

# REVELATION 5:9-14

## DISCUSSION GUIDE

### STEP 1 - PRAY FOR GOD TO GIVE UNDERSTANDING

### STEP 2 - READ TEXT

 Read the text: REVELATION 5:9-14

### STEP 3 - QUESTION AND ANSWER

 QUESTION: Who is singing Heaven's three songs in this passage?

 ANSWER: The four living creatures and the elders sing song number 1. They are joined by myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands in song number 2. That multitude was joined in song number 3 by every creature in Heaven and on Earth and under the Earth, in the sea and all that is in them.

 QUESTION: Why are they singing?

 ANSWER: Because Christ is worthy of all our praise! And evil is about to be destroyed!

### STEP 4 - DISCUSSION

 DISCUSS: How does John's vision of the multitudes joining together in song encourage us to know we are not alone in spiritual battles and kingdom work?

 SUGGESTIONS: Encourage honest, bold discussion.

 DISCUSS: We like to think we are free, especially in this country. But we have never been our own. In the beginning, we belonged to our Holy Creator GOD. We were given over to satan at the fall. We became wicked enemies of our very Creator! But in this passage, we find the reason James says to count it all joy!

We are ransomed back to our Holy GOD, freed from our wicked, depraved sin-filled selves! We come back from every tribe, language, people and nation! Racism is decimated in an instant. And not only are we ransomed back by thee only One worthy, we are made a kingdom and priests to our GOD! We will rule and reign on Earth, serving and worshiping our King Jesus Christ without limitation, in this Kingdom! We cannot yet fathom having perfect and complete communion with GOD. But because of thee perfect, spotless Lamb of GOD, one day...we see what John saw!

 **SUGGESTIONS:** *It is matter of joy to all the world, to see that God deals with men in grace and mercy through the Redeemer. He governs the world, not merely as a Creator, but as our Savior. The harps were instruments of praise; the vials were full of odors, or incense, which signify the prayers of the saints: prayer and praise should always go together. Christ has redeemed his people from the bondage of sin, guilt, and Satan. He has not only purchased liberty for them, but the highest honor and preferment; he made them kings and priests; kings, to rule over their own spirits, and to overcome the world, and the evil one; and he makes them priests; giving them access to himself, and liberty to offer up spiritual sacrifices. What words can more fully declare that Christ is, and ought to be worshipped, equally with the Father, by all creatures, to all eternity! Happy those who shall adore and praise in heaven, and who shall for ever bless the Lamb, who delivered and set them apart for himself by his blood. How worthy art thou, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, of our highest praises! All creatures should proclaim thy greatness, and adore thy majesty.*

--Matthew Henry

## STEP 5 - FINAL ACTIVITY or THOUGHTS

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What are the elements of Revelation 5:12? Select members of the House Church or ask for volunteers to read the scriptures relating to each element that explains why Jesus is worthy.

#### 1. Jesus was SLAIN.

**Isaiah 53:5** - But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.

## **2. Jesus is ALL-POWERFUL.**

**Isaiah 43:13** - Also henceforth I am he; there is none who can deliver from my hand; I work, and who can turn it back?"

**Matthew 19:26** - But Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."

**Ephesians 3:20** - Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us,

## **3. Jesus is RICH.**

**Deuteronomy 10:14** - Behold, to the Lord your God belong heaven and the heaven of heavens, the earth with all that is in it.

## **4. Jesus is ALL-KNOWING.**

**Hebrews 4:13** - And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

## **5. Jesus is MIGHTY.**

**Zephaniah 3:17** - The Lord your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing.

## **6. Jesus is HONORED.**

**1 Peter 3:15** - but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect,

## **7. Jesus is GLORIFIED.**

**John 17:4** - I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do.

**John 13:31** - When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him."

## **8. Jesus is BLESSED.**

**2 Corinthians 11:31** - The God and Father of the Lord Jesus, he who is blessed forever, knows that I am not lying.