Heaven Help our Worship – Pt. 1

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 Rev 4:1-11.

* 1. What comes to your mind when you think about worship?
  2. What passages of Scripture shape your thinking about how we worship as a congregation?
  3. Thinking of the heavenly scene of worship in Rev 4-5, what do you think would be the same or different if we were to have our Sunday gathering in heaven?
  4. Read 1 Pet 2:9, Phil 3:3, Rom 12:1-2, and John 4:21-24. What observations can you make from these passages about worship?
  5. How is the centrality of God displayed in Rev 4-5?
  6. How can you display and focus on the centrality of God when you come to church on Sundays?
  7. How is the centrality of God displayed in our gathering?
* Day 2

Read Rev 5:1-10.

* 1. How is the authority of God displayed in Rev 4-5?
  2. How should the authority of God shape your heart and approach to worship?
  3. How do you see the authority of God displayed in our gatherings?
  4. Describe the intensity of worship displayed in Rev 4-5.
  5. Read Ps 42:1, 63:1-3, and 103:1. How could you cultivate the intensity of worship described in these verses?
  6. Read Psalm 97, Psalm 67:7, Rom 11:22, Heb 10:26-31. How should the severity of God shape our worship/how we approach God?
* Day 3

Read Rev 5:11-14.

* 1. Where do you see the majesty of God on display in Rev 4-5?
  2. How does Psalm 96 display God’s majesty?
  3. How should the majesty of God shape our worship?
  4. How is the transcendence (otherness, separateness, exaltedness, distinctiveness) of God seen in Rev 4-5?
  5. How should the transcendence of God be displayed in our worship?
  6. How was redemption centrally seen in Rev 4-5?
  7. How can you more center on redemption in your worship?

In preparation for Sunday, pray that our worship (personally and corporately) would be shaped by the Word to the glory of God.