

**Sunday, April 11, 2021**

**Title: The Lamb's Glorified Majesty**

**Series: The Centrality of the Lamb**

**Text: Revelation 5:1 - 14**

Purpose: I want to PERSUADE my congregation to believe that Jesus Christ is the GLORIFIED Son of God who is coming again to RULE.

1 Timothy 4:13, "Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching."

**Introduction:**

Review of last Sunday's devotional:

The Lamb Foretells His Death and Resurrection

1. The Lamb, Jesus Christ, Announced His Death and Resurrection, Matthew 16:13 - 28
2. The Lamb's Resurrection PROVES His Divinity, Romans 1:4
3. The Lamb's Resurrection was Physical, John 20:24 - 29
4. The Lamb's Resurrection Secures the Believer's Salvation, 1 Corinthians 15:1 - 28

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~ "The coming of Christ is the great end of creation and redemption. This is the day for which all other days were made, the one event to which all other things are tending."

A. B. Simpson

Cf. Matthew 24:14 and Revelation 14:6 - 7

~ "CHRIST WILL RULE: I am not surprised that I still meet people who do not believe that Jesus Christ is going to return to earth. In fact, some of them, armed with their own Bibles and interpretations, are insistent on setting me "straight." One gentleman has written saying that I have it all wrong, and that Paul did not mean what I had said he meant, as I applied Paul's statement to everyday life. I took time to write a reply: "When it comes to saying what he meant, Paul's batting average has been pretty good up to now. So, I will string along with what Paul plainly, clearly said." I did not figure I needed someone to straighten me out – particularly someone who had decided the Bible does not mean what it says. No one is going to argue me out of my faith in what God has revealed and what God has said. As far as I am concerned, it is a fact that Jesus is coming again! The question I do raise is this: Are we prepared spiritually for His coming? Are we tolerating conditions in our midst that will cause us embarrassment when He does come?" Sunday, October 6, 2019 devotional quoting A. W. Tozer (1897 – 1963)

~ Read Isaiah 11:1 – 9; Revelation 5:1 - 14

**1. The Lamb, In His Humanity, EMPTIED HIMSELF:**

~ Philippians 2:5 – 11

Verse 7, "but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men."

Verse 8, "becoming obedient to the point of death,"

Verse 9, "Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name,"

~ Matthew 16:17, "And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven."

~ Isaiah 53:2, "For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; and he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, and no beauty that we should desire him."

**2. The Lamb in the THRONEROOM:**

~ Revelation 5:1 - 14

Verses 5 – 7, "And one of the elders said to me, "Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals." (6) And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. (7) And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne."

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**3. The Lamb's MAJESTIC STATE:**

~ verse 5, "the Lion of the tribe of Judah" – this is the promised Deliverer of the Nation of Israel

~ verse 5, "the Root of David" – this is the promised Shepherd-King of the Nation of Israel

Both of these are NOW and yet FUTURE

and require the return of the Lord Jesus Christ!

~ verse 5, "has conquered" – this is the promised Victorious King

Hebrews 2:8, "putting everything in subjection under his feet." Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. At present, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him,"

~ verse 2, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?" – this is the Glory of Israel

1 Samuel 15:29, "And also the Glory of Israel will not lie or have regret, for he is not a man, that he should have regret."

~ verse 6, "with seven horns" – that is perfect and complete power, omnipotence

~ verse 6, "with seven eyes" – sees all and knows all, omniscience

~ verse 6, "which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth." – omnipresence

**4. The Lamb's Glorious Return to RULE:**

~ Isaiah 11:1 – 9 and Revelation 20:1 - 6

**Conclusion:** Revelation 5:12, "saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power [1] and wealth [2] and wisdom [3] and might [4] and honor [5] and glory [6] and blessing [7]!" Closing Hymn: Crown Him with Many Crowns