

Sunday, April 22, 2019
Apocalypse Now: The Lion Roars
“The Christ of the Lampstands”
Revelations 1:9-20
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Revelation 1:9-20 (focal vv17b, 18: *‘He laid his right hand on men, saying, ‘Fear not, I am the first and the last, and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades’.*)

‘Whether it comes through normal or super-normal channels [we might say ordinary or extra-ordinary means], it is – ultimately – a vision, a concept of Christ himself, that gives power to New Testament Christianity. Take that away, and we are left with dead bones of a dry morality, devoid of comfort, and powerless to change anything.’

The Book of Revelation reminds us that Christianity is full of comfort – and has power to change the world! John caught a glimpse of the risen Lord Jesus Christ in his glory. In this sermon on Revelation 1:9-20, we consider *The Christ of the lampstands* (churches). It is this vision which has the power to transform not only personal lives but the corporate church.

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