

SESSION 3 DISCUSSION GUIDE

GOD'S THRONE ROOM

Summary - Revelation 4-5 (18 minutes)

In God's throne room is the throne, with cherubim, and then twenty-four smaller thrones around that, with twenty-four elders dressed in white with crowns on their heads (Revelation 4:1-8, 10-11).

God the Father is seated on the throne, and has in his hand a scroll with seven seals in which only the Lamb could open it (Revelation 5:1-7).

Discussion Questions - After discussing what you learned from the teaching, use the following questions to have further conversation.

- 1. Every time there is a glimpse of heaven in the Bible, worship is happening! What are we actually doing when we worship God? Why is God worthy of your worship right now, no matter what is happening?
- 2. As the twenty-four elders symbolically represent us, describe how the Lamb was described? We know it's Jesus, but how does this description remind us of how worthy of our worship He is?

THE SEVEN SEALS, THE 144,000, AND THE GREAT MULTITUDE

Summary - Revelation 6 (20 minutes)

In Revelation 6, the Seven Seals are opened by the Lamb, thus starting the Tribulation. It begins famously with the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse, and subsequently the remaining seals are opened:

- ° Seal #1 The White Horse The Antichrist
- ° Seal #2 The Red Horse War
- ° Seal #3 The Black Horse Famine
- Seal #4 The Pale Horse Death (by sword, famine, plague, wild beasts)
- ° Seal #5 Souls in Heaven/Martyrdom
- ° Seal #6 Six Rapid-fire Disasters
- ° —Interlude: The 144,000 and the Great Multitude
- Seal #7 (Next Week)
- In Revelation 7, we learn about the 144,000 Jewish evangelists, and the great Gentile multitude saved during the Tribulation.

Discussion Questions

- 1. Which of the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse would concern you the most? Why?
- 2. "Does a pandemic mean the end times are upon us?" After this week's study, if someone asked you that question, how would you respond?
- 3. What does it say about God that even during the great Tribulation, people can still be saved, such as the great Gentile multitude in Revelation 7?
- 4. What is your primary takeaway from this week's class? Who does God want you to start a conversation with this week about Jesus?

Homework: Before the next class, be sure to prepare by reading chapters 8-10.

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