



## **Message Reflections**

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*"Imagery has the power to hook us deep inside. Images can quickly and effectively convey that which we struggle to put into words. Imagery goes beyond the intellect and through the emotions into the imagination. Grabbing hold of us at the deepest recesses of our being."*

- Darrell Johnson, Theologian

### **Read: Revelation 13**

This passage issues a challenge to God's people to endure, to be faithful, and to refuse to compromise.

### **Reflect:**

- Consider a time when you had to admit that you were unfaithful to the Lord. What brought you back to renew your faithfulness? Consider the influence of Scripture, other people's words, memories, the Holy Spirit's prompting, God arranging circumstances, or other influences.
  
- Should the reality of Satan and his evil intent alter the way you approach each day? If so, in what ways? If not, why not?

As a follower of Jesus, we need to be ready to resist false teachers. We do that by being rooted in God's Word, which will make us like a tree planted by a stream of water (Psalm 1). As we fill our minds with Scripture and prayerfully seek to be led by Him, He will give us wisdom and discernment.

- How consistent are you in staying close to Jesus? What have you discovered are some ways for you to stay connected to Christ?

### **Pray:**

Ask God to provide you and Christians all over the world with wisdom to identify Satan's lies, and with strength to worship God alone even in the midst of opposition.