

Week 06
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Transforming Daily
“... Faithful and True ...”
Revelation 19:11

At this point in Revelation, John tells the reader that he saw heaven open up and a white horse appeared. Upon the white horse was One described as “Faithful and True.” Obviously that One is Jesus Christ, and He is the only One Faithful and True. But to whom and what is He faithful and true. Oversimplified, Jesus is faithful to God and His Word.

The reader is introduced to this concept in context from the previous verse when John records that “Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.” On the other hand this declaration is found throughout Scripture. But here the declaration is more than how He is related to His Father. The declaration is a designation. Jesus not only acts faithful and true, He is Faithful and True. Therefore, He can act no other way than that which is consistent with His character and essence.

In a way, John is saying that Jesus is the fulfillment of the prophecies of God regarding His second coming specifically, and all that He said from Genesis to Revelation in general. Another way of putting it is, not only is Jesus Faithful and True, He is the Word of God (John 1:1, 14). In Revelation 19:11-16, John basically describes God’s final Word on the matter.

If you’re a believer, then Christ lives within you. If He is Faithful and True, and He is, then you possess His essence of Faithfulness and Truth. That isn’t to say that you are righteous in and of yourself, but because of Jesus Christ the believer has been declared righteous. Accordingly the believer is expected to live so in the Spirit. There’s no doubt that this is easier said than done. It is the challenge for, and charge to, the believer to live in the Spirit of Truth faithfully and sincerely. It is the believer’s responsibility and privilege to live according to God’s Word.

Do you live according to God’s Word? Do you recognize the fact that Jesus lives within you? How does your conduct reflect the indwelling of the Holy Spirit? Empowered by Christ, are you faithful and true?