

I. Introduction: This chapter demonstrates why Jesus is the only one worthy to rule and reign over the Earth, because He alone is the perfect sacrifice for sinners.

- A. The word “great” is used 84 times in the book of Revelation, because everything is on a large scale. Every event is massive, amazing, intense, huge, and incredible

II. Who is Worthy? (Rev 5:1-14).

A. The Search for the Worthy One (vv. 1-3).

1. The scroll that was in God’s hand represents the title deed to the earth. The angel began the search to find the One who was worthy to take the scroll and to open it.

B. The Sadness over the Worthy One (vv. 4-5).

1. John was depressed because no one was able to take the scroll or even look at it. No one was worthy to rule over the earth, nor were they close to being worthy.

C. The Selection of the Worthy One (vv. 5-7).

1. In the middle of the throne and the four living creatures, a lamb appeared from the tribe of Judah. He came and took the scroll, because He was worthy to reign.

D. The Song of the Worthy One (vv. 8-14).

1. Those who have been anticipating this moment break out in praise, because Jesus has finally been given the authority to judge the earth, and start His kingdom.

III. Conclusion: Jesus will return to destroy Satan and his Anti-Christ, setting up His own kingdom and ruling and reigning from Jerusalem as the King of Kings (Psalm 2).

Questions About: Who Is Worthy?

1. Have you ever been waiting for something? What were you anticipating? Getting married? Having a child? Starting a new career? Beginning a new chapter in life?
2. What was the scroll that was in the hand of God? **(Rev 5:1-3)** What was its significance? **(Ps 2:8)** Why do you think there was no one on the earth that was worthy to open it?
3. Why did John start crying when he heard this? **(Rev 5:4-5)** Why did the angel tell John to stop crying? How did he describe Jesus? How is Jesus like a lion? The root of David?
4. What did John see when he looked? **(Rev 5:5-7)** What was the significance of the death marks on the Lamb? Why did the Lamb have seven horns? Why did He have seven eyes?
5. What was the response of the four living creatures and the elders? **(Rev 5:8-10)** How are our prayers received by God? **(v. 8)** Do you realize that this is how God sees your prayers?
6. What was the reason they sang a new song? **(Rev 5:9-10)** Why did they say Jesus was worthy to take the scroll? How are Christians a “kingdom and priests” to God? **(v. 10)**
7. Who joined in the praise of Jesus after the first song? **(Rev 5:11-14)** Who were these myriads of people? What did they say about why Jesus was worthy? **(v. 12)**
8. How do you determine whether someone or something is worthy of your time, talents, or money? Is Jesus worthy of your worship? Why is He worthy to you?

Prayer

1. Will you pray and ask God to reveal to you how Jesus is worthy of your praise?
2. Will you pray that you might help lead others to stand in awe of Jesus also?