



## 2025 Focus: Committed to Executing the Word

### James 1:22

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## THE THRONE ROOM OF HEAVEN

### Revelation 4:5-11

**Verse 5(a) The Fearful Judgment of God:** Not the fury of nature, but the firestorm of righteous fury about to come from an Awesome, Powerful God upon a sinful world. A full-scale tropical thunderstorm can be a frightening thing. How much more fearsome are the convulsions that emit from the throne of God? When God gave His law to men at Mt. Sinai, the mountain blazed with fear [Exodus 19:16-18](#). It was so terrifying that Moses said I exceedingly fear – [Hebrews 12:21](#). The thundering and lightning proceeding from the throne remind us that God's judgment is something to be feared – [Hebrews 10:26-31](#).

**Verse 5(b) The Factual Judgment:** The seven spirits of God symbolize the Holy Spirit in His fullness. He will be there as the prosecuting attorney of the human race – [John 16:8-9](#), [Hebrews 10:29](#). The judgment will be factual for the omniscient spirit. There will be full knowledge of every thought, word, and deed of every man, woman, and child – [Ecclesiastes 12:14 NLT](#). He knows the time, the place, the act, the motive, the deed, the result, the influence, and the consequence of every sin of omission and every sin of commission. No false evidence will be introduced, nor will cross-examination be necessary – [2 Corinthians 5:10](#).

**Verse 6(a) The Final Judgment:** John Phillips describes the sea of glass as follows: There is nothing more fluctuating and changing than the sea. It symbolizes the wicked in their restlessness. The sea is never the same for a moment, even in its calm state. A sea of glass, however, suggests something no longer fluid, no longer capable of change. Glass is transparent and fixed. God's judgment will be transparent as crystal and will be fixed

beyond recall. There is no court of appeals from the verdicts of this throne, for this is the supreme court of the universe.

**Verse 6(b) It is Fundamental and Fatal Judgment:** The four living creatures are the cherubim, those angels frequently referred to in the Old Testament in connection with God's power, presence, and holiness. The cherubim were introduced in [Genesis 3:17-24](#) in connection with the expulsion of man from the garden. They are the highest of all created intelligences from whose ranks Satan fell.

Full of eyes in front and back – Although not omniscient – an attribute reserved for God alone. These angels have comprehensive knowledge and perception. Nothing escapes their scrutiny.

God's judgment is fatal. As we search through [Chapter 4](#), we find no mention of the Lamb (Jesus). How terrible is this throne where there is no Lamb to intervene?

**Verses 7-8** John was impressed by two things about the cherubim. He is impressed by the singularity of their form – like a lion, like a calf, like a man, and like a flying eagle. Matthew depicted Jesus as a lion of the Tribe of Judah. Mark depicted Jesus as a calf – [Mark 10:45](#), who gave his life as a ransom for many. Luke depicted Jesus as a man who shows the humanity of the Son of God. John depicts Jesus as an eagle. He is the one who descended from on high.

- Lion – symbolizes strength and power.
- Calf – symbolizes the ability to render humble service to God.
- Man – symbolizes that they are rational beings.
- Flying Eagle – The cherubim fulfill their service to God with the swiftness of eagles' wings.

**Verses 8-11 Full of Eyes:** Clear sight into all matters - they see the holiness of God.