



Sermon Discussion Guide¹ Rev 9:13-21 | Kevin DeYoung

“Yet They Did Not Repent”
Sunday Morning, November 19th, 2023

Big Idea: “We do not understand what Christianity is all about unless we understand that God is even now commanding all people everywhere to repent.”

1. **Review:** Following Kevin’s sermon outline, can you name the *who*, *what*, *when*, *where*, and *why* of Rev 9:13-21?²
2. **Gospel:** Why do you think *repentance* is often left out when sharing the gospel?
3. **Deception:** “The main way that Satan works in the world is by telling falsehoods.”
 - a. Why is knowing this so important to living the Christian life?
 - b. Think about lies that are you tempted to believe about God, yourself, others. How do we combat these in real time?
4. **Hindrances:** “‘You be you’ is not the hope of the world, but the judgment of God.” Can you think of other worldly ideas which are hindrances to repentance?
5. **Megaphone:** C.S. Lewis writes, “Pain insists upon being attended to. God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks in our consciences, but shouts in our pains. It is his megaphone to rouse a deaf world.”³ Have you seen this to be true in your own life?
6. **Embarrassment and Regret:** What is the difference between embarrassment and repentance? ...regret and repentance?
7. **Rock Bottom:** Kevin mentioned that when some hit rock bottom, “they start digging.” How do we see this in our text? How do we see this in our world?
8. **Pray:** Take a moment and pray for loved ones who are running from God. Pray also for our own hearts, that our hearts would be soft to the conviction of the Spirit.

¹ SDGs from the Sunday morning sermon are available on the [small groups page](#) of the church website.

² See rough outline on the next page for more details.

³ *The Problem of Pain* by C.S. Lewis

General Outline

- I. Introduction
 - a. Christianity in 10 words
 - b. Faithfully explaining the Gospel includes *repentance*.
- II. 5 Questions from Rev 9:13-21
 - a. *Who* is being harmed? *Who* is doing the harming?
 - b. *What* is going on?
 - c. *When* will these things take place?
 - d. *Where* is all of this to take place?
 - i. “The great river Euphrates”
 - e. *Why* are all these events happening?
 - i. Ten Commandments
- III. Conclusion
 - a. *Repentance* v. *Embarrassment & Regret*
 - b. John Newton “Amazing Grace”