

A Vision of the Lamb, Part 3

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I. Introduction.

- A. Text: Revelation 5:8-14.
- B. It is possible that we are in the last days.

II. The heavenly scene.

- A. In the heavenly scene is the Lion of the Tribe of Judah who looks like a lamb.
- B. There are twenty-four elders with harps. (1 Chronicles 25:6)
 - 1. The harp is used for worship.
 - 2. It is also regularly associated with prophecies. (2 Kings 3, 1 Chronicles 25:1)
 - 3. There is anticipation for the final prophetic redemption here.
- C. Four living creatures give glory to God.
- D. The redeemed are singing. They are singing a new song about the worthiness of Jesus Christ and his ability to take back the universe.
- E. People from every culture had been redeemed in this heavenly scene. All believers will reign with Jesus. (1 Corinthians 6)
- F. All creation joins in worshipping God.

Application Questions:

- 1. What is John’s purpose for describing this heavenly scene?

- 2. What role should worship play in the everyday life of the believer in light of this heavenly picture?

- 3. Do you anticipate and look forward to heaven? How can we cultivate a heavenly hope within?
