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Worthy is the Lamb Revelation 5 Pastor Kirk Gambrell

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Using This Study

❶ EXAMINE His Word

What does God SAY? Open your time with prayer. The words God uses to communicate matters, so go back and pay close attention to the details that are emphasized or repeated in the passage.

❷ EXPLORE His Word

What does God MEAN? Asking questions of the text helps surface how the details relate to the message God wants to communicate.

❸ EMBRACE His Word

Why does it MATTER to me? Embrace God by responding to what you discover in His word in faith and obedience.



This week we will study the 5th chapter of the book of Revelation. Chapter 5 continues to describe the scene in the throne room of God. It starts with great mourning because no one can open the book that is sealed with seven seals. Then we see the Lamb that is the Lion of the tribe of Judah and He is worthy. He has purchased, with His blood, people of every nation. He is the Savior that all of Heaven falls down to worship. Join us this week as we seek to understand our worship as a means of declaring Jesus worthy.

THEN ONE OF THE ELDERS SAID TO
ME, "DO NOT WEEP! BEHOLD, THE
LION OF THE TRIBE OF JUDAH, THE
ROOT OF DAVID, HAS TRIUMPHED
TO OPEN THE SCROLL AND ITS
SEVEN SEALS."
- REVELATION 5:5

The Book with Seven Seals

5 I saw in the right hand of Him who sat on the throne a book written inside and on the back, sealed up with seven seals. **2** And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the book and to break its seals?" **3** And no one in heaven or on the earth or under the earth was able to open the book or to look into it. **4** Then I *began* to weep greatly because no one was found worthy to open the book or to look into it; **5** and one of the elders *said to me, "Stop weeping; behold, the Lion that is from the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has overcome so as to open the book and its seven seals."

6 And I saw between the throne (with the four living creatures) and the elders a Lamb standing, as if slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God, sent out into all the earth. **7** And He came and took the book out of the right hand of Him who sat on the throne. **8** When He had taken the book, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each one holding a harp and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. **9** And they *sang a new song, saying,

"Worthy are You to take the book and to break its seals; for You were slain, and purchased for God with Your blood *men* from every tribe and tongue and people and nation.

10 "You have made them *to be* a kingdom and priests to our God; and they will reign upon the earth."

Angels Exalt the Lamb

11 Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels around the throne and the living creatures and the elders; and the number of them was myriads of myriads, and thousands of thousands, **12** saying with a loud voice,

"Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing."

13 And every created thing which is in heaven and on the earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all things in them, I heard saying,

"To Him who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb, *be* blessing and honor and glory and dominion forever and ever."

14 And the four living creatures kept saying, "Amen." And the elders fell down and worshiped.

o EXAMINE His Word (Observation) (For personal preparation)

What does God SAY? Prayerfully note significant details from this passage.

Make 10 of your own observations from this passage. Avoid jumping to make interpretive decisions or drawing applications. Save those for the sections that follow. At this point just observe this passage and what it says. Look for things that are emphasized, repeated, and what stands out to you. Look at the verbs, what actions are in the text? Who is involved in the text? There is no right or wrong answer, just list 10 things you see in the text.

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2 EXPLORE His Word (Interpretation) (For Community Group discussion)
What does God MEAN?

1. What is the book with seven seals?
2. Why is no one able to open the book in the first 4 verses?
3. Why is it important for the book to be opened?
4. Who is the Lamb and why is He described as a Lamb?
5. Why is the Lamb able to open the book?
6. Why is the Lamb worshiped?
7. Who worshiped the Lamb?

Summarize your thoughts on the passage

Write about what God wants you to KNOW, to FEEL, and to DO...

Sermon Notes