

Sermon Questions

Revelation 5

This week we studied Revelation 5 and learned four characteristics or qualities of Jesus Christ that made Him the only One worthy to open the scroll. In the midst of the beauty and majesty of the throne, Jesus Christ is seen looking like a lamb standing as if slain. This amazing picture of our Lord demonstrates His love for us in purchasing us through His death on the cross. We also see the four living creatures and the 24 elders continuing to worship Him because He has purchased people from every tribe tongue and nation. All creation will ultimately understand that they were designed to give God our highest and best praise. As we live our lives we are encouraged to be prepared to worship Christ our King.

Here are some notes to review from this week's sermon...

Only Christ

Revelation 5

Only Christ is worthy and able to...

Reveal the future (1-4)

Redeem humanity (5-7)

Rule the universe (8-10)

Receive worship (11-14)

Hearing the Word of God and responding to Him is extremely important. If you haven't had the chance to listen to the message from this week you can now watch it here. After watching, please use the following questions (if you find them helpful) in your BRAVE groups (now online every weekday) or discuss them with your family and/or friends. If you are not in a BRAVE Group now is a great time to get involved. Please email to info@bravechurch.co and we will get you connected with a community that will work for you.

Questions

1. What does John see the One sitting on the throne holding in his right hand? What is the significance of the seven-sealed scroll?
2. What is a strong angel? What does he ask in a loud voice? Why is the angel looking for someone worthy to open the scroll? Is anyone found who is worthy to open the scroll? Why is not being able to open the scroll such a big deal?

3. Why does John weep when he learns that no one can open the scroll? How does John weep? Does he shed a few tears or is he uncontrollable and inconsolable? Why is John so disturbed? If Jesus Christ were not worthy, willing and able to open the scroll what challenges would you (we) face?
4. Why does one of the elders tell John to stop weeping? Who is the Lion of Judah (Genesis 49)? Who is the Root of David (Isaiah 11:1, Revelation 22:16)? How has this individual being described “overcome”? How does Jesus Christ fit this description?
5. How is the lamb described? What is the significance of the seven horns? What is the significance of the seven eyes? What does this tell you about His character and ability of the resurrected Christ?
6. How is it that a slain lamb is standing? How significant is Jesus Christ’s resurrection from the dead? When Jesus rose from the dead how visible were his scars (John 20:27)? Since we are going to be presented without spot or blemish (Ephesians 5:27, Jude 24-25) what may be the only scars we see in heaven? What does this tell you about the love of Christ?
7. What does Jesus Christ do when he emerges from the throne? What is the significance that Christ does not wait but immediately takes the scroll out of His Father’s hand?
8. How central is worship in heaven? What are some ways that people try to elevate their earthly experience in order to picture heaven? How does this fall short of the realities of heaven? Will we ultimately do anything other than worship?
9. What is the significance of the harp and bowls of incense? Does God receive our worship and praise? How important is worship and praise to our God?
10. What does it mean that we will reign with Christ? From which nations and people groups is Jesus Christ redeeming people? What is your picture of reigning with Christ on the earth with all the redeemed peoples?
11. Why are all the angelic beings constantly worshipping Christ? What does it mean that you were made to worship? What happens if you choose not to worship Christ? What is the problem with worshipping someone or something other than Christ? What challenges are presented when you seek being worshipped?
12. What is the significance of giving Jesus all power, riches, wisdom, might, honor, glory and blessing? How are we tempted seek these elements rather than praise God that they all belong to Him?
13. Who will ultimately give worship to the Lord Jesus Christ? How does Revelation 5:13-14 compare to Philippians 2:9-11? Why are these two Scriptures so

encouraging for the believer? Why do the four living creatures continue to say "Amen"? Why do the 24 elders continue to praise?

14. How has this message in Revelation 5 encouraged your worship? What will you begin to start doing, stop doing or start doing differently?