

GLORIFY THE CREATOR – He is Worthy

Rev. 5:8-10



Rev. 5:8 And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four *and* twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints.

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;**

10 And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and **we shall reign on the earth.**

This year our theme is...

Glorify the Creator

glorify

To praise the glory of (God), especially as an act of worship.

<http://www.dictionary.com/browse/glorify?s=t>

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Rev. 4:9 And when those beasts **give glory and honour and thanks to him that sat on the throne, who liveth for ever and ever,**

10 The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying,

11 **Thou art worthy, O Lord,** to receive glory and honour and power: **for thou hast created all things,** and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

I. WE SHOULD GLORIFY THE CREATOR BECAUSE OF THE PAST

Rev. 4:11 **Thou art worthy, O Lord**, to receive glory and honour and power: **for thou hast created all things**, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

II. WE SHOULD GLORIFY THE CREATOR BECAUSE OF THE PRESENT

A. The Pain of the Redeemer – “...for thou wast slain...”

B. The Plan of Redemption – “...and **hast redeemed us to God** by thy blood...”

1 Pet. 1:18 Forasmuch as **ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things**, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation *received* by tradition from your fathers;

19 **But with the precious blood of Christ**, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:

C. The Power of Redemption – “...out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;”

III. WE SHOULD GLORIFY THE CREATOR BECAUSE OF THE PROSPECT

Rev. 5:10 And **hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.**

A. The Creator's Impact – "...hast made us..."

Isa. 43:7 *Even* every one that is called by my name: for **I have created him for my glory**, I have formed him; yea, I have made him.

Rev. 4:11 **Thou art worthy, O Lord**, to receive glory and honour and power: **for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.**

- Humble recognition of the Creator should motivate the believer to implement humble submission to the Creator's desire.

Jer. 18:6 O house of Israel, cannot I do with you as this potter? saith the LORD. **Behold, as the clay is in the potter's hand, so are ye in mine hand,** O house of Israel.

Rom. 9:21 **Hath not the potter power over the clay,** of the same lump to make one vessel unto honour, and another unto dishonour?

B. The Christian's Intent – "...unto God kings and priests..."

Dan 7:27 And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.

- Our creation, and the intent of it, is “...unto God...”
- God’s plan for us is to be spiritual rulers – “...a royal priesthood...”

Ex. 19:5 Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a **peculiar treasure unto me** above all people: for **all the earth is mine**:

6 And **ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation**. These *are* the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel.

- Each member of this true kingdom is a priest unto God, with direct access to him at all times.
- God's plan for Israel is still His plan for us, today!

1 Pet. 2:9 But ye *are* a chosen generation, a **royal priesthood**, an holy nation, a **peculiar people**; that ye should **shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light**:

- Believers are intended to be spiritual and to be leaders.

Rev. 1:5 And from Jesus Christ, *who is* the faithful witness, *and* the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. **Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,**

6 And hath **made us kings and priests** unto God and his Father; to him *be* glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

2 Sam. 23:3 The God of Israel said, the Rock of Israel spake to me, *He that ruleth over men **must be just, ruling in the fear of God.***

Rom. 14:17 For **the kingdom of God** is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

1 Cor. 6:9 **Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God?** Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind,

10 Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall **inherit the kingdom of God.**

- Spiritual rulers must first learn to rule themselves.

Prov. 25:28 He that *hath* no **rule over his own spirit** is like a city that is broken down, and without walls.

Prov. 16:32 He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that **ruleth his spirit** than he that taketh a city.

C. The Confident Inspiration – “...and **we shall reign** on the earth.”

2 Tim. 2:12 If we suffer, **we shall also reign with him**: if we deny *him*, he also will deny us:

Mt. 25:20 And so he that had received five talents came and brought other five talents, saying, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five talents: behold, I have gained beside them five talents more.

21 His lord said unto him, **Well done, *thou* good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things:** enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

22 He also that had received two talents came and said, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me two talents: behold, I have gained two other talents beside them.

23 His lord said unto him, **Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things:** enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

24 Then he which had received the one talent came and said, Lord, I knew thee that thou art an hard man, reaping where thou hast not sown, and gathering where thou hast not strawed:

25 And I was afraid, and went and hid thy talent in the earth: lo, *there* thou hast *that is* thine.

26 His lord answered and said unto him, ***Thou wicked and slothful servant***, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not strawed:

27 Thou oughtest therefore to have put my money to the exchangers, and *then* at my coming I should have received mine own with usury.

28 Take therefore the talent from him, and give *it* unto him which hath ten talents.

29 **For unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath.**

30 And cast ye the unprofitable servant into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Conclusion

1 Thess. 2:10 *Ye are* witnesses, and God *also*,
how holily and justly and unblameably we
behaved ourselves among you that believe:

11 As ye know how we exhorted and comforted
and charged every one of you, as a father *doth*
his children,

12 That **ye would walk worthy of God, who
hath called you unto his kingdom and glory.**