**THE REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST**

(who is and who was and who is to come)

**LESSON 5 – The Throne Room of Heaven**

**(Revelation 4:1-11)**

**EXTRA INFO:** Chapter 4 introduces the third major section of the book of Revelation, following the divinely inspired outline of 1:19: *the things that you have seen* (chapter 1), *the things which are* (chapters 2-3), *and the things which will take place after this* (chapters 4-22). Beginning here, the revelation has to do with the consummation of this age. Chapters 4 and 5 are the introduction and background for the tremendous sweep of future prophetic events predicted in the rest of the book. (From John Walvoord in his book Revelation)

**DAY ONE** **-** Read Revelation 4:1 (*After These Things*)

1. List a few of the things that stood out to you that John had already *seen* and heard about in chapters 1-3.

*Answer here*

2. Then, *after these things*, what was the first astonishing (*behold*) thing he saw in Revelation 4:1?

*Answer here*

3. How does this voice in Revelation 4:1 resemble the first voice John heard in Revelation 1:10?

*Answer here*

4. Identify this *voice* with a description that stands out to you from Revelation 1.

*Answer here*

5. What incredible command and personal invitation came from this *voice* to John at the end of Revelation 4:1?

*Answer here*

**DAYS TWO & THREE -** Read Revelation 4:2-5 (*Behold… Heaven*)

1. What happened *immediately* to John and what did he see in verse 2?

*Answer here*

2. How did John describe the *One* who *sat on the throne* in verse 3a?

*Answer here*

3. What was *around* that *throne* in verse 3b?

*Answer here*

4. How did Ezekiel 1:28 describe the colors he saw surrounding God’s throne?

*Answer here*

5. How did God’s original rainbow portray His faithfulness to His Word and to all of his promises in Genesis 9:13-17?

*Answer here*

6. What else was around that *throne* in Revelation 4:4a?

*Answer here*

7. a. Who sat on those *thrones* and what were they wearing in Revelation 4:4b?

*Answer here*

b. Do a **Word Search** of the word *elders*. Also consider the following verses to help us understand who they were. (Acts 14:23 and 1 Timothy 5:17)

*Answer here*

8. a. How does 1 Peter 5:1-3 show that the *elders* who *shepherd the flock of God* will be rewarded in heaven?

*Answer here*

b. How does Revelation 5:9-10 show that these elders represent those who are the *redeemed* in heaven at this future point in time.

*Answer here*

9. **Challenge Question:** Does this mean that Israel as a nation has been redeemed along with the church at this time? Why or why not according to Romans 11:25?

*Answer here*

10. How does Revelation 4:5 describe this scene in heaven?

*Answer here*

**DAY FOUR** - Read Revelation 4:6-8 (*Before and Around the Throne*)

1. Describe what verse 6a says about what was *before the throne*?

*Answer here*

2. What does verse 6b say was *in the midst of the throne and around the throne*?

*Answer here*

3.What were each of these *living creatures like* according to verse 7?

*Answer here*

4. What does Revelation 4:8a add about their appearance?

*Answer here*

5. What does verse 8b tell us they said continuously, whether it was *day or night*?

*Answer here*

**DAY FIVE** - Read Revelation 4:9-11 (*You Are* *Worthy, O Lord*)

1. How did the *living creatures* continue toworship the Lord in verse 9?

*Answer here*

2. How are these creatures identified in Ezekiel 10:3 and 15 as an exalted order of angels? What are they called?

*Answer here*

3. What happened in Revelation 4:10, *whenever* *the living creatures gave glory and thanks to Him who sits on the throne, who lives forever and ever*?

*Answer here*

4. What did *the twenty-four elders* say about the Lord in verse 11a?

*Answer here*

5. Why was the Lord *worthy* in verse 11b?

*Answer here*

**DISCUSSION:** As our country is already obsessed about who is *worthy* to be the next President, why is no one truly *worthy* according to Romans 3:23? While we all should vote, what do we all need to know according to Daniel 4:17 and 25?

*Answer here*