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**WHO IS STANDING IN OUR MIDST?
Revelation 1:9-20**

Jesus Christ. Rev. 1:12-16

- He **empowers** the church. Rev. 1:12-13, 20; Phil. 2:15; Matt. 5:16; Acts 20:28, 25:31-40; Zech. 4:2; Matt. 28:20, 18:20; Heb. 13:5; John 14:18, 23
- He **intercedes** for the church. Rev. 1:13; Zech. 3:4; Ex. 28:4; 1 Sam. 24:15, 12; Heb. 2:17-18, 3:1, 4:14, 7:25, 9:11-12; Rom. 8:33-34
- He **purifies** the church. Rev. 1:14-15; Matt. 5:48; 2 Cor. 11:2; Eph. 5:25-27; 1 Pet. 1:15-16; Matt. 18:15-17; Heb. 12:5; 2 Pet. 4:7; Rev. 2:18; Matt 10:26; Heb. 4:13
- He **speaks** with authority to the church. Rev. 1:15, 14:2, 19:6; John 5:28-29; Heb. 1:1-2
- He **controls** the church. Rev. 1:16, 20; Eph. 4:15, 5:23; Col. 1:18; 2 Tim. 3:1-7
- He **protects** the church. Rev. 1:16, 2:12, 16; Acts 20:30; Heb. 4:12-13; Matt. 16:18
- He **reflects** his glory through the church. Rev. 1:16; 2 Cor. 4:6; Eph. 3:21

Responding. Rev. 1:17-19

- Fear of **falling** at the feet of Jesus. Rev. 1:17; Dan. 10:8-9; Is. 6:5; Ez. 1:28, 3:23; Job 42:5-6; Acts 9:3-4; Rev. 6:16-17; Heb. 12:28-29
- Assurance and **comfort**. Rev. 1:17-18
 - He has power over **time**. Rev. 1:17, 8; Matt. 14:27, 17:7, 28:10; Ex. 3:14
 - He has power over **life**. Rev. 1:18; John 1:4, 14:6, 5:26; Rev. 1:5; Rom. 8:31; John 4:10-11, 6:51, 57, 11:26; Heb. 4:12, 7:25
 - He has power over **sin**. Rev. 1:18; 2 Pet. 3:18; Heb. 7:16; Rom. 6:9; Heb. 7:25
 - He has power over **death**. Rev. 1:18; John 11:25, 14:19; 2 Cor. 5:8; Phil. 1:23; Heb. 2:14-15
- We have the responsibility and **duty** to pass on the truth. Rev. 11:19; 2 Tim. 3:16-17; 2 Cor. 3:18