

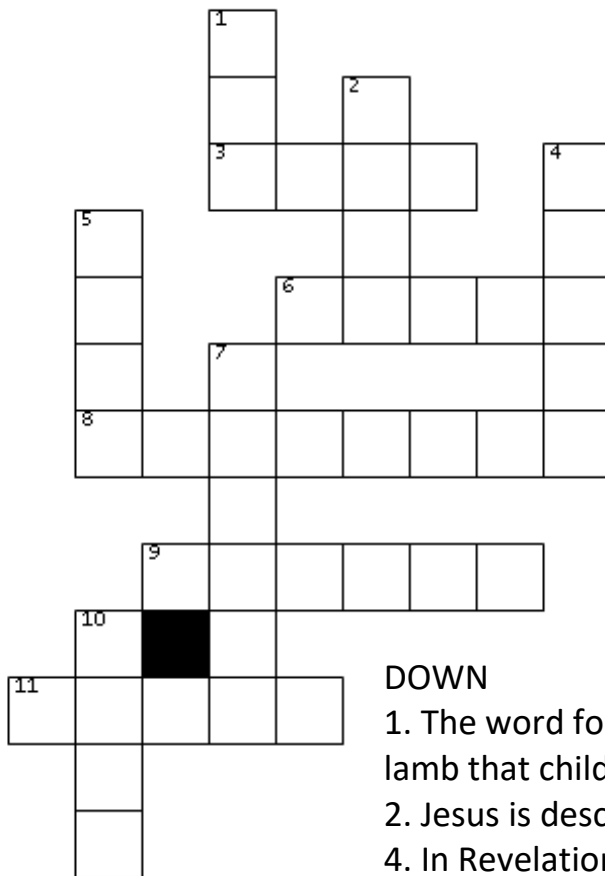
Revelation
Lesson 9
Revelation 5:8-14

Memory Verse – Revelation 22:5 – “And there shall be _____ night _____; and they _____ no _____, neither _____ of the _____; for the Lord _____ giveth them _____: and they shall _____ for ever and ever.”

Memory Verse for the Next Lesson – Revelation 22:6 – “And he said unto me, these sayings are faithful and true: and the Lord God of the holy prophets sent his angel to shew unto his servants the things which must shortly be done.”

Passage to Read for the Next Lesson – Revelation 6:1-8

Review – From Revelation 5:1-7



ACROSS

- 3. Jesus _____ the scroll from the right hand of the One who sat on the throne.
- 6. The Lamb _____ in the midst of the throne.
- 8. It was unusual to write on the _____ of a scroll.
- 9. Only one who was _____ could loose the seals and open the scroll.
- 11. The _____ meant only someone authorized could open the scroll.

DOWN

- 1. The word for lamb in Revelation 5:6 refers to a young lamb that children would want as a _____.
- 2. Jesus is described as the _____ of David.
- 4. In Revelation 5, Jesus moves from His priestly ministry to His ministry as _____ and King.
- 5. John sees Jesus as a _____ that had been slain.
- 7. The "book" spoken of in Revelation 5:1 is really a _____.
- 10. When John _____ in Revelation 5:4, it was a loud, despairing wail of anguish.

Revelation 5:8-14

When the Lamb takes the scroll an ever surging and increasing chorus of praise commences.

1. First, the 4 “beasts” and 24 elders – Revelation 5:8-10
2. Second, they are joined by millions of angels – Revelation 5:11-12.
3. Third, they are joined by every created being – Revelation 5:13-14.

Of course, this universal praise is a future event that John sees in a vision of the future. Relatively speaking, there is currently only a smattering of praise for God as Creator and Purchaser. The taking of the scroll marks the beginning of the end of this current world system. The taking of the scroll marks the moment the Messiah moves from His priestly ministry to his ministry as judge and king. Have you ever wondered when will God intervene? When will He say, “Enough!” It’s at this moment when the Lion/Lamb takes the scroll from the Father’s hand.

Revelation 5:8-10

The song of praise that is sung by the twenty-four elders helps us to finally indentify them. The KJV says “us” and “we” when describing the ones purchased by the blood of the Lamb (The NAS and NIV say “men” and “them”). Since people, not angels, are the beneficiaries of Christ’s work on the cross, this means the elders are people. The word “redeemed” means to buy or purchase. Christ had said to preach the Gospel to every creature. It appears that at the end of the Church age this mission was to some extent accomplished. (kindred = tribe (7:5), tongue = language, people = ethnic identity?, nation = country?) The Lamb goes far beyond just purchasing the saved, He exalts them in Himself to a position of being kings and priests with Him.

Revelation 5:11-12

When millions of angels join this chorus of praise for the Lamb, they describe the Lamb as worthy (the word we get “worship” from) of seven things – power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory, and blessing. Notice they do not mention being purchased by the Lamb.

Revelation 5:13-14

This chorus of praise swells to unimaginable heights when all created beings join in. How could everyone at this moment, even the unsaved down on the world, join in? Possibility – this will somehow be visible to everyone. Could it be that at the moment they see this they will have no choice but to praise? (Philippians 2:1-11?)