

Valley Bible Church - Sermon Study Questions

Study Aid for the Sermon from August 11, 2013 The Raising of Dorcas Acts 9:36-43

Observing the text

How does the beast from the earth in Revelation 13:11-18 compare with the beast from the sea in Revelation 13:1-10?

Whose authority does the beast from the earth exercise (Revelation 13:12)? How does this beast demonstrate the authority that he is given (Revelation 13:12-13)?

What signs does this beast from the earth perform (Revelation 13:13-14)? What is the purpose of these signs (Revelation 13:12, 15)?

What mark does this beast from the earth force on the people, and what is the purpose of this mark (Revelation 13:16-18)?

Applying the sermon

How concerned are you about death? How confident are you of your future resurrection?

How often do you use your God-given skills and abilities to serve the needs of others?
Have you informed the church of your skills and your availability?

Are there types of people who you struggle to be with because you feel they are somehow beneath you? How do you suppose this might affect God's work in you and through you?

Take a moment to reflect on your response to these questions in prayer before the Lord.