



## **The Church Responds to Jesus in Worship**

**July 9, 2023**

Revelation 4-5

Questions for Study and Group Discussion

*\*\* Before you begin, please read Revelation 4-5. As you read, remember apocalyptic literature is supposed to evoke your imagination. Really try to picture in your mind what is happening in these 2 chapters.*

1. As you read these two chapters in Revelation, what kind of emotions did it draw out of you?
2. If someone was to ask you why you worship God, what would you say?
3. What are your observations on the throne room scene in chapter 4. What did God look like? What does His appearance say about His character?
4. Who are the 24 elders and what do they represent?
5. The 24 elders "cast their crowns before the throne". What is the purpose of a crown (see 2 Tim 4:8)? What does the action of casting their crowns before the throne symbolize?
6. Who are the 4 creatures and what do they represent? What do you notice about their worship in verse 8?
7. After reading chapter 4 and walking through the questions above, what is John's purpose in writing this description? What is your response to chapter 4?
8. Chapter 5 starts with a focus on the scroll. What is in the scroll? Why is John weeping?
9. In verses 5-6 we get a beautiful mixed metaphor about Jesus. What does it mean that He is the Lion-Lamb? What does this name say about how He has victory?
10. The 24 elders and 4 creatures who were worshiping God the Father, now turn their worship to Jesus. What does this say about who Jesus is?
11. Read Revelation 5:11-14. What do you notice about the worship that is taking place? Does your worship reflect this kind of worship?
12. Read again Revelation 5:9. What does it mean that we are His kingdom and His priests?
13. How can you serve God and bring forth His Kingdom?
14. As priests, how can you worship Him as He deserves in your everyday life?