



Revelation 5:1-14 / The Worthiness of The Lamb

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Easy warm-up question

1. When did God become more than a word to you?

Thinking through the text

5:1-2

1. What does being worthy have to do with opening the scroll?

5:3-4

- 1. Why does John weep?
- 2. Why does the lack of a worthy person produce such grief?

<u>5:5</u>

- 1. What does it mean that Jesus is "the Lion of Judah, the Root of David"? (HINT: also take a look at Genesis 49:9,10 and Isaiah 11:1-11)
- 2. What is it about Jesus that makes Him worthy to open the scroll?

5:6,7

- 1. Why might the appearance of the Lamb be surprising?
- What are three characteristics to the Lamb that John identifies? (NOTE: there are more than 3)
- 3. Why are each important (especially to you personally)?

<u>5:8-10</u>

1. What is the reason the elders and creatures fall down before the Lamb? (HINT: consider what they declare about Jesus' worthiness in their song)

5:11-14

- 1. What is Jesus worthy to receive?
- 2. What does it mean for you personally that Jesus is worthy of each of these?

Processing all that...

- 1. In chapter 5, what stands out to you as especially significant about Jesus? Why?
- These days, how might having these revealed truths about Jesus change the way you live each day?
- 3. In the day-to-day of your life, what practical steps might you take to keep these truths in the forefront of you awareness?
- 4. These days, how are you doing at personally worshiping Jesus? What does that look like for you?
- 5. What will change in your life as a result of this study?

Homework (suggestions for going farther)

- 1. Use the expressions of worship in Revelation 4-5 (4:8; 4:11; 5:9,10; 5:12; 5:13.14) as a text for your own expression of worship. Thinking through the meaning of what is expressed, speak these words back to God as expressions of your own worship.
- 2. Read Psalms 148, 149, 150 (all, or one, or more these psalms) and note the attributes for which God is praised and the ways in which He is worshiped. What would this list look like if you were generating it from what God has done in your life? Consider, and act on, how you might respond in worship of God for who He is and for what He has done in your life.
- 3. This week, read Revelation 6:1-17.