

A Royal Waste of Time

The Centre of Worship

Discussion Points

January 9, 2022

Read/Reflect

1. Read Revelation 4. What is your reaction to reading this chapter?
 - It's just weird
 - It's a pretty picture
 - I wish I was there with John
 - I've seen something similar
 - It's beyond imagination
 - I am part of this worship vision
2. Read Revelation 5. What do you think this vision meant to the persecuted Christians to whom John the apostle was writing?

Explore

3. Of all the things that need to be done in our world, is sitting around a throne singing God's praise the best use of time?
4. What has drawn you into the splendor and majesty of God that led you to worship? What convinces you that God is worthy of your praise?
5. What competes for highest devotion, whether it's what you trust the most, depend on the most, or love the most?
 - Myself
 - Money
 - Success
 - Family
 - Reputation / influence
 - Happiness
6. How do you gain that sense of God as your first love? What nurtures that love and devotion to God?

Pray: ... the prayers that are sung in these two chapters:

- *"Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God, the Almighty—the one who always was, who is, and who is still to come.*
- *¹¹ "You are worthy, O Lord our God, to receive glory and honor and power. For you created all things, and they exist because you created what you pleased."*
- *"You are worthy to take the scroll and break its seals and open it. For you were slaughtered, and your blood has ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation. ¹⁰ And you have caused them to become a Kingdom of priests for our God. And they will reign on the earth."*
- *"Worthy is the Lamb who was slaughtered—to receive power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and blessing."*
- *"Blessing and honor and glory and power belong to the one sitting on the throne and to the Lamb forever and ever."*