

# REVELATION • Victory in Jesus • LESSON 10 (June 17)

## Revelation 4: The Throne in Heaven

1. Revelation 4 begins with these words from John: “After this...” Take a moment to go back and make sure you understand what “this” is. What does he mean by writing, “After this”?
2. John hears, “Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this” (4:1). How does this statement inform our reading of the next chapters in Revelation?
3. “At once I was in the Spirit...” (4:2). What does this mean?
4. As you read the description of the throne that stands in heaven (4:2-11), what comes to mind? What effect should this description have on us?
5. “Around the throne were twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones were twenty-four elders...” (4:4). Think about that. Do you think there is any significance to “twenty-four”?
6. When the Lord God Almighty is lauded as “holy, holy, holy,” what is being communicated?
7. He is the One “who was and is and is to come” (4:8). What does this mean? What difference should it make in our lives?
8. The twenty-four elders are casting their crowns before the throne (4:10). What does such an action imply?
9. In your own words, why is the Lord God Almighty worthy of glory and honor and power?
10. In this scene, the four living creatures “never cease” to proclaim God’s holiness. “And whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to him who is seated on the throne... the twenty-four elders fall down before him who is seated on the throne and worship him” (4:9-10). What should we make of this revealed information? What does this tell us about heaven?

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## Revelation 5: Worthy is the Lamb Who Was Slain

1. It's especially important in a book like Revelation that we pay attention to words like "then" when we begin studying a new chapter. For instance, "Then I saw..." (5:1). Thinking back to our last lesson, what's the context?
2. By way of reminder, who is the one "who was seated on the throne" (5:1)?
3. When a Hebrew (or anyone living 2,000 years ago) thought of a sealed scroll, what would come to mind?
4. We get the sense that something important is being conveyed in Revelation 5:1-4. What is it?
5. Revelation 5:5-6 is full of important information. In what way is the Son of God:
  - ❖ The Lion of the tribe of Judah –
  - ❖ The Root of David –
  - ❖ A Lamb standing, as though it had been slain –
6. Have you noticed how the number "seven" keeps coming up in this revelation? Take a quick look back. Where have you noticed it? Do you think there is any significance to it?
7. One of the elders assures John that "the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered" (5:5). How had he conquered? Who or what had he conquered? How do we know?
8. The twenty-four elders are pictured as holding "golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints" (5:8). What has just been revealed to us? Why does it matter?
9. What can we learn from the new song that is sung once the Lamb takes the scroll from the one who is seated on the throne (5:9-10)?
10. "And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them..." (5:13) How could this be true? What does it mean?