## **Revelation 5**

John continues his description of his heavenly vision. The Lamb is declared worthy to open the seven-sealed scroll.

- I. The Observation (5:1): John sees a seven-sealed scroll in the right hand of the one upon his throne.
- II. The Proclamation (5:2): A mighty angel asks if anyone is able to break the seals and open the scroll.
- III. The Investigation (5:3): An unsuccessful threefold search is made.
  - A. In heaven (5:3a)
  - B. On earth (5:3b)
  - C. Under the earth (5:3c)
- IV. The Lamentation (5:4): John weeps over this.
- V. The Consolation (5:5c): He is told someone is indeed worthy to do this.
- VI. The Manifestation (5:5a-5b, 6-7): This someone now steps forward.
  - A. Who he is (5:5a-b, 6): Jesus Christ.
    - 1. He is called the Lion of Judah (5:5a-b).
    - 2. He is called the Lamb of Jehovah (5:6).
  - B. What he does (5:7): He takes the scroll from the right hand of the enthroned one.
- VII. The Supplication (5:8): The twenty-four elders fall down before the Lamb, holding gold bowls filled with the prayers of God's people.
- VIII. The Exaltation (5:9-14)
  - A. The song (5:9-10, 12, 13d-14): The lyrics praise God for his wonderful work of redemption.
  - B. The singers (5:11-14)
    - 1. Their diversity (5:11)
      - a. All of heaven's elect angels (5:11a)
      - b. All of heaven's redeemed sinners (5:11b)
    - 2. Their universality (5:13-14)
      - a. Every creature in heaven (5:13a)
      - b. Every creature on earth (5:13b)
      - C. Every creature under the earth (5:13c)