



The Book of
REVELATION

Living for the Lamb and Defying the Dragon

Worshipping the Worthy One

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Revelation 5:1-14 Douglas translation

¹Then I noticed a book in the right hand of the One sitting upon the throne. The book, having been written on the inside as well as the outside, had been sealed with seven seals. ²I also noticed a mighty messenger declaring in a booming voice, "Who is worthy to open the book and release its seals?" ³No one - neither in heaven, on the earth, nor under the earth - was able to open the book or to look in it. ⁴I began wailing profusely because no one could be found who was worthy to open the book or to look in it. ⁵Despite this, one of the elders says to me, "Don't cry! Behold, the Lion from the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, prevailed! He can open the book and its seven seals.

⁶Then I noticed a Lamb that appeared to have been butchered standing in the midst of the throne, the four living creatures, and the elders. The Lamb had seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent forth into all the earth. ⁷The Lamb came and received the book from the right hand of the One sitting upon the throne. ⁸At that point, when the Lamb received the book, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb. Each held a harp and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of His loyal followers. ⁹Then they started singing a new praise song declaring,

"Worthy are You to receive the book as well as to open its seals because You were slaughtered and purchased with Your blood a people for God from every tribe, linguistic community, people group, and nation. ¹⁰You crafted them into a Kingdom and made them to be priests to our God. They will reign upon the earth."

¹¹Then I looked and heard a voice of many angels around the throne, the living creatures, and the elders. Their number was myriads upon myriads and thousands upon thousands. ¹²They were declaring in a booming voice,

"Worthy is the slaughtered Lamb to receive power, riches, wisdom, control, honor, glory, and praise."

¹³Then I heard every created thing in heaven, upon the earth, under the earth, and in the sea, as well as every thing that is in them, declaring,

"To the One sitting upon the throne and to the Lamb be praise, honor, glory, and sovereignty forever and ever."

¹⁴"Amen," declared the four living creatures. The elders fell down and worshiped.

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