## **REVELATION SERIES - LESSON 10**

#### **REVELATION 4 & 5**

Chapters 4 & 5	describe	the	rapture.
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Chapters 4 - 5 deal with events in Heaven.

Chapters 6 - 18 deal with events on Earth.

Beginning in Ch 6 it is events orchestrated by God that will be happening in the world as a final wake up call.

It is my belief that church and christians will be taken before all the devastation comes upon the globe.

Vs 1 - John writes in that verse that there are different phrases that are a parallel of other verses that speak of the rapture.

Remember the evidences I gave you
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- 1) Absence of Church
- 2) "Open door in Heaven"
- 3) "Sound like a trumpet"
- 4) Invitation to "come up here"
- 5) Return of Saints with Christ

At this juncture, the Lord takes John into Heaven and John gives us a description of things going on in Heaven.

In Ch 4 - 5 these are sights and sounds in Heaven.

Vs 2 - "In the Spirit"

Throne = 15 times in chapters 4 & 5

He will use different prepositions (actually 5)

On the Throne

From the Throne

Around the Throne

Before the Throne

#### Out of the Throne

I'm going to use those prepositional phrases to walk you through this text and vision.

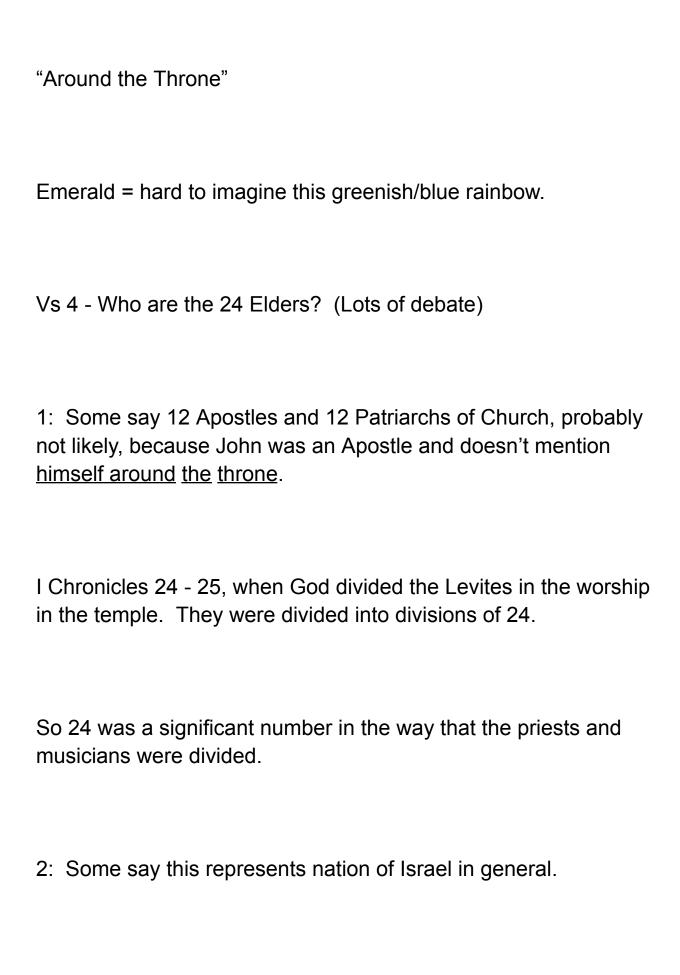
Vs 2 - "One sat on the throne" - it's not Jesus but it's actually God Almighty.

In Ch 5:5-6, Jesus will appear but this is "God Almighty".

Vs 8 - "4 living creatures" - are ascribing worship to the one who is on the throne.

In Hebrew it is "El-Shaddai" - One who is seated on the throne.

Vs 3 - Jasper = Reddish stone Sardius = Reddish stone as well.



3: I believe the 24 Elders represent the "Saints".

They are <u>seated</u> and they are all <u>wearing crowns</u>.

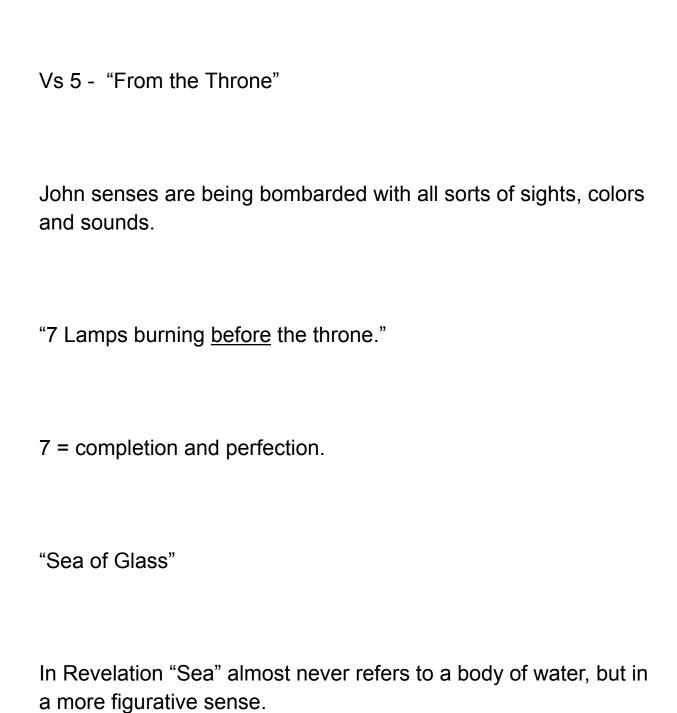
Crowns = "stephanos" - It's a Laurel Reef kind of crown.

But Jesus in Rev. 19:12, when it speaks of Jesus, He is wearing a crown.

The word "Crown" in that case is a "Diadem".

"Diadem" = "Royal Crown"

However, these 24 Elders Crowns = "Stephanos". It would be a crown like an athlete would receive.



It's like a Sea of Humanity.



Vs 6 - "4 Living Creatures" - "Full of eyes in front and back".

Vs 7 - Like a "Lion"

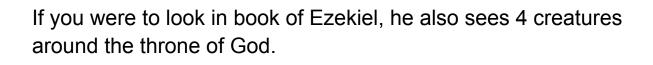
Like a "Calf"

Like a "Man"

Like a "Flying Eagle"

Vs 8 - The word "HOLY" is the only word used in triplet to describe the Lord.

What are these 4 Living Creatures?



Ezekiel 1:10 - He says they have:

Face of a man

Feet of a calf

Hands of a man

4 Faces

So these creatures have a face pointing in every direction, (North, South, East, West).

He describes these 4 faces as Man, Lion, Ox & Eagle.

It's actually very similar language to what John is saying about the creatures.

The only difference is in Ezekiel, they have <u>4 wings</u> and Rev they have <u>6 wings</u>.

In Ezekiel the description of these creatures is actually a reference to cherubim (Angelic Beings).

In Isaiah we are introduced to another order of Angelic Beings known as "Seraphim".

In Isaiah 11, the Seraphim do have 6 wings.

2 wings to cover eyes

2 wings to cover feet

### 2 wings they flew with

They are constantly moving and declaring HOLY, HOLY, is the Lord!

Vs 9

Vs 10 - 11

It's a spectacular scene of worship and adoration with God on the throne and all sorts of color and sound and angels, 24 elders bowing and casting crowns.

I believe this is what will be going on in Heaven while God unleashes all sorts of tribulation on earth.

Ch 5:1 - A scroll = Even though God is Spirit, there is some representation of a physical presence.

He describes a "Right Hand".
"Sealed with Seven Seals" - Ancient scroll rolled up and would put wax seals to keep it rolled up.
I believe the scroll is the title deed to the earth. Because God the Father is about to give title of earth to Jesus. So Jesus can do to the earth what He needs to do in order to wake up the final inhabitants one last opportunity.
Don't think because we are looking forward to the rapture, there will still be people saved during this time.
Vs 2 - One angel is asking this question?
Vs 3 - No one
Vs 4 -

Vs 5 - Who is the Lion of Tribe of Judah? Gen 49:9-10

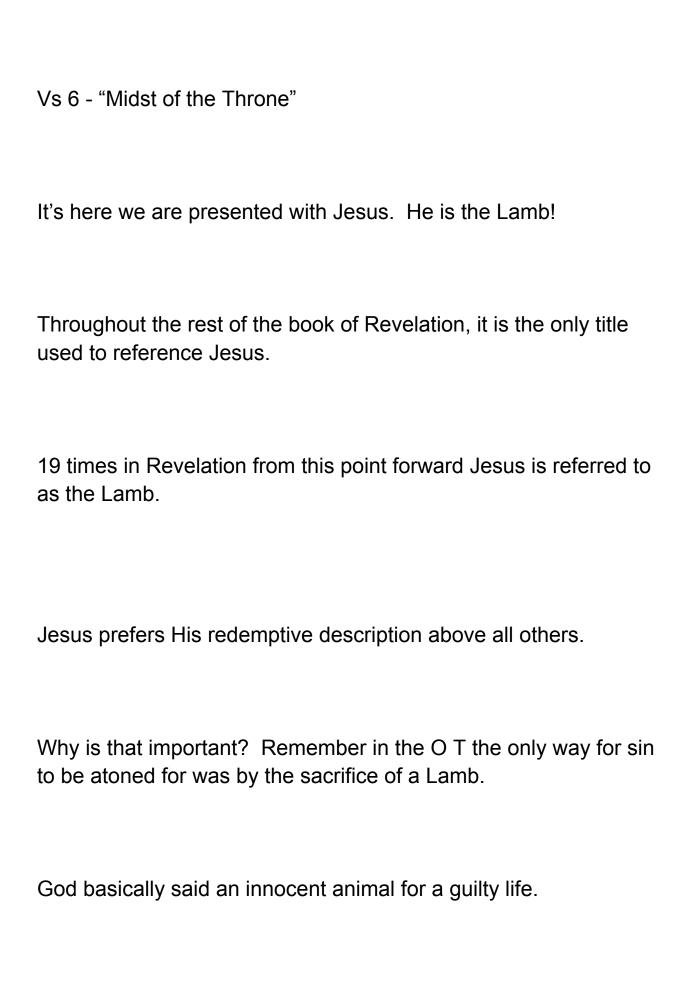
Here Jacob is blessing his sons and when he comes to Judah, he makes a prophecy. He basically says that Tribe of Judah is symbolized by a "Lion" and out of Judah will come one whom "scepter will never depart".

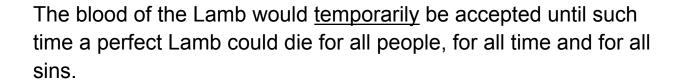
He is saying Jesus will come from tribe of Judah.

Also in Rev. 5:5 "Root of David".

Isaiah 11:10 - Jesse is the father of King David.

From the line of David and Jesse, one would come who the Gentiles would see.





That Lamb is Jesus!

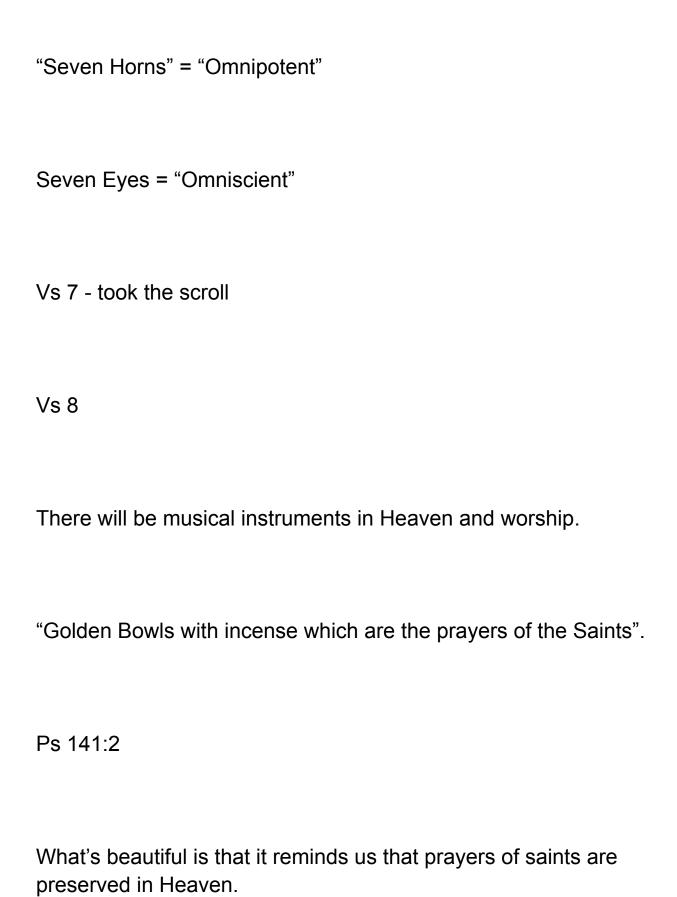
John said "Behold the Lamb of God who came to take away the sins of the world"

Paul will write to the Corinthians, He is our "PASSOVER LAMB".

So in all the titles He could have chose . . . He chose Lamb.

"Seven Eyes" = Describe perfect wisdom & knowledge.

"Seven Horns" = Picture of <u>Power</u> in O T.



They are held in Golden bowls with incense.

In O T Priest would lite the incense, the aroma would arise and it's picture of our prayers arising up to heaven.

Vs 9 - Tribe, tongue, people and nation.

Heaven is not going to only look like you. Diverse body of believers.

Vs 10 - When Jesus returns and establishes His kingdom, the Saints will rule and reign with Him.

VS 11 - In addition there are multitudes of angels.  $10k \times 10k = 100,000,000$ 

Vs 12 - 14 - Every creature = Animal's singing and praising Him.

# **EVEN SO COME LORD JESUS**