

“A Vision of the Throne of God” – Part 2
Revelation 5:1-14

Revelation #12

The central vision of the book of Revelation –

Ch 4: God is sovereign over all

Ch 5: Jesus, the Lamb, has prevailed and is sovereign over all.

1. The Glory of the Lamb

vv. 1-7

(1) The Sealed Scroll and Its Significance (1)

“And I saw in the right hand of Him who sat on the throne

-1- In the right hand of the living God! *a scroll written inside and on the back,
sealed with seven seals.”*

-2- Sealed with seven seals – signifying the authority of the living God!

-3- The significance of the scroll

- Contains God’s plan of judgment and redemption
- A Covenantal Promise of an inheritance

(2) The Great Question (2-4)

*“Then I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice,
‘Who is worthy to open the scroll and to loose its seals?’”*

-1- Who has the authority and the ability to execute God’s plan of redemption and judgment?

-2- The answer v. 3 : None of fallen humanity! Thus John’s grief! v. 4

(3) The Glory of the Lamb Set Forth (5-7)

*“But one of the elders said to me, ‘Do not weep.
Behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah,
the Root of David, has prevailed
to open the scroll and to loose its seven seals.’”*

-1- His titles set forth

– heavenly counsel given 5

- The Lion of the tribe of Judah cf. Gen 49:8-12
- The Root of David cf. Is. 11:1, 10

-2- His victory summarized: He “has prevailed”

His great work and accomplishment makes Him worthy to open the scroll

-3- His glorious identity as Savior portrayed

*“And I looked, and behold,
in the midst of the throne...
stood a Lamb as though it had been slain”*

- Triumphant in and through death!

“a Lamb standing as slain” or “standing, having been slain”

- Omnipotent! “having seven horns”

- Omniscient! “and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent out into all the earth”

-4- His power and right revealed 7 *“Then He came and took the scroll out of the right hand
of Him who sat on the throne.”*

2. The Worship of the Lamb

vv. 8-14

(1) The Worship of the Inner Heavenly Circle (8-10)

- They fall down and worship the Lamb v. 8
- They sing a new song vv. 9-10

(2) The Worship of the Angelic Host (11-12)

-1- The extent of this host. *“ten thousand times ten thousand,
and thousands of thousands”*

-2- Their song of praise *“Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
To receive power and riches and wisdom
And strength and honor and glory and blessing!”*

(3) The Worship of the Whole Created Order (13-14)

-1- The extent of this host *“every creature which is in heaven and on the earth
and under the earth and such as are in the sea,
and all that are in them, I heard saying...”*

**-2- Praise – ascribed to God and the Lamb
as being equal in glory and honor!** *“Blessing and honor and glory and power
Be to Him who sits on the throne
And to the Lamb, forever and ever!”*

-3- The “Amen!” of the living creatures and elders