

# Declaring the whole counsel of God

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### WHO IS WORTHY?

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#### **Beyond the Veil**

In Revelation 5:1-6 the apostle John finds himself beyond the veil, in the Spirit, seeing a scroll in the right hand of Him who sat on the throne. This scroll was sealed perfectly, *seven seals*, and there was no-one in heaven, earth or under the earth found worthy to open the scroll, loose its seals, or even to look at it!

#### **The mystery had been hidden**

The eternal purpose of God for His people (**Eph.3:11**), the mystery of Christ and His Body the Church (**Eph.3:5**), and the plans God prepared beforehand for His people (**1Cor.2:9**), had been hidden from ages and generations from the sons of men - **Colossians 1:26, Ephesians 3:9**.

Since Adam fell, the way to the tree of life had been guarded (**Gen.3:24**). The *scroll had been sealed*; man was in the dark concerning the mystery of Christ. No-one was worthy to open it up. No-one was worthy to reveal the mystery and make it known. Neither Enoch, Elijah, Moses, Abraham, Samuel, David, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel; no-one was worthy!

#### **Who is worthy?**

John wept (**Rev.5:4**). If no-one can open the scroll, there is no hope for humanity. IF no-one can open the scroll the mystery will never be revealed to the sons of men! Who is going to open the scroll so that we can all partake and have the mystery revealed?

An elder comforted John - **there is Someone worthy!** *“The Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has prevailed to open the scroll and to loose its seven seals”* - Revelation 5:5.

#### **A King, a Lion, the Root prevailed!**

A King came. The Lion from Judah is Shiloh, the great Ruler to whom the people will be gathered and become obedient to Him. *“Judah is a lion’s whelp...He bows down, he lies down as a lion; and as a lion, who shall rouse him? The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until SHILOH comes; and to Him shall be the obedience of the people”* Genesis 49:9-10. The Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Promised One, the King from Judah has come and prevailed – He overcame. Jesus is the One who saith, *“Be of good cheer, I have overcome the world”* John 16:33.

**There is a Man that did it! There is a Man who overcame the world! Defeated every temptation! Was perfectly obedient to the Father! There is an Overcomer! He has prevailed! There is now hope for everyone!**

*The Messiah, the Root of Jesse, the Root of David*, came with the Anointing of the Spirit of Yahweh and became a ***“banner to the people, Gentiles shall seek Him, and His resting place will be glorious”*** - Isaiah 11:1-2,10! Jesus is the ***“Root of Jesse”*** who has the *seven spirits of God*, ***“the Spirit of Yahweh shall rest upon Him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of Yahweh”*** Isaiah 11:2. He is the ***Root of David***, who is now a banner for all people to come to. I came to Him when I was eighteen years old – He is now the Root of my life!

**He prevailed!**

### **The Lion is a Lamb**

When John turned to look at this King, the Lion - he saw a Lamb (Rev.5:6). ***The Lion is a Lamb. The King is a Priest.*** He prevailed through sacrifice unto death! Apostle Paul said that because of Jesus' humility to become a man, become obedient to death and even the humiliating death of the cross that ***“Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name that at the name of JESUS every knee shall bow, of those in the heavens, of those on the earth, and of those under the earth”*** - Philippians 2:9-11. Every realm of creation now acknowledges the One who overcame. His name is now the One which carries all the authority of God. In Him we know God. In Him, the mystery is revealed! In Him, God's eternal purpose can now be outworked in the earth!

**He prevailed!**

### **A Man on the Throne**

Jesus, the Lamb, is on the Throne. The Man Christ Jesus, who is God in the flesh, has ascended the Throne and He is worthy to open the scroll and reveal the mystery, ***“which from the beginning of the ages has been hidden in God who created all things through Jesus Christ, to the intent that now the manifold wisdom of God might be made known by the church to the principalities and powers in the heavenlies”*** - Ephesians 3:9-10

Now the eternal purpose of God in creation has been accomplished in this Man, ***“this is according to God's eternal purpose which He accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord”*** Ephesians 3:11.

**We are in the time now where the scroll is open**, the seals have been loosed and we are to come to know the ***“word of God, the mystery...to them (the saints) God willed to make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles/nations; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory”*** - Colossians 1:26-27. The mystery is now being revealed – Christ in a people! The One who prevailed

is now prevailing and overcoming within a people in the earth! The scroll is opened! God's eternal purpose is now coming to pass!

## **Restoration**

God is restoring true and holy apostles and prophets to the church in these days because the *“the mystery of Christ, which in other ages was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to His holy apostles and prophets”* - **Ephesians 3:5**. Apostles and prophets have the responsibility to make the mystery of Christ known to the saints. This is the inheritance of the saints – to know and walk in the revelation of the mystery of Christ - *“The wisdom of God in a mystery, the hidden wisdom which God ordained before the ages for our glory”* - **1 Corinthians 2:6-7**.

**The scroll is open. The unfolding eternal purpose of God is now being made manifest because JESUS was found worthy to open it up for all of humanity!**

## **Pouring out the Spirit of God**

Now the Lamb, Jesus, is sending the *“seven spirits of God into all the earth”* - **Revelation 5:6**. The Holy Spirit has been poured out so we can come to know these deep and awesome plans of God by His Spirit. **“He has revealed them to us by His Spirit”** - **1 Corinthians 2:10**.

What Jesus accomplished through His death, burial, resurrection and ascension is continuing to unfold before us:

- ⇒ Every spiritual blessing in the heavenlies is available to us (**Eph.1:3**).
- ⇒ Membership in the household of God (**Eph.2:19**),
- ⇒ heavenly citizenship (**Phil.3:20, Eph.2:19**),
- ⇒ a living stone in the spiritual house (**1Pet.2:4-5**), the holy temple,
- ⇒ placement as mature sons into the inheritance (**Eph.1:5**),
- ⇒ the kingdom of God (**Luke12:32**)
- ⇒ and being heirs of the world! (**Rom.4:13**)
- ⇒ The restoration of all creation and the destruction of the wicked (**Rom.8:19-21, 2Pet.3:10-13**).

**The scroll is open. There is One who is worthy!  
JESUS the Lion of Judah, the Root of David, the Lamb, has prevailed!**