

Journal Page



- What does this story teach me about God or the gospel?
- What does this story teach me about myself?
- Are there any commands in this story to obey? How are they for God's glory and my good?
- Are there any promises in this story to remember? How do they help me trust and love God?
- How does this story help me to live on mission better?

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- Why is Jesus worthy of all praise?
- What is your favorite way to worship Jesus?
- Why do you think it is important to worship with other believers?

Before the Throne

Revelation 4–5

STORY POINT: ALL PEOPLE AND CREATURES WILL WORSHIP JESUS.

John was on the island of Patmos when he had a vision. Jesus appeared to John and showed him what will happen before the end of time. John wrote about what he saw in the Book of Revelation.

John saw a throne in heaven and someone sitting on it. He saw 24 thrones around it, and 24 elders sat on the thrones. John saw four living creatures around the throne. All day and night they said: "Holy, holy, holy, Lord God, the Almighty, who was, who is, and who is coming."

John saw the creatures give glory, honor, and thanks to the One on the throne. The elders fell down and worshiped. They said to God: "You are worthy to receive glory and honor and power, because You have created all things."

Then John saw a scroll in the right hand of the One seated on the throne. A mighty angel asked, "Who is worthy to open the scroll?" No one in heaven was worthy. One of the elders said, "Look! The Lion of Judah may open the scroll. He is worthy!"

Then John saw someone near the throne. He was standing like a slaughtered lamb. He took the scroll, and the elders and living creatures fell down before Jesus, the Lamb. John heard thousands and thousands of angels around the throne. John heard every creature everywhere—in heaven, on earth, under the earth, and on the sea—worshipping the Lamb together.

Christ Connection: John cried when he saw that no one was worthy to open the scroll. Then John saw the resurrected Lamb—God's Son, Jesus. Jesus was killed on the cross so that we could have forgiveness and eternal life. Jesus is worthy. He deserves all praise, honor, and blessing.



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All of Creation Code

Circle every third letter and write the circled letters in the spaces below.

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F I G H S I J
W K L O M N
R O P T Q
R H S T Y

Revelation Rewind

Use the clues to complete the crossword puzzle.

ACROSS

- 4. a long piece of paper, usually with something written on it
- 6. the number of churches John wrote to
- 8. the last book of the Bible
- 9. a word used three times in a row to describe the Lord

DOWN

- 1. to express thanks or love and respect
- 2. who John saw in a vision
- 3. respect that is given to someone who is admired
- 5. what the elders were wearing in John's vision
- 7. the island John was sent to

WORD BANK

scroll
 seven
 revelation
 holy
 praise
 Jesus
 honor
 crowns
 Patmos