

## WORSHIPING CHRIST, THE LAMB WHO IS WORTHY

Revelation 4-5

### Awareness

Before listening, reflect:

- What are your favorite genres of literature to read? Why?
- What is worship? Why do we do it?

With all the local and global news about turmoil and troubles in our world, it's easy to get discouraged. But as Christians, even in the darkest times, we can find encouragement in John's vision of heaven found in Revelation 4-5. At first glance, John's visions might seem scary or fantastical, but when we look more closely, our study reveals that John is painting a picture of heavenly worship. Join Groundwork as we uncover the comfort and assurance these visions provide for people of faith who believe in Jesus Christ.

**Listen:** [Worshiping Christ, the Lamb Who is Worthy](#)

### Reflection

After listening, consider:

- Have you ever been at a loss for words when you try to describe something you saw or experienced? What do you remember about how that felt? How does that help you relate to and understand John's effort to describe what he saw of heaven in [Revelation 4:1-11](#)?
- Reflect on, host Scott Hoezee's statement from segment 2, "I think, when we read [Revelation 4 and 5](#), we think that John is seeing the future; but it is pretty clear that he is seeing the worship in the throne room of God that is happening right now...when we worship God, we are participating in something that is already going on in heaven." What was your reaction to learning that John is seeing the worship in heaven happening now? What does it mean to you that when we worship we're also joining in and participating in the worship of heaven?
- As host Darrell Delaney describes what is occurring in [Revelation 5:11-14](#) he says, "They are thinking about what Christ has done, they are reminding each other all the time of what Christ is doing, and they actually worship. That is the appropriate response for those who remember who God is and what God has done; and all of creation is doing that." How does Darrell's insight impact your perspective on or understanding of your weekly worship?
- Are there situations in your life that seem hopeless to you? Remember, that like God came to John while he was exiled on Patmos, God can find you anywhere! Reread Scott's words from segment 3 to encourage yourself when you feel discouraged: "God is always in control...when we encounter difficult days and seasons of loss and tragedy; seasons when the powers that be in this world seem to be preeminent. We too, along with John, can remember: No; it is the Lamb on the throne. Right now; that is who is really in charge of the universe."

## Related Passages

- **Philippians 1:20-21**
- **John 11:25**
- **Ephesians 6:10-18**

## Conclusion

What battles in your life do you need to keep in perspective? Read [Ephesians 6:10-18](#). Which piece of spiritual armor could you put on to help you? Pray for the Holy Spirit to guide and help you. Ask the Holy Spirit to remind you that the Lamb is on the throne and that Christ has already won the victory. Then find a psalm, hymn, or worship song and join the heavenly beings in worship.

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