I Midweek Bible Study

The Throne Room of Heaven Opened Rev. 4:1-11

Introduction to Revelation 4-5

- 1. The uniqueness of this passage
- 2. Rev. 4-5 is foundational to the book.
- 3. The attributes and glory of God form the centerpiece of the throne room scene.
- 4. A brief reminder about literalism.

I. Behold, a Door Standing Opened in Heaven (4:1)

- A. After these things –
- B. Behold a door having been opened in heaven
- C. The first voice which I heard as a trumpet
- D. Saying, "Come up here and I will show you which is necessary to happen, after these things"

II. The Throne of God Described (4:2-7)

- A. The beauty of the One on the Throne (2-3)
 - 1. Immediately I was in the Spirit
 - 2. Behold a throne set in heaven
 - 3. The One sitting upon the throne
 - 4. Like the appearance of jasper and sardius
 - 5. And a rainbow encircled the throne like the appearance of emerald



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- B. The twenty-four elders around the Throne (4)
 - 1. Around the throne, 24 thrones
 - 2. Seated upon the thrones 24 elders
 - 3. Clothed in white garments and crowns of gold upon their heads
- C. Theophany from the Throne (5)
 - 1. Lightning proceeds from the throne
 - 2. And sounds of thunder
 - 3. And seven burning lamps of fire before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God
- D. The four living creatures in the midst and around the throne (6-7)
 - 1. Before the throne a sea of glass, like crystal
 - 2. And in the midst and around the throne, four living beings
 - 3. Full of eyes in the front and the back
 - 4. The first was like a lion
 - 5. The second was like an ox
 - 6. The third has the face of a man
 - 7. The fourth like an eagle flying mid-air
- **III.** The Worship of God Around the Throne (4:8-11)
 - A. The four living creatures worship (4:8)



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- 1. Further description of the living beings
 - a. The four living beings, each one having six wings
 - b. Full of eyes within and without
- 2. Their worship
 - a. They have no rest day and night, saying
 - b. Holy Holy is God the Almighty
 - c. The one who was, who is, and who is to come
- B. The twenty-four elders worship (4:9-11)
 - 1. When the four living beings give glory and honor and thanks to the One sitting upon the throne
 - 2. The 24 elders fall before the One sitting upon the throne
 - 3. They worship Him who lives forever and ever
 - 4. And cast their crowns before the throne
 - 5. Their worship
 - a. Worthy are You, Our Lord and our God
 - b. To receive glory and honor and power
 - c. Because You created all things
 - d. And because of Your will they exist and were created

