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REVELATION 5 (PART I) THE BEAUTY AND WORTHINESS

OF JESUS AS THE ULTIMATE LEADER



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Why did Apostle John weep uncontrollably when no one was found worthy to open the scroll and to loose its seals (Rev. 5:2-4)? Shouldn't he be glad since the seals contain all the End-Time judgments that will be released upon the earth?

No, not at all!

Because the scroll is the title deed of the earth and it contains the perfect plan and destiny of God for mankind and the earth. Whoever takes the scroll will be the ultimate leader over mankind and the earth in the Millennial Kingdom and in eternity!

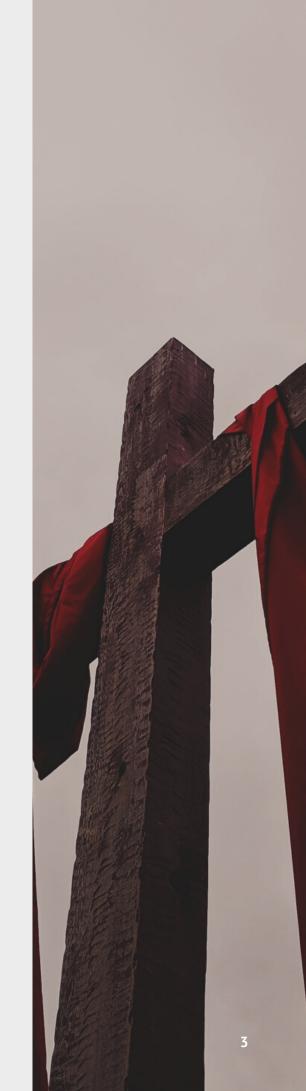
Revelation 5:5-7 tells us there is only one Man found worthy. Yes, only one!

He is none other than Jesus, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Lamb who was slain.

The fact that there was no other man found worthy magnifies the beauty of Jesus as the Ultimate Leader!

The one who takes the scroll has to be a man because God has promised dominion of the earth to man. And he has to be one who has overcome and prevailed. Jesus overcame sin, and darkness Satan through His humility and obedience. took on flesh, He making Himself of no reputation, and He was obedient to the point of death, even death on the cross (Phil. 2:7-8). Hence, He alone is worthy!

There are **three core themes** in Revelation 5:



1. THE BEAUTY AND WORTHINESS OF JESUS AS THE ULTIMATE LEADER OVER MANKIND AND THE EARTH (REV. 5:1-7).

What does it mean when we say that Jesus is worthy? When we do so, we are saying that:

- a. Jesus deserves to be Ultimate Leader over the earth He is the Son of God, yet He humbled Himself and took on flesh. He lived blamelessly on the earth and paid the price with His life to redeem our lives.
- b. Jesus is worth it Jesus is worth it for us to give our all. Even if it means that we have to endure and suffer, even unto the point of death, He is worth it.
- c. Jesus is Capable Jesus is full of wisdom, anointing and authority to administer all of God's plans and to establish His kingdom here on earth.
- d. **Jesus is Just** All of His judgments are just and true and we need to fully agree with them.





There are **three reasons** why we need to know Revelation 5.

1. Revelation 5 tells us clearly who is the Person who will release the great End-Time judgments (Rev. 5:1-7).

Revelation 6:1 tells us that **Jesus is the**One who opens the seals (Rev. 6:1,3,5,7,9,12; 8:1). God wants us to know this so that we will not resist Him, but will seek to understand His heart and partner with Him to release His End-Time plans through prayer.



2. Revelation 5 gives us an understanding of God's heart concerning End-Time Judgments.

Contained within the seven seals are the End-Time judgments of God, including the seven trumpets and the seven bowls. The seven trumpets are released upon the opening of the seventh seal. Similarly, the sounding of the seventh trumpet will initiate the release of the seven bowls.

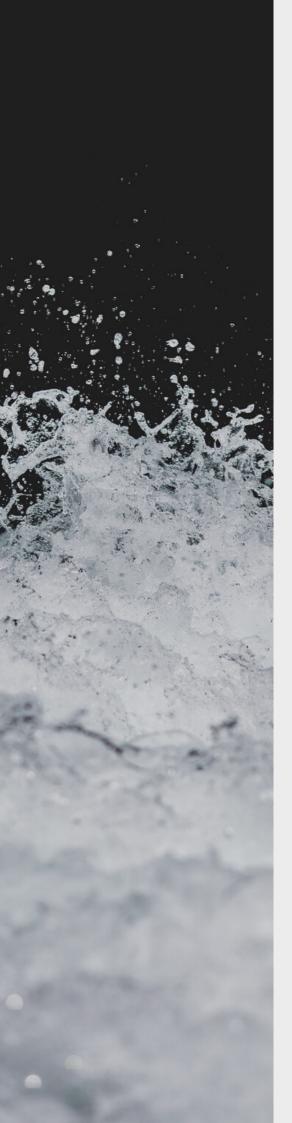


As the people of God, we need to understand why God releases judgments and why His judgments are so "severe". If we do not have an understanding of Jesus' heart, we will end up resisting Him and being offended with Him.

We need to first ask ourselves — **How does God** remove sin and evil from the earth?

God does so through His judgments. This could be difficult for many of us to accept because by and large, the modern Church lacks the understanding of the theology of a loving God who will release judgment.

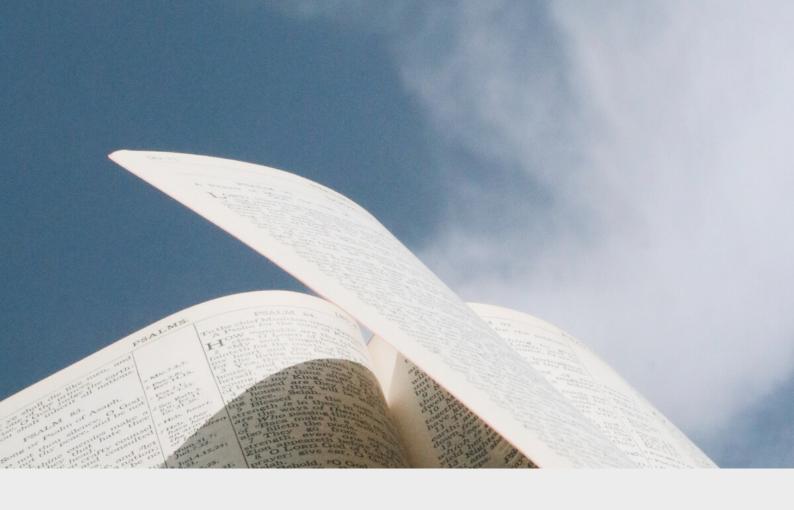
We have to understand what judgment is — Judgment is actually the grace of God, He judges because He loves us.



Judgment is God removing everything that hinders love. He uses the least severe means of judgment to bring forth the deepest level of love in the greatest number of people, without violating free will.

When God sends shakings and judgments, He surfaces what is really deep in our hearts. Some will remember God, repent and return to Him. For some who have cultivated their devotion to Jesus, their love for Him will even grow stronger and burn hotter. Yet there will be many who become offended with God, turn away from Him and even turn against Him.

Judgment of God will bring forth a distinct separation between the sincere and the rebellious, between those who love Him and those who do not.



3. Revelation 5 gives us the main prayer agenda for the End-Time prayer movement (Rev. 5:9-14).

Revelation 5 gives us the main prayer agenda that will prepare us to pray for the plans of God in Revelation 6 to 18. It tells us what we should pray, and how we should partner with God in releasing unprecedented power, glory and judgment, as well as the great End-Time harvest.

More to come in Part II of the study on Revelation 5. Meanwhile, having beheld the beauty and worthiness of Jesus as the ultimate leader of mankind, let us end with this thought:

Truly, there is only one Man found worthy.

May the Lamb that was slain, who alone is worthy, receive the reward that is worthy of His suffering!



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