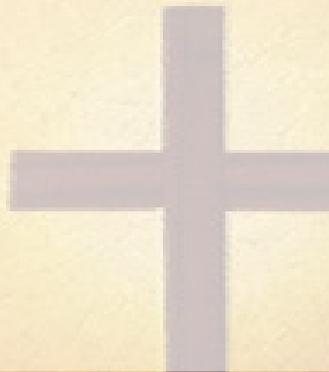
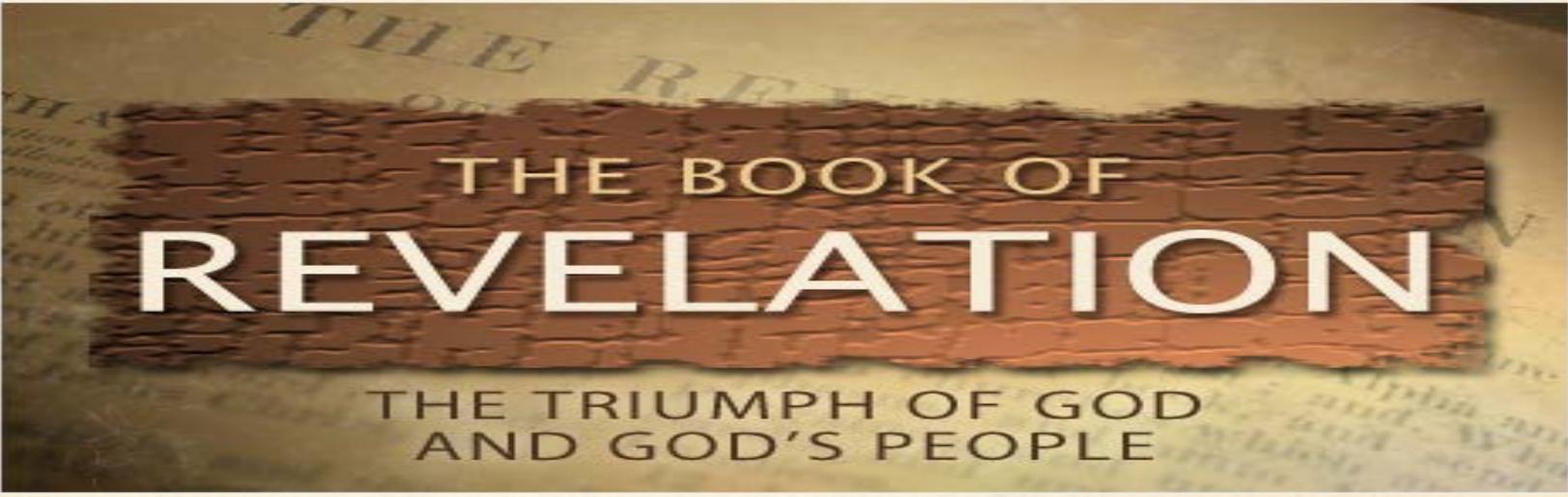
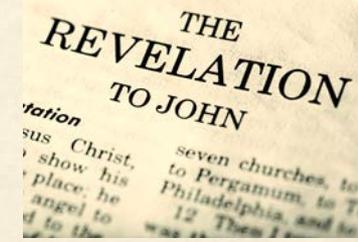
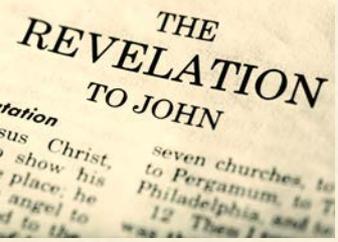


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Do you remember what was happening at the end of the last chapter?

The throne room was full of excitement, worship and casting of crowns before the throne of God.

Now a scroll is brought out and there is silence. This is just like a courtroom and the court is now in session.

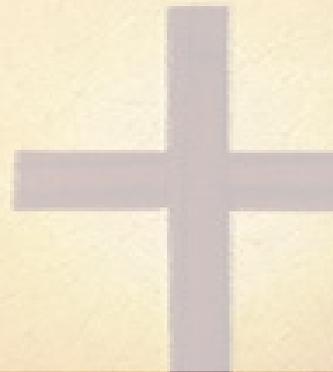


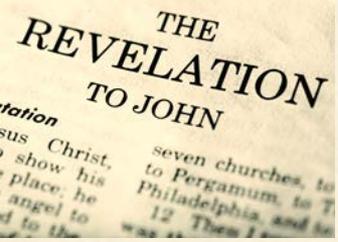
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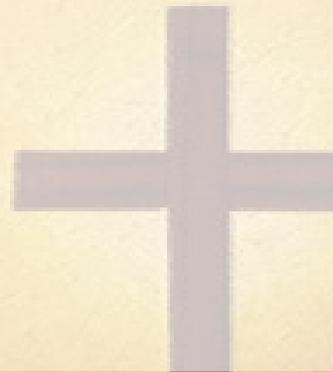


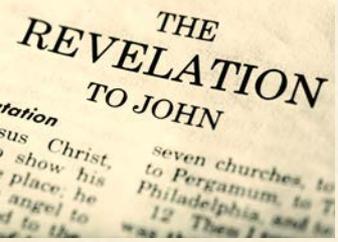
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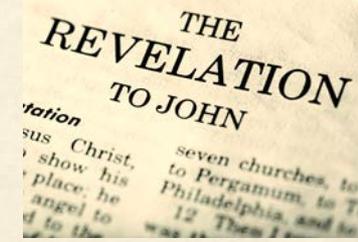
What document during early Greek history was sealed with seven seals?

A legal document such as a “last will and testament”.

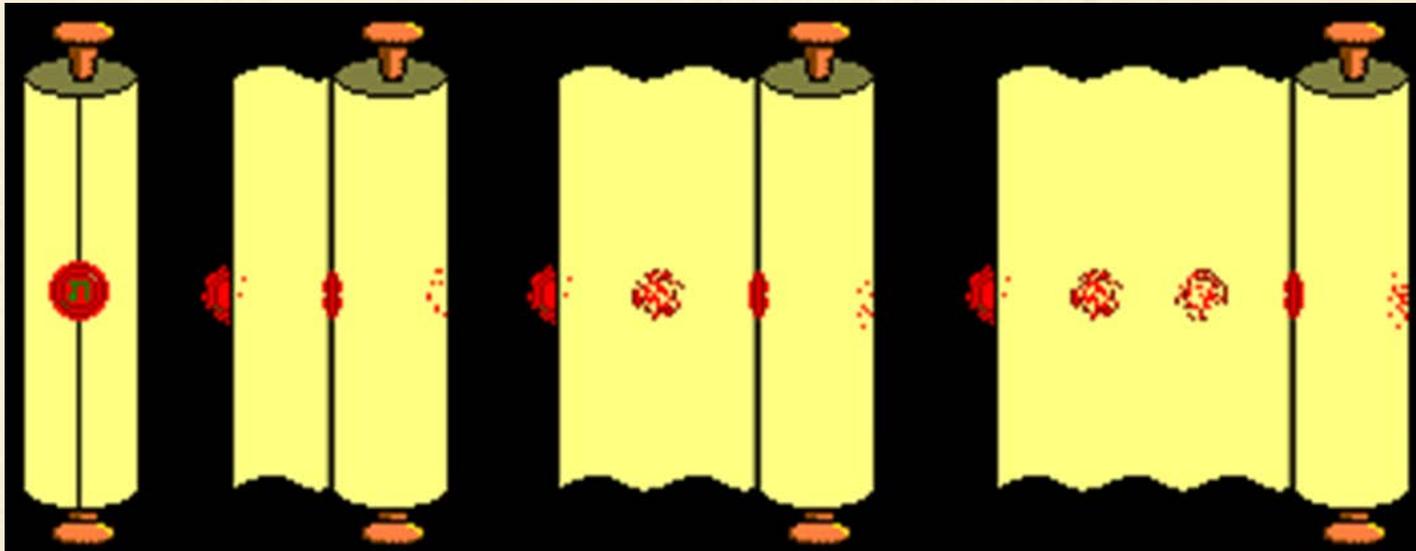




# sealed with seven seals



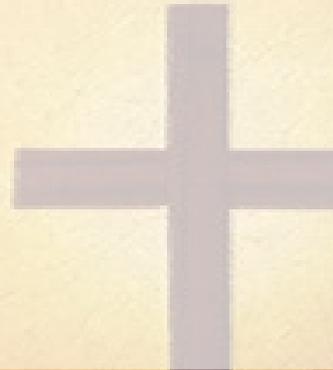
Greek history shows us that the seals were arranged in such a way that each time one was broken, the roll of paper could be opened a little more. In essence, the scroll would be “unrolled” as the seals were being broken one by one.



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## Chapter 5: Verse 1

Then I saw in the right hand of him who sat on the throne a scroll with writing on both sides and sealed with a total of seven seals, just like a legal document such as a last will and testament.



## Chapter 5: Verse 2

And I saw a **mighty angel** proclaiming in a loud voice, "Who is worthy to break the seals and open the scroll?"

What does "mighty angel" mean to you?

Mighty angel is translated from the Greek word

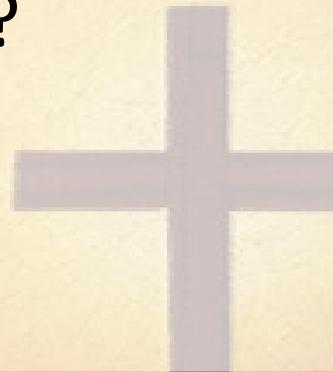
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How can you tell someone has great strength?

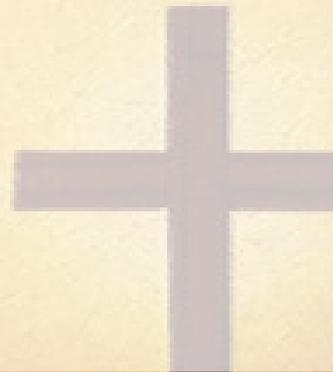
This could be Michael or Gabriel.



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## Chapter 5: Verse 2

And I saw a mighty angel with a muscular build proclaiming in a loud voice, "Who is worthy to break the seals and open the scroll?"





## Chapter 5: Verses 3-5



But no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth could open the scroll or even look inside it. I wept and wept because no one was found who was worthy to open the scroll or look inside. Then one of the elders said to me, “Do not weep! See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has triumphed. He is able to open the scroll and its seven seals.”



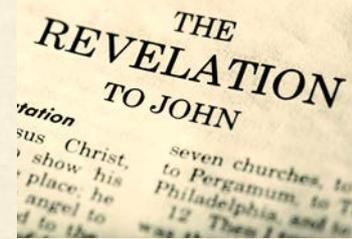
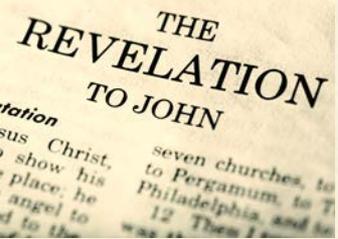


***But no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth could open the scroll or even look inside it.***

What does this mean?

No one in all creation in all time (in heaven, or on earth, or in hades) met the requirements to look at or read the scroll. In other words nobody was fit to open the scroll.





***I wept and wept because no one was found who was worthy to open the scroll or look inside.***

Why was John weeping?

How sad it is that out of all God's creation there was nobody who could come forward to open the scroll. The Greek describes a violent crying. He felt the weight of the world and all that was crying out for redemption and he could not help. John knew he was unworthy.





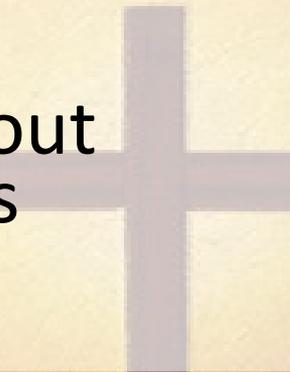
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Who are the elders?

They represent the old testament saints, the dead in Christ and the church who has been raptured out of the earth. Notice the exclamation point.

Who is the elder describing as worthy of opening the scroll and the seven seals?

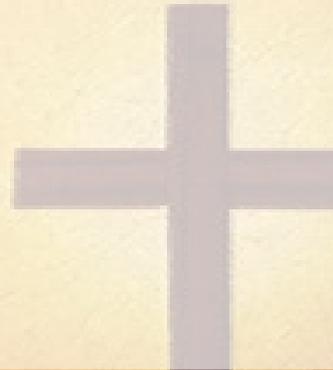
This is also our message today. Don't weep about what is going on in the world, See the answer is Jesus!



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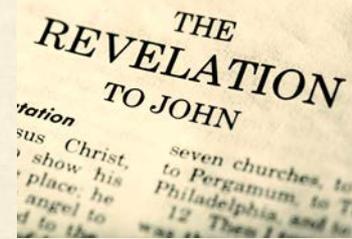
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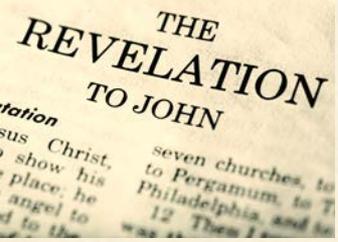




## Chapter 5: Verses 6-8



Then I saw a Lamb, looking as if it had been slain, standing at the center of the throne, encircled by the four living creatures and the elders. The Lamb had seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. He went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who sat on the throne. And when he had taken it, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb. Each one had a harp and they were holding golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of God's people.



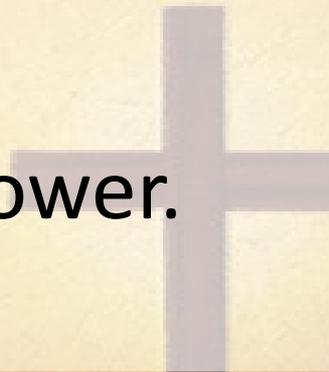
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What does a horn represent?

*Daniel 7:24-The ten horns are ten kings who will come from this kingdom. After them another king will arise, different from the earlier ones; he will subdue three kings.*

A horn represents a King, authority and power.



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What do eyes represent?

All seeing (wisdom)

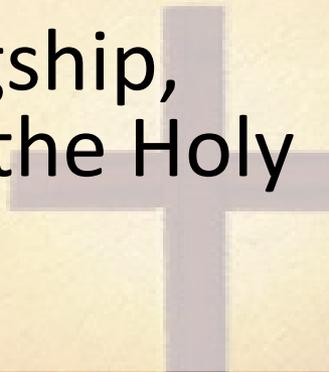
What is the seven spirits of God?

The Holy Spirit.

What does seven represent?

Put it all together

The Lamb sees all and has all wisdom, kingship, authority and power and full control over the Holy Spirit.



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*Each one had a harp and they were holding golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of God's people.*

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What is this saying to you?

Heaven is going to be full of music and full of fragrance and our prayers are stored by God.

*Psalm 141:2-May my prayer be set before you like incense; may the lifting up of my hands be like the evening sacrifice.*

**Let's All Fill up God's incense bowl!!!**



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## Chapter 5: Verses 9-10

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“You are worthy to take the scroll  
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because you were slain,  
and with your blood you purchased for God  
persons from every tribe and language and  
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You have made them to be a kingdom and  
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And they sang a new song

Can you find anywhere in the Bible prior to Revelation where the angels sing?

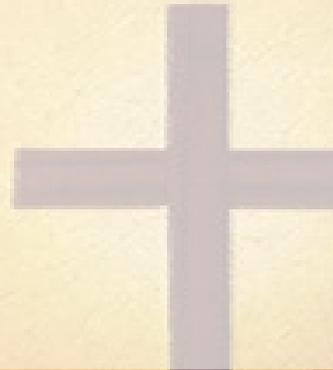


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Who is this describing that was purchased for  
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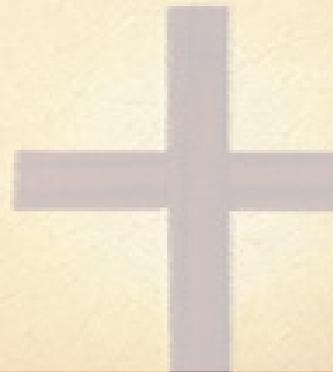


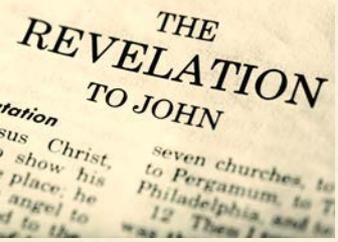
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## Chapter 1: Verses 5-6

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father—to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen.





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Who is us?

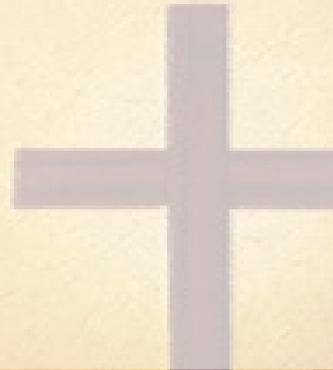
Devoted followers of Christ

What is a Kingdom?

An empire or nation ruled by a King

What is a priest?

Someone appointed by God



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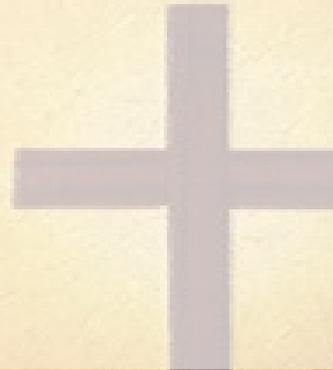
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Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders.

How big is the throne room?



## Chapter 5: Verse 12-14

In a loud voice they were saying:

“Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!”

Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, saying:

“To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever!”

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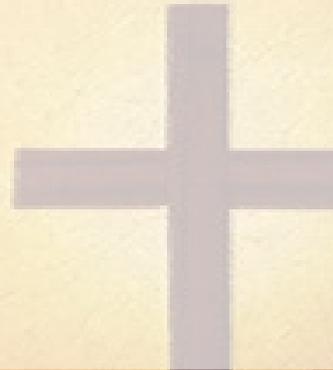
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What does this mean to you?

*All God's creation will cry out to God and His Son praise, and honor and glory and power for ever and ever!*



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