20K - Gold Legacy Gift
10K - Silver Legacy Gift
1K - Precious Stone Legacy Gift

Monthly Pledges
\$500, \$250, \$150, \$50

Did you know you can give via text? Just text any dollar amount to 84321 to give. You will follow a quick, self-guided setup process to tie your mobile phone to our church, your donor account, and a payment source. After that, donating is as easy as sending a text.

GO

Be on the lookout for more
opportunities to serve our
community in the upcoming weeks!