



THEME: The One Seated on the Throne and The One Worthy to open the Scroll

MEMORY VERSE: Revelation 1:3

Blessed is the one who reads aloud the words of this prophecy, and blessed are those who hear, and who keep what is written in it, for the time is near.

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TEACHING PASSAGE: Revelation 4:1-11, 5:1-14

*See the **next page** for any additional resources, including any activities that can be done with young children.*

Discussion Questions:

1. In the previous verses Jesus had told John of the weaknesses and strengths of the seven churches, which is a representation of all churches. Now Jesus will show John the future working out of His victory on the cross, ("what must take place") where will John be shown these visions? (verses 4:1-2)
2. Chapter 4 God is on His throne, read Daniel 7:9-10, what will take place from His throne?
3. In chapter 4 John's vision was about the throne, in chapter 5 the vision shifts to the scroll. Who holds the scroll and which hand is it in? (verse 1)
4. In these verses the contents of the scroll are not as important as the one who can open it, who is worthy to open the scroll? Why? (verses 2-5) (Genesis 49:9-10, Isaiah 6:13:11:1)
5. The first song in Revelation 4 is focused on God's work of creation, the emphasis now is on His work of redemption (verses 9-10), how does the song tell of the price, work, destination, payment, scope, length, and result of redemption?
6. A "new song" is sung (verses 9-14) how does it differ from the previous song, Revelation 4:8-11, and how is it the same? What is the Lamb worthy to receive? (verse 12)

Additional Resources

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4 After this I looked, and behold, a door standing open in heaven! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, “Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this.” ²At once I was in the Spirit, and behold, a throne stood in heaven, with one seated on the throne. ³And he who sat there had the appearance of jasper and carnelian, and around the throne was a rainbow that had the appearance of an emerald. ⁴Around the throne were twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones were twenty-four elders, clothed in white garments, with golden crowns on their heads. ⁵From the throne came flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and before the throne were burning seven torches of fire, which are the seven spirits of God, ⁶and before the throne there was as it were a sea of glass, like crystal.

And around the throne, on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: ⁷the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with the face of a man, and the fourth living creature like an eagle in flight. ⁸And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and within, and day and night they never cease to say,

“Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty,
who was and is and is to come!”

⁹And whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to him who is seated on the throne, who lives forever and ever, ¹⁰the twenty-four elders fall down before him who is seated on the throne and worship him who lives forever and ever. They cast their crowns before the throne, saying,

¹¹ “Worthy are you, our Lord and God,
to receive glory and honor and power,
for you created all things,
and by your will they existed and were created.”

5 Then I saw in the right hand of him who was seated on the throne a scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals. ²And I saw a mighty angel proclaiming with a loud voice, “Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?” ³And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it, ⁴and I began to weep loudly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. ⁵And one of the elders said to me, “Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals.”

⁶And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. ⁷And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne. ⁸And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the

Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. ⁹ And they sang a new song, saying,

“Worthy are you to take the scroll
and to open its seals,
for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God
from every tribe and language and people and nation,
¹⁰ and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God,
and they shall reign on the earth.”

¹¹ Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders
the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of
thousands, ¹² saying with a loud voice,

“Worthy is the Lamb who was slain,
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might
and honor and glory and blessing!”

¹³ And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the
sea, and all that is in them, saying,

“To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb
be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!”

¹⁴ And the four living creatures said, “Amen!” and the elders fell down and worshiped.

For small children:

Activity: We are back to Revelation. Remember, John was trying his best to describe a scene that no one has ever seen by using objects of familiarity. We can only guess what attributes of a sea and of glass that John was using to describe what was before the throne. As an activity today try to describe an animal by using the attributes of other animals or objects. Can your family guess what animal you are describing?

Example: I am thinking of an animal that has the horn like a sword, the body of a seal, fin of a dolphin, can swim on it's back like a man floating on the sea, spots like a leopard, and lives in the ocean...What is this animal? (Find the answer on the bottom of the page.)

Read verses 4:8-11.

Ask: What do we learn about God by what the 4 creatures are saying?

Ask: What do we learn about God by what the elders are saying?

Ask: Not that God needs us to give him anything, but God deserves glory, honor, and power. What can we do to give him glory, honor, and power?

Read verses 5:1-14 and focus on verses (new song) 9, 10, 12, 13, 14.

Say: Jesus has many names to help describe what he is like. One of his names is Lamb of God (verse 6). John is describing a scene where the people gathered are singing for joyously in celebration for what Jesus has done. What has Jesus done for all people, every tribe and language, that no one else is able to do?

Ask: What are some reasons we sing? Can you think of a time we sing to celebrate?

Ask: What is Jesus worthy to receive? (verse 12)

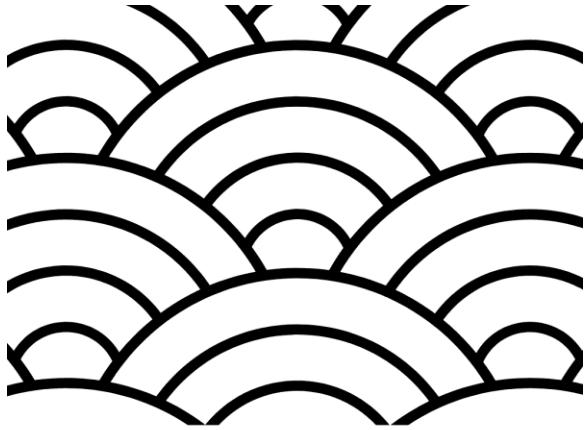
Think about these words, power, wealth, wisdom, might, honor, glory, and blessing. Look these words up in the dictionary to get a fuller understanding of the meanings.

Ask: After reflecting on these verses what have you learned about why we should worship?

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(Narwhal)





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