

**We Shall Reign on the Earth**

**Rev 5: 10**

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- Revelation 5 is a most fascinating chapter
  - Here is what we have learned so far.....
  - There is a "scroll" written inside and out in the right hand of the One on the throne
    - This book is the title deed of the earth.....
  - No one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it.....
    - Why?
    - There were two things required...
      - First...a sinless life of obedience to God
      - Second...that person must be a relative to Adam

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- Then we found that there was One....
  - The Lion of Judah.....
  - The Root of David
- But then rather than seeing a lion or king....
  - We see a Lamb.....
    - Not just any Lamb but.....
    - One standing as if slain
      - Having seven horns and seven eyes
      - One endowed with power and authority
        - Who judges the thoughts and intents of the heart

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- That One who is worthy takes the scroll
  - Then all of heaven bursts out in praise
  - Singing a new song.....
  - Rev 5: 9...And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation
  - Telling us again the the 24 elders are representatives of the redeemed saints.....the church

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- Now we come to our main text today...
- Rev 5: 10..... “And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth”.
  - When we get to this verse a question arises....
  - Why would the redeemed saints reign on the earth if our abode is in heaven with Christ?
    - Rev 19: 7-10.....marriage supper of the Lamb
    - Rev 19: 11-14....”clothed in white linen”

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- Why then are the saints to reign on the earth?
  - Luke 19: 11-27....parable of Jesus
    - Vs 11.....supposed the kingdom of God was going to appear immediately.....
  - Luke 19: 12-13....
    - Vs 12....He gave them gifts to use.....
    - I Cor 12: 4-11; 28; Romans 12: 6-8 (gifts of the Holy Spirit)
    - The gift are...prophecy, serving, teaching, encouraging, giving, leadership, mercy, word of wisdom, word of knowledge, faith, healing, miracles, discernment, speaking in tongues, interpretation of tongues and helps.

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- “until I return” .....
  - II Peter 3: 3-4..... Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts, And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as *they were* from the beginning of the creation.
- Luke 19: 14..”we do not want this man to reign over us” .....
  - This parable was lived out by the Jews of Jesus day.....
  - But it has huge spiritual context in it for all men

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- Recent history of the Jews of Jesus day....
  - Herod the Great died in 4 BC.....
    - Interestingly, he placed a large golden eagle over the entrance to the temple which the Jews considered blasphemous causing immense animosity.
    - This eagle was the representation of the worldwide authority of the Roman Empire
      - It has been man's desire to rule the world since the tower of Babel
    - Eccl 1: 9...That which has been is that which will be, And that which has been done is that which will be done. So, there is nothing new under the sun.
    - I Thess 5: 3.... For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.

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- II Thess 2: 7-10.... For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only he who now restrains *will do so* until he is taken out of the way. And then that lawless one will be revealed whom the Lord will slay with the breath of His mouth and bring to an end by the appearance of His coming; *that is*, the one whose coming is in accord with the activity of Satan, with all power and signs and false wonders, and with all the deception of wickedness for those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth so as to be saved.
- Rev 6-18.....is the record of the one who will be slain by the "breath of His mouth" along with his worshippers.
  - The Lion of Judah and the Root of David will prevail.

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- Luke 19: 17...“And he said to him, ‘Well done, good slave, because you have been faithful in a very little thing, (you will) be in authority over ten cities.’
- When????
  - Rev 20: 6.....
  - During the Millennial Kingdom the saints will reign over the earth
    - And as priests....we will offer sacrifices????
    - Heb 12: 22.... Through Him then, let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that give thanks to His name.

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- Rev 5: 12....."Worthy is the Lamb" .....
- Dunamis....(power) Rev 1: 16....."His face as the sun shining in his strength"
- Ploutos...(riches)...Phil 4: 19...but my God will supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus
- Sophia....(wisdom)...I Cor 3: 19...for the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God.
- Iskus....(strength)...Mk 12: 30...and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy strength

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- Timee...(honor)...Heb 2: 9...But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man.
- Doxa...(glory)..I Pet 4: 11...crowned with glory and honor
- Eulogia...(blessing)...Rom 15: 29...the fullness of the blessing of the gospel of Christ.
  - Where are we at today in the timeline of Christ?

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- Romans 8: 22.... For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now.
- Psalm 146-150....
  - Each one start with “Hallelujah”
  - Each one ends with “Hallelujah”
- Luke 19: 39-40...And some of the Pharisees from among the multitude said unto him, Master, rebuke thy disciples. And he answered and said unto them, I tell you that, if these should hold their peace, the stones would immediately cry out.