

There's always more ...
... than meets the eye



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Is it really worth it?



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When hope & history ...
... just don't rhyme



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*I looked, and there before me was a door
standing open in heaven.*



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Revelation 4

*Come up here and I will show you what
must take place after this*



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Throne that is occupied by one with
CREATOR'S RIGHTS



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Revelation 4 & 5

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Rainbow:

- “Limited” by promise
- Grace



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Throne that is occupied by one with
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Other thrones:

- Humans living in the vision of creation



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Throne that is occupied by one with
CREATOR'S RIGHTS

Why judgment is a 'must':

- Everything is not centered around the throne



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Revelation 4 & 5

Then I saw in the right hand of him who sat on the throne a scroll with writing on both sides ...



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Revelation 5

*Then I saw in the right hand of him who sat
on the throne a scroll with writing on both
sides ...*



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Revelation 5

Then I saw in the right hand of him who sat on the throne a scroll with writing on both sides ...

“Will”



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You are worthy ... For you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being



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Throne occupied by one who is

IN CONTROL

5

Throne occupied by one with

A PLAN



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Then I saw in the right hand of him who sat on the throne a scroll with writing on both sides sealed with seven seals



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“Who is worthy to break the seals and open the scrolls?”



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But no one ... could open the scroll or even look inside it.



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I wept and wept because no one was found who was worthy to open the scroll or look inside it.



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Revelation 5

*Look! The Lion of the tribe of Judah, the
Root of David has triumphed!*



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*Look! The **Lion** of the tribe of Judah, the
Root of David has triumphed!
I looked, and I saw a **Lamb** ...*



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I looked, and I saw a Lamb ...

- *looking as if it had been slain*



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I looked, and I saw a Lamb ...

- *looking as if it had been slain*
- *standing at the center of the throne!*



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I looked, and I saw a Lamb ...

- *looking as if it had been slain*
- *standing at the center of the throne!*
- *with seven horns and seven eyes,
which are the seven spirits ...*



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*He went and took the scroll from the right
hand of him who sat on the throne*



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Revelation 5

And when he had taken it ... [everyone] fell down before the Lamb ... And they sang a new song: "You are worthy ..."



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Revelation 5

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Throne occupied by one in control

Sovereign Ruler with Creator's Rights

5

Throne occupied by one with a plan

Sovereign Saviour with Buyer's Rights



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Revelation 4 & 5

1) How the “must” of judgment can be avoided.



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1) How the “must” of judgment can be avoided.

I never have to ask,
“Is God judging me?”



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*He made us to be kingdom and priests to
serve our God, and they will reign forever
on earth*



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2) I can live as if I really am on a throne!

He made us to be kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign forever on earth



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