



Panorama of Revelation

Part 2

Revelation 1:19 - "Write the things which you have seen, and the things which are, and the things which will take place after this.

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Revelation 2-3

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Takes time for these ages to be revealed.

2nd coming of the Lord could not be identified in Old Testament prophecy until the 1st Coming had happened.

TIMELINE OF TRUTH

Prophecy of consecutive church history from Pentecost to Rapture

1. Ephesus 70-170 AD. The Post Apostolic Church

- Diotrephes controls the people
- Clergy and Laity distinction
- Love for Christ was left for love for their own position

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2. Smyrna 170-312 AD. The Persecuted Church

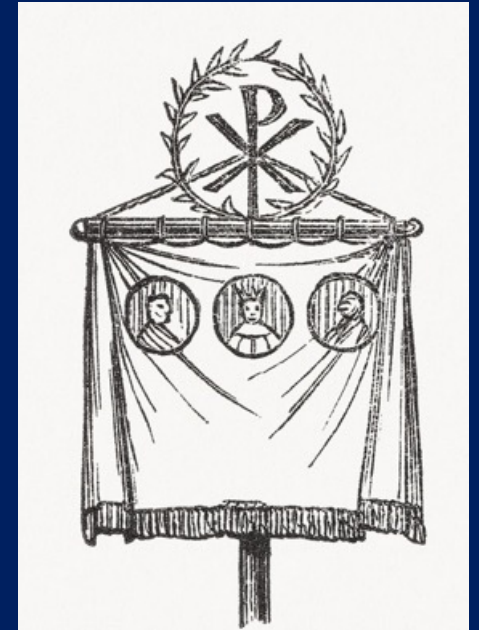
- 10 Roman emperors persecuted the church.
- Required to say that Caesar is Lord.
- Goal was to wipe out Christianity but the church grew bigger.

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3. Pergamos 312-606 AD. The Worldly church

- Church is married to the world.
- Constantine converted to Christianity in 312 AD
- Christianity was elevated to the state religion
- Empire flag displayed the cross
- Very few were really saved
- The ornate church
- Allegorized scripture



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4. Thyatira 606-1500 AD The Pagan Church

- The church had grown into a world power. The church controlled kingdoms. Salvation only came through the church for a price
- This period was known as the Dark Ages
- Persecution by the Church of Rome to root out heresy.
- The Crusades 1100 AD. Spanish Inquisition 1478 AD
- Pope's words were the word of God. 1129 - the bible forbidden
- Bernard of Clairvaux - wrote "*Jesus the very thought of Thee*"



Chapters 4 and 5

Panorama of heaven

CHAPTER 4

Revelation 4:1 - **After these things** I looked, and behold, a door standing open in heaven. And the first voice which I heard was like a trumpet speaking with me, saying, "Come up here, and I will show you things which must take place after this."

“After these things” (8x)



After the messages to the churches

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“Open door”

To open is to reveal. “revelation”

The word “open” seen 27 times.

Open door, scroll, seals, books, temple , heaven



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“Trumpet ”

A trumpet is used to get your attention.



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- Behold
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Rapture of the Church

Church is gone

The church is not mentioned on earth during any of the events of the Tribulation in chapters 5-16



A dramatic sky with dark, heavy clouds and a bright light source breaking through, casting rays of light over a cityscape below. The text is overlaid on the lower half of the image.

Before war is declared, you bring home your own citizens first.
You don't leave them in enemy territory.

Revelation 4:2 - Immediately I was in the Spirit; and behold, a **throne** set in heaven, and One sat on the **throne**.

THE THRONE (17x)

The throne is in chapters 4 and 5 - **17 times**.
39 times in the whole book.

Look for the Throne



On the throne

vs. 2-3 Seated on the throne

Around the throne

vs. 3-4 -Rainbow, 24 elders

Out of the throne

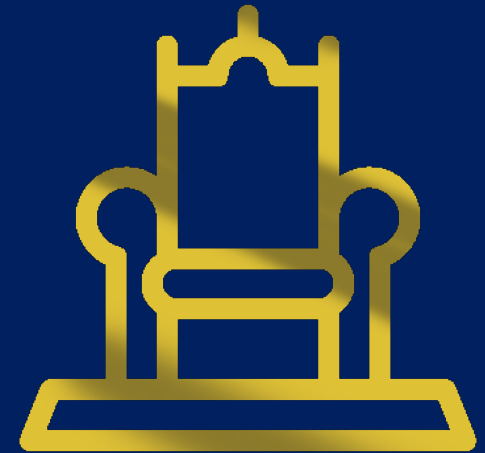
vs. 5 - Thundering and lightning's and voices

Before the throne

vs. 5 - Seven lamps of fire burning

Midst of Throne

vs. 6 - the four living creatures



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IN THE SPIRIT – (4x)

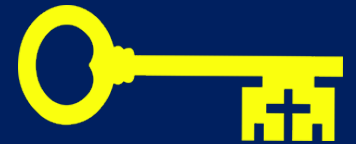


Ch 1 – in the Spirit – John saw the Glorified Son of Man

Ch 4 – in the Spirit – John saw One on the Throne

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THRONE SET

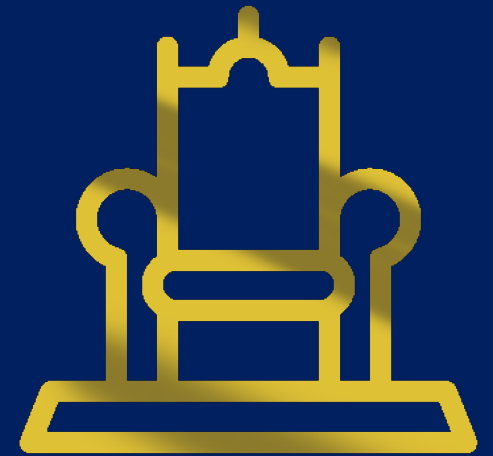


God is on the throne. And he won't be moved.

Psalm 2:2 - The kings of the earth **set themselves**, And the rulers take counsel together, Against the LORD and against His Anointed,

Psalm 2:6 – “Yet I have **set My King** On My holy hill of Zion.”

*God is still on the throne,
And He will remember His own,
Though trials may press us
and burdens distress us,
He never will leave us alone —*



God is still on the throne

Revelation 4:3 - And He who sat there was like a **jasper** and a **sardius** stone in appearance; and there was a rainbow around the throne, in appearance like an emerald.

BRILLIANT LIKE GEM STONES

Exodus 28:15 - "You shall make the breastplate of judgment.

17- "And you shall put settings of stones in it, four rows of stones: The first row shall be a **sardius**,

20 - "and the fourth row, a beryl, an onyx, and a **jasper**.

21 - "And the stones shall have the names of the sons of Israel, twelve according to their names, like the engravings of a signet, each one with its own name; they shall be according to the twelve tribes.



Sardius
Reuben



Topaz
Simeon



Emerald
Levi



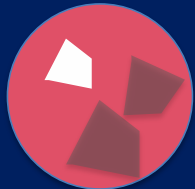
Turquoise
Judah



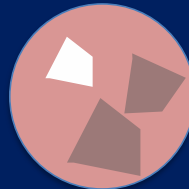
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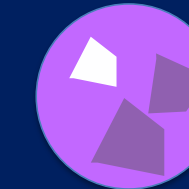
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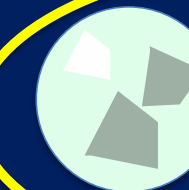
Amethyst
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Beryl
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Joseph



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1. Reuben

2. Simeon

3. Levi

4. Judah

5. Dan

6. Naphtali

7. Gad

8. Asher

9. Issachar

10. Zebulun

11. Joseph

12. Benjamin. “Son of my right hand”

“Behold a Son”

“Son of my right hand”

Revelation 4:3 - And He who sat there was like a jasper and a sardius stone in appearance; and there was a **rainbow around the throne**, in appearance like an emerald.

RAINBOW

A rainbow speaks of God who keeps his promises.

Noah saw rainbow after judgement.
Ezekiel saw a rainbow before judgement
John saw a rainbow before judgement.

A rainbow in full circle



Revelation 4:4 Around the throne were twenty-four thrones, and on the thrones I saw **twenty-four elders** sitting, clothed in white robes; and they had crowns of gold on their heads.

24 ELDERS

An Elders Conference

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- Resurrected bodies
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**24 elders represent
the Church in heaven.**

Raptured
Resurrected
Reigning
Redeemed
Rewarded

Revelation 4:5 - And from the throne proceeded **lightnings, thunderings, and voices**. Seven lamps of fire were burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God.

Lightnings, thundering and Voices

Exodus 19:16 - Then it came to pass on the third day, in the morning, that there were **thunderings and lightnings**, and a thick cloud on the mountain; and the sound of the trumpet was very loud, so that all the people who were in the camp trembled.



Throne of Grace is now a Throne of Judgment.



Judgment is coming
but the church is already home!

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Seven lamps of fire.

SYMBOL



Seven Spirits of God.

REALITY



Revelation 4:6 - Before the throne there was a **sea of glass**, like crystal.



SEA OF GLASS

Isaiah 57:20 - But the wicked are like the troubled sea, when it cannot rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt.

God's purpose is fixed. It is set. It is solid.

FOUR LIVING CREATURES

Lion, Calf, Man, Eagle

Revelation 4:6 - Before the throne there was a sea of glass, like crystal. And in the midst of the throne, and around the throne, were **four living creatures** full of eyes in front and in back.

7 - The first living creature was like a lion, the second living creature like a calf, the third living creature had a face like a man, and the fourth living creature was like a flying eagle.

8 - The four living creatures, each having six wings, were full of eyes around and within. And they do not rest day or night, saying: "Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, Who was and is and is to come!"

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Ezekiel 1:5 - ...the likeness of **four living creatures**.

10- As for the likeness of their faces, each had the face of a **man**; each of the four had the face of a **lion** on the right side, each of the four had the face of an **ox** on the left side, and each of the four had the face of an **eagle**.

Ezekiel 10:8 - The cherubim

14 - Each one had four faces: the first face was the face of a **cherub**, the second face the face of a **man**, the third the face of a **lion**, and the fourth the face of an **eagle**.

The four living creatures are representative all of God's creation that brings glory to him

LORD JESUS IN THE 4 GOSPELS

Matthew: Christ as the King

A lion: *“Behold your king”*

Mark: Christ as Servant

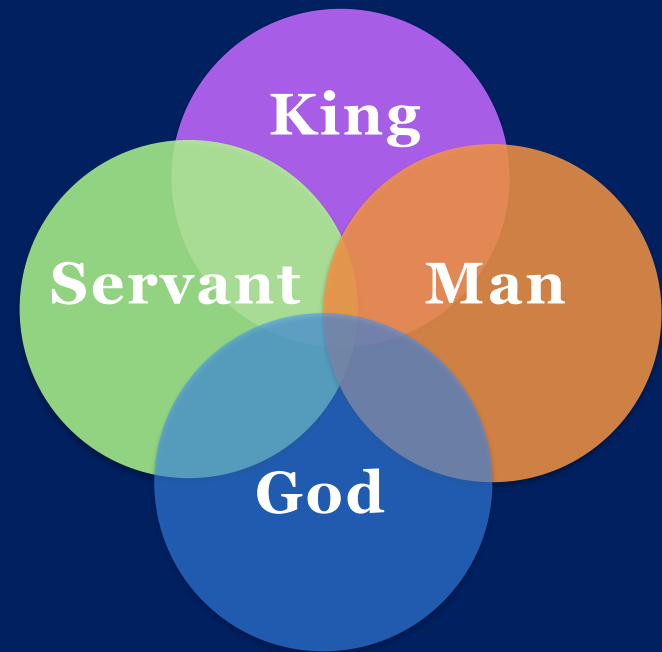
An Ox: *“Behold My servant”*

Luke: Christ as Man

A man: *Behold the man*“

John: Christ as God

A flying eagle: *“Behold your God”*



WORSHIP THE GREAT CREATOR

Before the throne

Revelation 4:9 - Whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to Him who sits on the throne, who lives forever and ever,

10- the twenty-four elders fall down before Him who sits on the throne and worship Him who lives forever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying:

11 - "**You are worthy, O Lord**, To receive glory and honor and power; **For You created all things**, And by Your will they exist and were created."

CHAPTER 5

Revelation 5:1 - And I saw in the right hand of Him who sat on the throne a scroll written inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals.

7 SEALED SCROLL

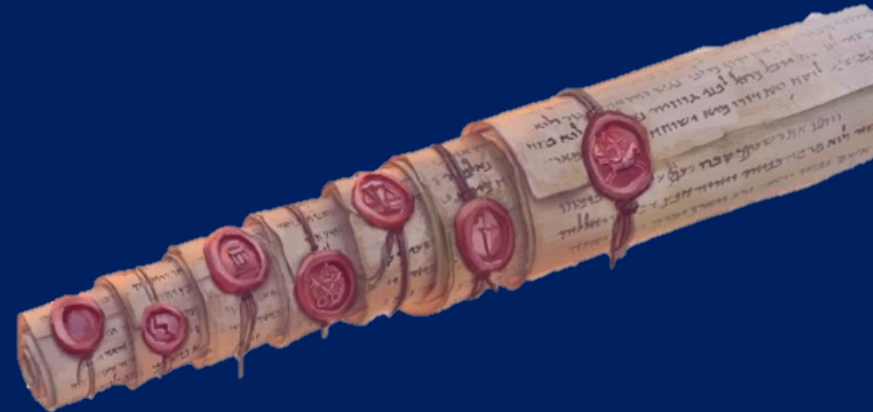
This scene sets the foundation for the rest of the book



What is the scroll all about?

The scroll reveals that the One who sits on the throne is offering the title deed to own and control the earth.

The scroll is the title deed of the earth



Revelation 5:2 - Then I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and to loose its seals?"

3 - And no one in heaven or on the earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll, or to look at it.

Who is worthy?

No one is worthy.

Revelation 5:4 - So I wept much, because no one was found worthy to open and read the scroll, or to look at it.

Why is John weeping?

According to the Law, the kinsman Redeemer must be willing and able to pay the price of purchase.

John weeps because it seems as if the earth will be staying in the control of Satan.

Revelation 5:5 - 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."

Lion of Tribe of Judah, Root of David

The kingly ruler of Israel, the Messiah would come from the tribe of Judah.

Revelation 22:16 I am the root and the offspring of David,

Root of David - Deity

Offspring of David - Humanity

- God became Man

Revelation 5:6 - And I looked, and behold, in the midst of the throne and of the four living creatures, and in the midst of the elders, **stood a Lamb** as though it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent out into all the earth.

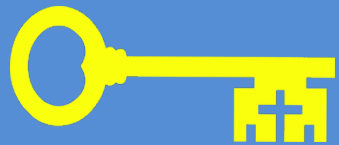
A Lamb

This little lamb — was a sacrificial lamb.
Lamb is standing

Revelation 5:7 - Then He came and took the scroll out of the right hand of Him who sat on the throne.

He has prevailed. He has conquered.

The Lamb takes the scroll



The central moment in Revelation

Revelation 5:8 - Now when He had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders **fell down** before the Lamb, each having a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints.

Prayers of the saints

“THY KINGDOM COME. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.”

Revelation 5:11 - Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels around the throne, the living creatures, and the elders; and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands,

12 - saying with a loud voice: "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom, and strength and honor and glory and blessing!"

13 - And 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: "Blessing and honor and glory and power be to Him who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb, forever and ever!"

Revelation 4:11 - "**You are worthy, O Lord**, To receive glory and honor and power; for You created all things, and by Your will they exist and were created."

Revelation 5:12 - saying with a loud voice: "**Worthy is the Lamb who was slain** To receive power and riches and wisdom, And strength and honor and glory and blessing!"

Rev 4:11 - God is worthy

Rev 5:12 - The Lamb is worthy

4: Creator

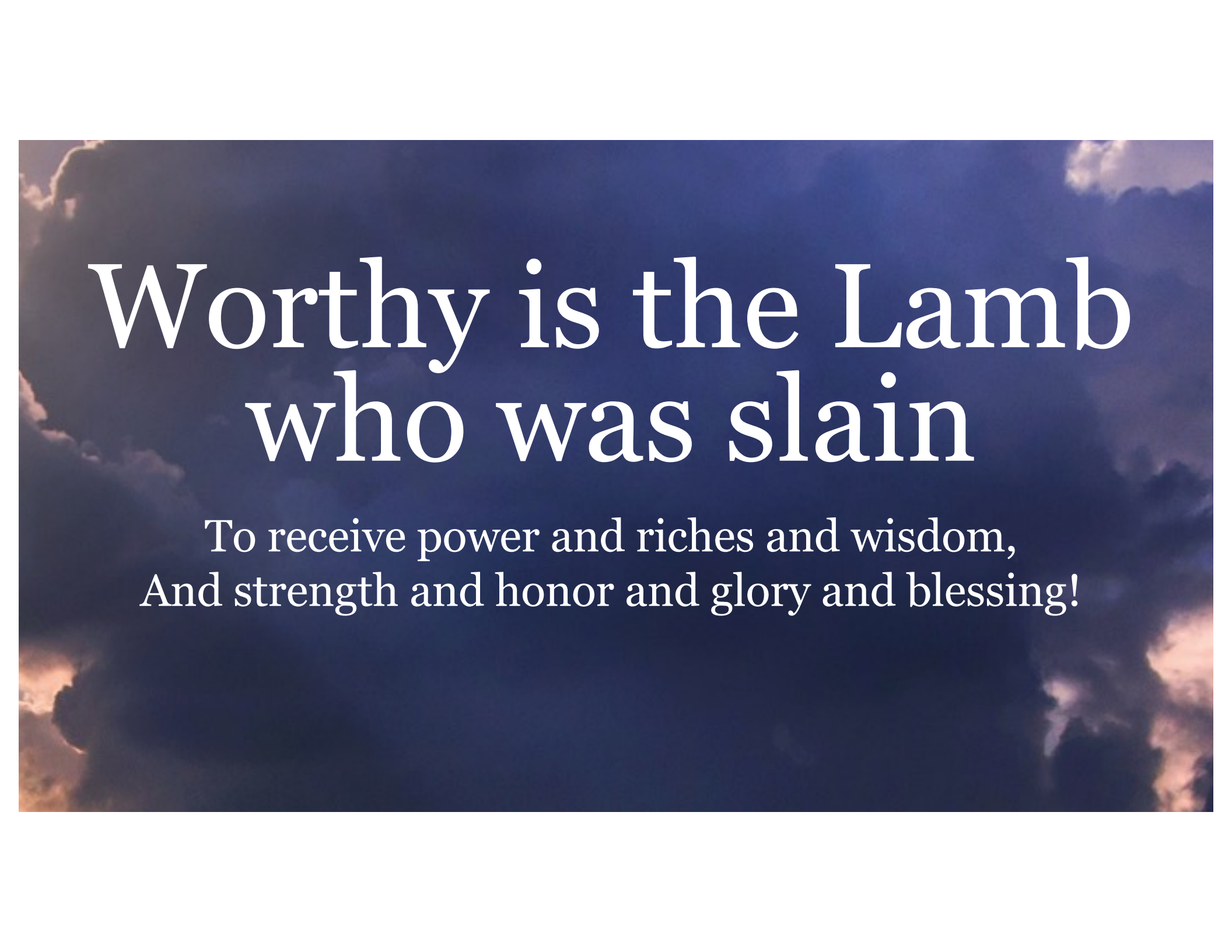
“You are worthy, O Lord...
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5: Redeemer

“Worthy is the Lamb who was slain”

“We will not have this man to reign over us”
The Earth Dwellers won't give up their home.





Worthy is the Lamb who was slain

To receive power and riches and wisdom,
And strength and honor and glory and blessing!