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A review of the recorded details John saw in his first vision of Jesus glorified and the throne room of Almighty God.

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and one sat on the throne.

Revelation 4:1

We have preached much of
Revelation 1, 4, and 5 before.

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“Throne” is used 18 times in these chapters.

I made very brief mention of this section of scripture on Sunday, and this review should help.

Given our limited time tonight,
and 45 verses in the chapters,
we will make brief comments.

The proof for the statements I will make is easily found in the links I have already provided.

John's vision is our vision – to see the glorious throne of God that transcends all in this world.

For those wishing I would preach
the whole book, compare it to
the last vision of Daniel.

The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him,
to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass;
and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John:

Revelation 1:1

Like at Pentecost, God gave it to Jesus to give to us.

All things could not occur immediately, but they could start.

The angel showed John the future with signs and symbols. **Crucial!**

Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein:
for the time is at hand.

Revelation 1:3

Revelation has a blessing for reading, hearing, obeying.

We obey warnings to the seven churches and about antichrist.

Pagan and papal Rome soon began persucting the remnant church.

John to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace be unto you,
and peace, from him which is, and which was, and which is to come;
and from the seven Spirits which are before his throne;

Revelation 1:4

Get hold of the number 7. It occurs 59 times!

Asia had more churches (like Colosse), but Jesus singled out 7.

God is one Spirit, the Holy Spirit, but divisible into 7 for the 7 churches.

Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him,
and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the
earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.

Revelation 1:7

The Second Coming starts and ends the book!

All people will see Him visibly, including the wicked Jews.

Whether Jews or Gentiles, the unsaved will all be very terrified.

I John, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.

Revelation 1:9

John and the seven churches were persecuted.

We will always be persecuted and more so as we obey.

John had been banished to an island in the Aegean, off our Turkey.

The Seven Churches of Revelation



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I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day,
and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet,
Revelation 1:10

If you want to know Jesus, you must be in the Spirit.

Why do we prepare as we do for Sundays? To be in the Spirit.

The fabulous description of glorified Jesus we have covered before.

The mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches: and the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches.

Revelation 1:20

A “mystery” like this in the Bible is truth revealed to us.

The seven stars are the seven pastors by the things said to them.

The seven candlesticks are the seven Spirits of God in the seven churches.

We have finished Revelation 1,
introducing the book and showing
us glorified Jesus the Son of God.

We now go through a door with
John into heaven – the greatest
thing you have ever done!

After this I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter.

Revelation 4:1

Nothing on earth can even come close to this!

The voice teaching John was Jesus Christ as in chapter 1.

Just as Revelation 1:1 told us, Jesus would now show John the future.

And immediately I was in the spirit:
and, behold, a throne was set in heaven,
and one sat on the throne.

Revelation 4:2

Neither John's nor your body is fit for heaven.

John now saw a throne and its place in heaven above.

And the throne was occupied – Almighty God Jehovah was on it.

And round about the throne were four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold.

Revelation 4:4

The church triumphant is seen as 24 elders.

The church of God of both testaments is next to Him (12+12).

He saw them in the righteousness of Christ and as overcoming kings.

The 24 soon sing clearly that they are the redeemed.

They will state they are out of all nations and people.

New Jerusalem has Jewish gates + apostle foundations.

The innumerable family of God from Abel to you is in 24.

And had a wall great and high, and had twelve gates,
and at the gates twelve angels, and names written thereon,
which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel:

And the wall of the city had twelve foundations,
and in them the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

Revelation 21:12-14

And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God.

Revelation 4:5

The audio and visual effect chosen is incredible.

Our God is Energy Personified with infinite glory and power.

Again, we see the Spirit of God with God as seven for His seven churches.

And before the throne there was a sea of glass like unto crystal:
and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne,
were four beasts full of eyes before and behind.

Revelation 4:6

This sea is like a moat, but elders and beasts are close.

The four beasts are in the throne of God and around the throne.

These four beasts had many eyes seeing both forward and backward.

The beasts sing with the 24 that they are the redeemed.

They are related to the 24, not angels, and lead worship.

Their many eyes fit learning, overseeing, and vigilance.

The Bible distinguishes between ministry and people.

Fathers in the faith understood them so (G,H,P,T).

And the first beast was like a lion, and the second beast like a calf,
and the third beast had a face as a man,
and the fourth beast was like a flying eagle.

Revelation 4:7

These four symbols, like the 24, are not literal animals.

Due to their confession of being redeemed, we see ministers.

The four beasts represent character traits of the ministers of Christ.

A lion in the Bible is bold and fearless as His preachers.

A calf or ox (Ezek 1:10) is for diligence and productivity.

A man shows gentle tenderness and a fitting teacher.

A flying eagle is for speed and for going up on high.

And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.

Revelation 4:8

The beasts (ministers) have six wings to get to their work.

They are full of eyes to see, examine, oversee, and be vigilant.

They are fully committed to constant worship of the thrice-holy God.

And when those beasts give glory and honour and thanks to him
that sat on the throne, who liveth for ever and ever,

Revelation 4:9

There is a result when the beasts (ministers) worship.

The result comes next when the 24 elders fall down to worship.

So they operate together, but the beasts are in the throne and lead.

The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying,

Revelation 4:10

This is the result of the four beasts leading worship.

The four beasts lead by giving God glory, honor, and thanks.

The 24 elders (the church) fall down humbly to worship God only.

Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power:
for thou hast created all things, and for thy
pleasure they are and were created.

Revelation 4:11

Here is that verse we love – now in its context.

God created all things for Himself and His pleasure. Amen!

This sovereign dominion over all creatures should provoke our praise.

Why did God create you?

For His pleasure.

Why did God save you?

For you to know Him.

If you humbly believe this vision,
it should change your life,
and fill you with joy.

But there is something missing!

There is someone missing!

There is no Lamb in chapter 4!

We do not want chapter 4
without chapter 5!

Chapter 4 is **God** in glory!

Chapter 5 is **Christ** in glory!

And I saw in the right hand of him that sat on the throne
a book written within and on the backside,
sealed with seven seals.

Revelation 5:1

Almighty God has a book in His hand.

It is so full of matter that it covers both inside and outside.

By the need for Jesus and a salvation song, it is the everlasting covenant.

And no man in heaven, nor in earth, neither under the earth,
was able to open the book, neither to look thereon.

Revelation 5:3

Any salvation plan involving man is wrong.

From African witchdoctors to Catholic popes, are all vain.

We need the one Man of God's own choosing – Jesus the Son of God.

And one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not:
behold, the Lion of the tribe of Juda, the Root of David, hath
prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof.

Revelation 5:5

The true church has the answer.

Jesus is Lion of the kingly tribe for fearless victory.

Jesus sprang from David's roots as the promised Jewish Messiah.

And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth.

Revelation 5:6

We see the Lamb of God after His ascension.

Angels are ignored – Jesus is in the midst of the 4 and 24!

Seven horns (authority/power) and eyes (overseeing) are the Holy Spirit.

And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints.

Revelation 5:8

Let this church always keep Christ preeminent.

The angels are kept distinct from the four beasts and elders.

It is prayers of saints, our worship of Christ, that the church presents.

And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;

Revelation 5:9

The plural pronouns are beasts and elders.

Beasts and elders represent sons of Gods by redemption.

It is a new song – for our Redeemer had put the covenant into force.

And hast made us unto our God kings and priests:
and we shall reign on the earth.

Revelation 5:10

We are right up next to God in roles.

Any child of God can boldly approach God on His throne.

We shall judge the world and angels and be on white horses like Jesus.

And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne and the beasts and the elders: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands;

Revelation 5:11

Where are the angels? Around and outside us!

A hundred million and more is also called innumerable angels.

They also praise the Lamb, for He is their Lord, but not their Redeemer.

Saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.

Revelation 5:12

The angels worship the Son of God as ordered.

Never forget our little church is connected to these millions.

God exalted Jesus this high ... they are moved by His great wisdom.

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, heard I saying, Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, be unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever.

Revelation 5:13

Here is the third choir worshipping.

Throughout scripture irrational and inanimate give praise.

Recall what Jesus will do soon ... deliver the creation from corruption.

And the four beasts said, Amen.
And the four and twenty elders fell down
and worshipped him that liveth for ever and ever.

Revelation 5:14

The beasts (ministers) lead again in worship.

Let us have this humility and reverent worship God now.

The eternal God is our refuge and underneath are everlasting arms!

What a Picture of our Lord's Coronation in Heaven!

- This is the arrival of Jesus in heaven to begin reigning for and with us.
- Why did God create you? For His pleasure as we sing (Revelation 4:11).
- Why did He save you? For you to know Him (John 17:1-3; I John 1:3; 5:20).
- A vision of God like this should affect you e.g. Moses, Isaiah, John, etc.
- Let us stand in awe of Him, delight in Him, and answer His call to serve.
- Let us always copy the beasts and elders by exalting God and the Lamb.
- There are sermons detailing these chapters and about God and Christ.
- Faith in God and His Son will overcome this corrupt, confused world.

For Further Study about God and Jesus in Heaven

Revelation 1 (Kings and Priests) ... <https://letgodbettrue.com/sermons/index/year-2012/kings-and-priests/>

Revelation 4 (God in Glory) ... <https://letgodbettrue.com/sermons/index/year-2014/god-in-glory/>

Revelation 5 (Christ in Glory) ... <https://letgodbettrue.com/sermons/index/year-2014/christ-in-glory/>

Glory to God Forever (Eph 3:20-21) ... <https://letgodbettrue.com/sermons/index/year-2022/glory-to-god-forever-1/>

Glory of God in Salvation (I Cor 1:29-31) ... <https://letgodbettrue.com/sermons/index/year-2020/glory-of-god-in-salvation/>

He Ascended Up on High (slides) ... <https://letgodbettrue.com/sermons/index/year-2016/he-ascended-up-on-high/>

Coronation of Jesus Christ ... <https://letgodbettrue.com/sermons/index/year-2007/coronation-of-jesus-christ/>

Jesus the Son of David ... <https://letgodbettrue.com/sermons/index/year-2009/jesus-the-son-of-david/>

Jesus the Son of God (Psalm 2) ... <https://letgodbettrue.com/sermons/index/year-2020/jesus-the-son-of-god-1/>

The Angels of God ... <https://letgodbettrue.com/sermons/index/year-2015/the-angels-of-god/>

The Book of Life ... <https://letgodbettrue.com/sermons/index/year-2001/book-of-life/>

Knowing God (His Attributes) ... <https://letgodbettrue.com/sermons/index/year-2012/knowing-god/>