Preparation for Judgment: A Scroll

Revelation 5:1-14 (part 1)

- I. WONDERING: "Who is worthy to open the scroll?" (5:1-7)
 - A. Scroll: "in the right hand...a scroll" (v.1)
 - 1. Authority: "in the right hand"
 - 2. Abundance: "written inside and on the back"
 - **3. Authentication:** "sealed up with seven seals"
 - B. Search: "Who is worthy to open?" (vv.2-3)
 - 1. Proclamation: "strong angel...who is worthy?" (v.2)
 - **2. Problem:** "no one...was worthy to open...to look into" (v.3)
 - C. Solution: "stop weeping...behold, the Lion" (vv.4-5)
 - **1. Reaction:** "I began to weep greatly" (v.4)
 - **2. Resolution:** "stop weeping" (v.5)
 - a. Messiah: "the Lion...the tribe of Judah" (Genesis 49:8-10)
 - b. King: "the root of David" (Isaiah 11:1,10;)
 - c. Champion: "has overcome" (Isaiah 53:12; Revelation 3:21)
 - **D. Savior: "a Lamb standing, as if slain"** (vv.6-7)
 - **1. Realization:** "between the throne" (v.6)
 - a. Resurrected: "a Lamb standing"
 - b. Crucified: "as if slain"
 - c. Omnipotent: "having seven horns"
 - d. Omniscient: "having...seven eyes"
 - **2. Response:** "He came and He took" (v.7)
 - a. Access: "out of the right hand"
 - b. Approached: "He came"
 - c. Appropriated: "He took"
- *II.* WORSHIPING: "Worthy art Thou to take the scroll" (5:8-14)
 - A. Authorization: "a new song" (vv.8-10)
 - B. Acclamation: "a loud voice" (vv.11-14)

Next Week: Read Revelation 5:1-14 (study 5:8-14)