**SERMON OUTLINE**

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1. INTRODUCTION
	1. The scene in Revelation 5 takes place in Heaven right after the rapture.
	2. There are three questions we each should ask ourselves:
		1. Do I have a cause worth living for?
		2. Is what I am living for worthy of Jesus dying for?
		3. When I get to where I’m headed, where will I be?
	3. Jesus Christ is the only one worthy of our love, our lives, and our all.
	4. We will never have satisfaction, true fulfillment, or understand why we were created until we come to worship the One who is worthy, Jesus Christ.
2. JESUS IS EXCLUSIVELY WORTHY (Revelation 5:1-5)
	1. When God created the world, He gave Adam and Eve dominion.
		1. Adam and Eve turned that dominion over to Satan when they sinned in the Garden.
			1. 2 Peter 2:19
			2. Luke 4:6
			3. 2 Corinthians 4:4
		2. Adam legally lost dominion to Satan, and now it has to be legally regained.
		3. Leviticus 25:25
			1. When a man lost his possession, God made a way for it to be bought back through a near kinsman redeemer.
			2. This is a picture of salvation.
			3. Jesus is our near kinsman.
		4. Jesus legally bought back what Adam lost.
			1. Our inheritance was lost by a man, and it had to be redeemed by a man, but not just any man.
				1. The price of redemption is the blood of Jesus Christ.
	2. Revelation 5:2
		1. In order for a person to be worthy to open the book and loose the seals:
			1. He had to be a near kinsman.
			2. He had to have the price to pay.
		2. No man in Heaven or on Earth was worthy, and no demon spirit was worthy.
		3. Revelation 5:3-4
			1. No man is worthy to open the book because we are all in Adam.
				1. Adam is a slave to Satan, and the children of a slave are slaves themselves.
				2. As descendants of Adam, we were all born as slaves to Satan.

Not only does the master own the slave, but he owns all that the slave owns.

* + - * 1. We are slaves, and we are bankrupt.
			1. Jesus, the second Adam, came to Earth to regain what the first Adam lost.
				1. Had He not been born of a virgin, He would have been a son of Adam.

Though He is perfect man made of woman, He is not a son of Adam.

He is Son of Man and Son of God.

* + - 1. Jesus was born of a virgin to be what He was: sinless.
			2. Jesus was sinless to do what He did: die on the cross to pay our sin debt.
				1. 1 Peter 1:18-19
	1. There is no way to Heaven apart from Jesus Christ.
		1. John 14:6
		2. Acts 4:12
	2. Jesus is exclusively worthy.
1. JESUS IS EXCEEDINGLY WORTHY (Revelation 4:10-11)
	1. He is worthy because of creation.
		1. Revelation 4:11
		2. It was all created by Him and for Him.
			1. We are not the center of the universe.
		3. No one else can create.
			1. Scientists claim to “create” life in a laboratory.
				1. Man can only take matter that God has already created and synthesized and then make a “life-like” substance from already created matter.
	2. He is worthy because of Calvary.
		1. Revelation 5:6-7
			1. The sacrificial Lamb, Jesus, is the only one who can take the book, the title deed to all the Earth, and open the seals.
		2. What does John see in the Lamb?
			1. He sees a redeeming Lamb.
				1. The Greek word for “lamb” is not the word used in this passage of Revelation.
				2. The word for “lamb” used here is the word for a little pet lamb.

John, expecting to see a lion (the Lion of the tribe of Judah), instead sees a lamb; but not just a lamb of fairly good size, but the most helpless of all creatures: a little pet lamb.

This same Greek word for a little pet lamb is used only one other time in the Bible, when Jesus told Peter to “feed my lambs.”

John 21:15

* + - 1. He sees a resurrected Lamb.
				1. This Lamb, as though it had been slain, is now standing.

The Lamb still has the nail prints.

* + - * 1. The Lamb is no longer dead.
			1. He sees a reigning Lamb.
				1. Revelation 5:6

In Bible prophecy, horns speak of power.

The number seven is the perfect number.

This Lamb is omnipotent.

This Lamb also has seven eyes; eyes speak of wisdom.

He sees everything.

This Lamb is omniscient.

2 Chronicles 16:9

The “seven Spirits of God” shows that He is also omnipresent.

There is no where that He is not.

* 1. He is worthy because of conquest.
		1. Revelation 5:5
			1. The word “prevailed” is the word we get our word “Nike” from, meaning victory.
			2. The Lamb is the victor; He has prevailed.
				1. The devil in the book of the Revelation is described as a great, red dragon.

The beast will also rise out of the sea, and the Antichrist will come with his militant millions.

* + - * 1. The one who comes against them all is the Lamb, the Lord Jesus Christ.
1. JESUS IS ETERNALLY WORTHY (Revelation 5:8-10, 13-14)
	1. There was never a time when Jesus was not worthy, and there never will be a time when He is not worthy.
	2. In this passage, we see in Heaven praise that is symbolized by harps and bowls.
		1. The harps speak of our worship expressed.
		2. The bowls are incense and speak of our praise and our prayers.
			1. These are prayers that have already been prayed.
				1. God has not forgotten a single prayer that we have prayed.

When the high priest would go into the temple, he would take a bowl, or basin, of incense; the aroma of which would fill the air.

This is an illustration of the prayers of the saints.

When we pray, it is a sweet smelling savor to God.

When we praise Him, the Bible calls that the sacrifice of prayer.

* 1. There is also a song in Heaven.
		1. Revelation 5:12
		2. We will sing in Heaven to the Lamb.
			1. The refrain of that song:
				1. We will sing about the blood of the Lamb.
				2. We will sing a new song because we’re now redeemed up in the glory.
			2. The reach of that song:
				1. It will echo and thunder from the highest Heaven to the lowest hell.
				2. Revelation 5:13
				3. From every possible sphere, they will give glory to the Lord Jesus Christ.
				4. Romans 14:11

Every knee will bow and every tongue confess that Jesus is Lord.

1. CONCLUSION
	1. The wisest thing anyone can ever do is to surrender to the Lordship of Jesus Christ.
	2. Even those you do not receive Him as Savior will one day confess Him as Lord.
	3. Do you know Jesus personally? If not, you can pray to Him today by asking Him to come into your life.
	4. Call upon Jesus today. Repent (turn) from your sins, and turn to Jesus. Ask Him to forgive you of your sins, and acknowledge Him as Lord of your life.
		1. Romans 3:23
		2. Romans 10:9-10
		3. Romans 10:13
		4. Acts 16:31