

Lesson 11 – Revelation 5:1-14
The _____ and the _____

1. The Introduction:

- a. Chapter 5 is a continuation of the _____ and _____, began in chapter 4, to the still future prophetic events predicted in the rest of the book.
- b. This chapter is focused on three things:
 - 1) The _____ – v1-4.
 - 2) The _____ – v5-7.
 - 3) The _____ – v8-14.

2. The _____ (v1-4):

- a. What is it?
 - 1) According to Walvoord, it is “a book which contains the _____ of impending events to be unfolded in the Book of Revelation” (Walvoord, p113).
 - 2) Ethelbert Stauffer makes the observation that “Roman law required a _____ to be sealed seven times as illustrated in the _____ left by Augustus and Vespasian for their successors” (Walvoord, p113). By making such an observation, he is implying that the scroll represents a _____.
 - 3) I agree with Dr. Bob Pittman, who believes it is the _____ _____ to planet earth.
- b. Why is John so upset?
 - 1) Who is this strong angel? We don’t know for sure. Some believe him to be _____. He could be the same angel who ordered the book closed in Dan _____.
 - 2) Why is no one found who is able to open the scroll?
 - a) The reason is because planet earth currently belongs to _____.
 - 1] *Read* Luke 4:5-7.
 - 2] *Read* John 12:31 and 14:30.
 - b) There is only one who is more powerful than him, which leads us to our next passage.

3. The _____ (v5-7):

- a. Why is John commanded to stop weeping?
- b. Who has been found able to open the scroll?
 - 1) The Lion of the tribe of Juda:
 - a) See Gen 49:9-10.
 - b) Speaks to His fulfillment of the _____ Covenant (see Gen 28:10-15).
 - c) The lion character speaks to His _____ rule as the _____ of the universe.
 - d) The lion character refers to His _____ Advent.
 - 2) The Root of David:
 - a) See Isa 11:10.
 - b) Speaks to His fulfillment of the _____ Covenant (see 2 Sam 7:11b-16).
- c. Why does John turn expecting to see a Lion and instead he sees a Lamb?
 - 1) It is the _____ of the Lamb that gives Him the _____ to take possession of the scroll and to loose its seven seals.
 - a) This Lamb had been _____, but He prevailed as evidenced by the fact that He is standing in the midst of the elders obviously _____ from the dead (see Rom 1:3-4).
 - b) *Read* Gen 3:15; Col 2:13-15; Heb 2:14, 17; 1 John 3:5, 8.
 - c) The lamb character speaks to His _____ (see Isa 52:13-53:12).
 - d) The lamb character refers to His _____ Advent.
 - 2) Why did He choose to keep His scars (i.e. His battle wounds)? *Read* 1 Pet 2:24 & 1 Cor 11:24.
 - 3) The seven horns speak to the divine perfection of His _____ (throughout the Book of Daniel horns are used as symbols for kings).
 - 4) The seven eyes are another reference to the sevenfold _____ of _____, who was sent into the world by Christ (see John 16:7).

- 5) The fact that He takes it out of the _____ hand of the Father is a physical depiction of John 5:22. Why is all judgment committed to Him? See John 5:23.
- 6) A parallel passage to this is found in Dan 7:13-14.

4. The _____ (v8-14):

- a. It is a new song in the sense that it could not have been sung _____ to His _____ act.
- b. It declares He is _____ to take and open the scroll because:
 - 1) His work of _____.
 - 2) His _____ of men into kings and priests.
- c. This new song is a powerful affirmation of the fulfillment of Gen _____, which also means that the twenty-four elders can't be _____.
- d. In verse 11, an innumerable host joins the choir and declares that the Lamb is worthy of the sevenfold attributes they ascribe to Him in verse 12. The divine perfection of the Lamb makes Him deserving of the most _____ and _____ praise and adoration that we can possibly give Him.
- e. This vision ends most appropriately with the twenty-four elders (i.e., the Church) falling down and _____ the One who redeemed them.

5. Conclusion:

- a. What is so amazing about this prophetic vision is the fact that it “will be an actual part of the future experience of the saints of God” (Walvoord, p120).
- b. Ponder for a moment the beauty and wonder of this scene in heaven verses the dark clouds of divine judgment portrayed as falling upon the earth in the following chapters. Which do we want people, especially those we love, to experience?
- c. If heaven is permanent and the earth is temporary and transitory, then why do Christians tend to be occupied so much with the things of this present world?
- d. As Dr. Walvoord states, “Revelation puts earth and heaven in proper perspective” (Walvoord, p121).