

REV. 5:5



The Vision of Heaven: What words would you use to describe heaven?

The Throne Room: The Throne

- "One seated on the Throne"
- Precious Stones: Jasper, Carnelian, Emerald
- Rainbow radiating around the throne
- "Unapproachable Light" 1 Tim. 6:16

The Throne Room: The 24 Elders

- Around the throne
- White Garments & Victor Crowns
- Two Views:
 - Human
 - Angelic

The Throne Room: The 24 Elders (Human)

- Angels not called elders, no crowns, no thrones
- White in Revelation is always relating to Saints
- Possible: 12 Tribes & 12 Apostles

The Throne Room: The 24 Elders (Angelic)

- No other Humans in Rev. 4
- Wear white in Matt. 28:3, John 20:12, Acts 1:10
- Thrones/Crowns "could be" royal idea
- Rev. 5:8 holding bowls of saint prayers

The Throne Room: Celestial Phenomena

- From the Throne:
 - Lightning, Rumbling, Thunder
 - See 8:1-5; 11:15-19; 16:17-18
- Before the Throne:
 - Torches = 7 Spirits of God 1:4
 - Sea of Glass the Expanse Gen. 1:6,7

The Throne Room: 4 Living Creatures

- Around the throne; on each side
- Full of Eyes = Unceasing vigilance
- Lion, Ox, Man, Eagle multiple ideas
- Combination of Cheribum and Seraphim in Ezekiel 1 & Isaiah 6.

The Throne Room: The Worship - 4 Living Creatures: - Celebrate His Holiness, Omnipotence, **Eternality = Attributes**

- 24 Elders:

-Celebrate His Worthiness & Creative/Sustaining Work = Actions

The Application of Revelation 4:

- Foundation for our Worship
- Appraisal of the Magnificence of God
- Judgement of God is grounded in His Holiness

Do we think too little of God?

Takeaway Thought.

"Glorious beyond compare is the heavenly city. There, victory is truth, dignity is holiness, peace is happiness, life is eternity." Augustine, *City of God*

This Week Try:

Read the throne passages of Isaiah 6 and Ezekiel 1 and note all of the similarities with Revelation 4 & 5.



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