Revelation 5:6-10

Remember to begin your study early in the week so that you have time to really think (and keep thinking) about the passage without being rushed.

* Day 1

Read Revelation 5:6-10.

For these lessons, the sermon text is provided in a format that visually helps display the structure of the paragraph or section of text. The main verbs are underlined. Commands are double-underlined. Generally, the main indicative clauses remain to the left, and the other clauses are either directly underneath when they have equal priority to what comes before, or are tabbed to the right when the clause supports, develops, or draws a conclusion from a neighboring clause.

6 And I saw

between the throne

(with the four living creatures)

and the elders

a Lamb

standing, as if slain,

having seven horns

and seven eyes,

which are the seven Spirits of God,

sent out into all the earth.

7 And He came

and took the book

out of the right hand of Him

who sat on the throne.

8 When He had taken the book,

the four living creatures

and the twenty-four elders

fell down before the Lamb,

each one holding a harp

and golden bowls

full of incense,

which are the prayers of the saints.

9 And they sang a new song, saying,

“Worthy are You

to take the book

and to break its seals;

for You were slain,

and purchased for God with Your blood men from every tribe

and tongue

and people

and nation.

10 You have made them to be a kingdom

and priests

to our God;

and they will reign

upon the earth.”

1. What dilemma is solved? See 5:1-5 for context.
2. Who all was present for this scene? Where did it take place?
3. How is the Lamb described? Who is the Lamb?
4. What did the Lamb do in this passage? What was the Lamb credited with doing in the past?
5. How is this “new song” different than what had been previously proclaimed in 4:8-11?
6. Has the Lamb been mentioned previously in Revelation? Explain.
7. What will come of those “purchased for God” in the future, according to vs. 10?
8. What is the role of the four living creatures, what have they been doing prior to this? See Rev. 4:6-11.

* Day 2

Read Revelation 5:6-10 again.

1. What or who are the seven spirits of God? Also see Rev. 3:1 and 4:5. If needed, refer to the sermons on those passages.
2. Describe how the Lamb was worshiped in this passage and what He was being worshiped for. How does this compare with how God was worshiped in 4:8-11?
3. How are these prayers described in vs 8? Also see Rev. 8:3-4.
4. Is there any significance between being able to open the book and look inside (vs. 2-4), and being able to take the book (vs. 7-9)?
5. What made the Lamb worthy to open the book?
6. What could the seven spirits of God have been sent out into the world to do? Also see John 16:8, Acts 5:32, 20:28, Romans 8:9-11.
7. Describe how the Lamb’s authority is portrayed.

* Day 3

Read Revelation 5:6-10 again.

1. What does it mean that those who have been purchased for God have been made “a kingdom and priests for our God; and they will reign upon the earth”?
2. How does your response to the Lamb compare with the responses in this scene?
3. How can this passage inform and encourage your worship of Jesus to greater degrees?
4. Why is this occurrence in heaven so important? How is it important to you personally?
5. How can this passage be used in your witness of the gospel to an unbeliever?
6. Summarize this passage in 21 words or less.

In preparation for Sunday, ask the Lord to prepare the hearts of our congregation for the preaching of the Word. Ask for the Holy Spirit to work among us in conviction over sin, encouragement to righteousness, and unity among those who are looking forward to these things to come.