Session 12
Revelation

The King Is Coming

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Creation

The Problem

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The Solution: Covenant God

Covenant Promises

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The Covenant King

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Covenant Worship

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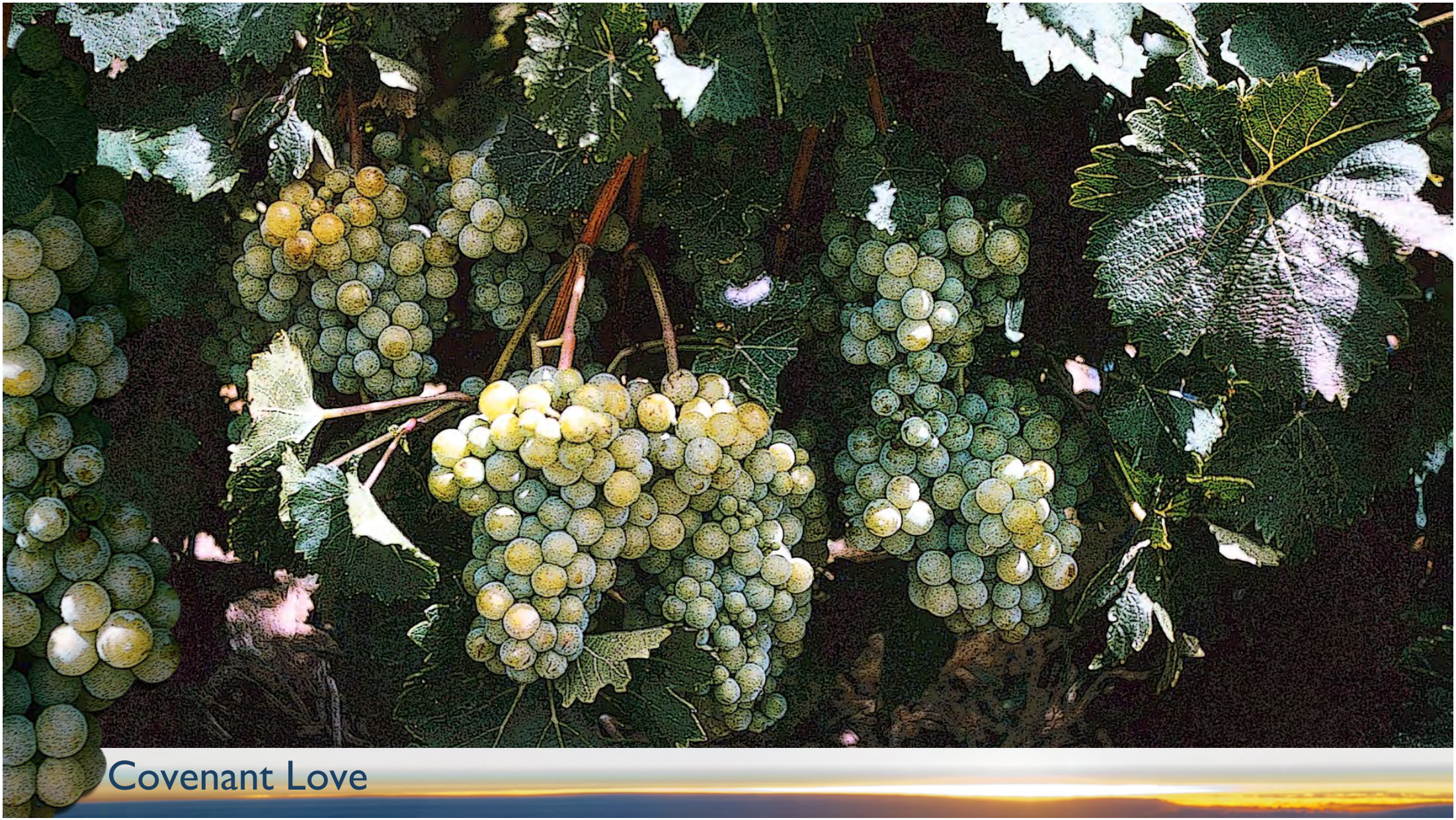

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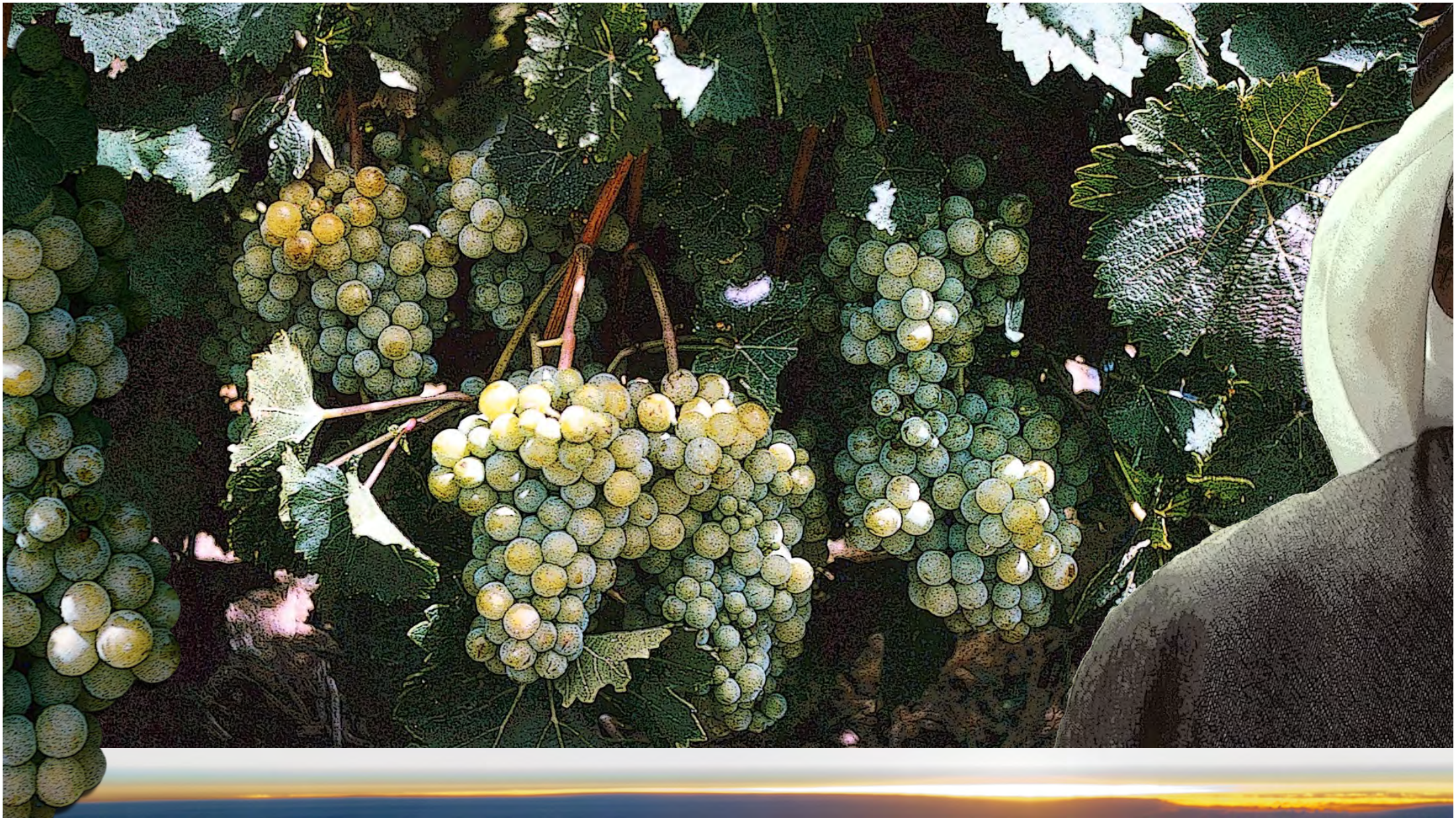

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All the King's Men

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Session Objectives:

1. Understand the ultimate victory for those who are on God's side
2. Identify the connections between Genesis and Revelation

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Community Conviction (Basic Orthodoxy)

*Scripture	2 Tim 3:16; 2 Pet 1:21
*Trinity	Mat 28:19; 1 Cor 12:4-6; 2 Cor 13:14;
*Jesus	Col 2:9-10; 2 Cor 5:21
*Humanity	Rom 3:10-19; 1 Tim 5:6
*Atonement	1 Cor 15:1-3
*Salvation	Eph 2:8-9
*Return of Christ	Rom 8:19-23

Characteristics of a Commited Christ Follower

A. Supreme and incomparable love for Jesus.
B. Regular Study and devotion to God's Word.
C. Renunciation of ourselves as the authority and focus of our lives.
D. A life of submission and sacrifice to the cross.
E. Allegiance to Christ's compelling leadership.
F. Recognition of the true ownership of our possessions.
G. Reflection of Christ's love in our attitudes and actions toward others.

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- Nationally -- Israel Rejected Jesus as Messiah
  - But not all. We are now in the church era (Eph 3)
    - What about Israel? The Covenants.
    - Romans 11
    - God will fulfill his covenants to Israel in an era to come
      [Isaiah 65:17-25]

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- Revelation
  - It presents in colorful language and imagery the ending...
    - where God defeats the powers of evil,
    - reverses the curse of sin,
    - fulfills His covenants and restores His creation
    - and lives among His people forever.

- **An end-of-time Overview**
  - A resurrection of believers before a time of trouble (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; 1 Cor 15:51-58)
  - A seven-year time of trouble begins (Rev 6-19; seventieth week of Daniel, cf. Daniel 9:24-27).
  - Israel, nationally, turns to Christ in the time of trouble
  - Return of Christ to planet earth (19:11-21)
  - A physical reign of Christ (Rev 20; Isaiah 65:17-25)
  - New Heaven and New Earth (Rev 21-22)

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- **The Structure of Revelation**

Introduction (1:1-20)
Messages to the seven churches (2:1-3:22)
A vision of the heavenly throne room (4:1-5:14)
The opening of the seven seals (6:1-8:1)
The sounding of the seven trumpets (8:2-11:19)
The presence of God versus the powers of evil (12:1-14:20)
The pouring out of the seven bowls (15:1-16:21)
The judgment and fall of Babylon (17:1-19:5)
God's ultimate victory (19:6-22:5)
Conclusion (22:6-21)

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- Judgment on Planet Earth
- The Return of Christ
- Genesis . . . and Revelation

Critical Themes in Revelation

- **God**
  —worthy of worship (4:11; 14:7; 19:6)
  —intent on judging evil (16:5-7; 19:1-2)
  —loves and protects his people (7:2-3)

- **Jesus, the Lion Lamb**
  —one with God; shares in authority, glory, and worship
  —1:4-5, 14-16; 5:6, 9-14; 21:22-23

- **New Heaven and New Earth**
  —God completes in Rev 21-22 what he began in Gen 1-2
  —Community is restored

Genesis . . . . . Revelation	
"In the Beginning" (Gen 1:1)	"I Am the Alpha and Omega..." (Rev 21:6)
God creates heavens and earth - sin (Gen 3)	God creates a new heaven and earth - no sin (Rev 21:6)
Satan is present (Gen 3)	Satan and sin are judged (Rev 19:11-21; 20:7-10)
Death enters (Gen 4:6-8; Gen 5)	Death is put to death (Rev 20:14; 21:4)
Sinful people lose intimate fellowship (Gen 3)	God's people serve Him in openness (22:3)
Community forfeited (Gen 3:8)	Genuine Community Experienced (21:3, 7)
Ashamed in God's presence (Gen 3:8-11)	God's people "see His face" (Rev 22:4)
Sin brings pain (Gen 3:16-17)	No more tears (Rev 21:4)
Forbidden to eat from Tree of Life (Gen 3:22-24)	God's people eat freely and live (Rev 22:2,14)

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Final Connecting Points

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