

The Word Is Life

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Revelation 1:1-8

The Book of Revelation contains the unique promise that when it is read aloud both the reader and the hearer will be blessed, if they take to heart what is written (Revelation 1:3). Within the book there is encouragement and specific guidance. To add a new emphasis to your devotions, try reading your daily scripture portions aloud. Ask yourself, what is it saying to me today?

One of the first things John tells us is God loves us, and has freed us from our sins (Revelation 1:5b). This blessing is affirmed in the power to live free from sin and in the cleansing of the conscience (Romans 6:22; Hebrews 9:14).

Scripture reading often also gives us something to do, and the first part of Revelation chapter one does: we are instructed to “look” (Revelation 1:7). The One who loves us is coming back for us! “Looking” includes: an excitement that we will gaze upon the face of the One who died in our place; an eagerness to join those who have gone before us; and an urgency to point others to the Savior for the forgiveness of their sins.

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