

Worship 4: Revelation 4 and 5

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John cannot even begin to describe the glory and the majesty of the One he sees on the throne, God Himself.

God is a covenant keeping God.

We should never have an unholy familiarity with God. He isn't a buddy. He is the great God of the universe.

To some He is simply a person who exists in order that He might save people on their terms, help them live the life they want to live, and, when they get in a little bit of trouble, He will help them out. This is the concept of God; this is not the God of the Bible.

He gave His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Not that we might live a life that pleases us, but that we might live a life that pleases Him.

The response to the true unveiling of the glory and majesty of God is always submission.

To see God in His glory is to submit to Him.

Revelation 5

Why 7 seals? Because of secrecy. Sealed also because of what was in the scroll: God's final disposition for the affairs of this world.

Worthy seems to imply moral fitness. The moral fitness is needed to be qualified to read, because moral fitness is the true strength in the heavenly world.

Matt 5:8

Those who are morally fit receive from God the knowledge of the will of God.

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God will not give His message to a person who is not qualified to receive it.

The Word of God must be revealed by the Spirit of God.

You can be trained in your mind, but you have to be prepared in your spirit.

To know Him is to worship Him.

God's ultimate purpose in creation is that every created being might praise the One on the throne and the Lamb on the throne with Him. Is that purpose being fulfilled in us?

When He reveals Himself to you as the Lamb of God, the Spirit of God is going to create within you a passion that all might know Him.

I wondered if Tom would really stand for the Lord.
Oh, but he stood.

Why did they call him Christian? Because they saw Christ in him.

He was a great worshiper of Jesus Christ.

He used to call Him His beautiful Lord Jesus. That's worship, lostness in his God. That's what it is. At 22 years of age, God took Him. Why shouldn't He take him? He worshipped Jesus Christ.

It's not a matter of knowing truth, it's loving a person, that's Christianity.

Do you know anything about that?