



Kneeling at the Throne of God  
in Heaven

Revelation 4:1-11

# In The Throne Room Of God In Heaven:

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# In The Throne Room Of God In Heaven

- With what spirit and attitude should we enter His presence in worship?
  - Isa. 6:1 - “In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lifted up, and the train of His robe filled the temple.”
  - Dan. 7:9 - “I watched till thrones were put in place, And the Ancient of Days was seated; His garment was white as snow, And the hair of His head was like pure wool. His throne was a fiery flame, Its wheels a burning fire”
- What happens when we kneel at the throne of God?

# Beauty Is Defined

- Beauty surrounds us in various forms
  - Transcending all of them is the beauty of God
  - We have not truly seen or experienced beauty until we've seen God
- God's beauty surpasses anything made by humankind, anything done by humankind, even all of God's own creation in this universe
  - Psalm 27:4 - "One thing I have desired of the LORD, That will I seek: That I may dwell in the house of the LORD All the days of my life, To behold the beauty of the LORD, And to inquire in His temple."

# God Is Exalted

- All other beings are exalted by another; God alone is exalted by no one
- He alone has pre-existing preeminence
  - Heb. 6:13 - “For when God made a promise to Abraham, because He could swear by no one greater, He swore by Himself”

# God Is Exalted

- Psalm 57:5, 11 - “Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; Let Your glory be above all the earth...  
11 Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; Let Your glory be above all the earth.”
- Isa. 25:1 - “O LORD, You are my God. I will exalt You, I will praise Your name, For You have done wonderful things; Your counsels of old are faithfulness and truth.”

# Holiness Is Honored

- God has defined holiness by His Being
  - Psalm 14:1 - “The fool has said in his heart, There is no God”
  - 1Peter 1:15-16 - “But as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, 16 because it is written, Be holy, for I am holy”
  - Isa. 6:3, 5 - “And one cried to another and said: Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; The whole earth is full of His glory! ... 5 So I said: Woe is me, for I am undone! Because I am a man of unclean lips, And I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; For my eyes have seen the King, The LORD of hosts”

# Holiness Is Honored

- Rev. 4:8 - “The four living creatures, each having six wings, were full of eyes around and within. And they do not rest day or night, saying: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, Who was and is and is to come!”
  - “Holy, holy, holy” is called the trihagion
  - In the Complutensian Polyglot (1520), the trihagion is repeated three times
- Holiness is honored in the throne room of God

# Humankind Is Humbled

- Humility

- Rom. 12:3 - “For I say, through the grace given to me, to everyone who is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, as God has dealt to each one a measure of faith.”

# Humankind Is Humbled

- In the throne room of God it is about God and Who He is; humankind has no place there but that of humble awe
  - Psalm 144:3-4 - “LORD, what is man, that You take knowledge of him? Or the son of man, that You are mindful of him? 4 Man is like a breath; His days are like a passing shadow.”

# Humankind Is Humbled

- Rev. 4:9-10 - “Whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to Him who sits on the throne, who lives forever and ever, 10 the twenty-four elders fall down before Him who sits on the throne and worship Him who lives forever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne...”

# Praise Is Lifted

- Praise is the act of lauding, commending, approving, honoring, glorifying, and admiring another
  - Psalm 145:21 - “My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD, And all flesh shall bless His holy name Forever and ever.”
  - Psalm 148:13 - “Let them praise the name of the LORD, For His name alone is exalted; His glory is above the earth and heaven.”

# Praise Is Lifted

- Rev. 4:11 - “You are worthy, O Lord, To receive glory and honor and power; For You created all things, And by Your will they exist and were created.”
- Heb. 13:15 - “Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name.”

# Authority Is Respected

- To respect authority is to do things as the One in authority reckons necessary.
- Jesus never went beyond God's authority
  - John 12:49-50 - “For I have not spoken on My own authority; but the Father who sent Me gave Me a command, what I should say and what I should speak. 50 And I know that His command is everlasting life. Therefore, whatever I speak, just as the Father has told Me, so I speak.”

# Authority Is Respected

- There are no images or potential for rebellion or disrespect before the throne of God.
- God's worship in His throne room is conducted according to His pleasure as He has authorized. There will be no innovations or ideas of men practiced there.
  - Rev. 4:11 - “You are worthy, O Lord, To receive glory and honor and power; For You created all things, And by Your will they exist and were created.”
  - John 4:24 - “God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.”

# Worship Is Fulfilled

- In the throne room of God, God alone is worshiped. In worship there are the worshiper and the One being worshiped.
  - Rev. 19:10 - “And I fell at his feet to worship him. But he said to me, See that you do not do that! I am your fellow servant, and of your brethren who have the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.”
  - Rev. 22:8-9 - “Now I, John, saw and heard these things. And when I heard and saw, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel who showed me these things. 9 Then he said to me, See that you do not do that. For I am your fellow servant, and of your brethren the prophets, and of those who keep the words of this book. Worship God.”

# Worship Is Fulfilled

- When we enter the actual throne room of God in heaven, we cannot help but worship before God's throne. It will be the final, fulfilling act of a human being to worship God forever.
  - Psalm 29:2 - “Give unto the LORD the glory due to His name; Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.”

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- Neh. 9:6 - “You alone are the LORD; You have made heaven, The heaven of heavens, with all their host, The earth and everything on it, The seas and all that is in them, And You preserve them all. The host of heaven worships You.”
- Isa. 51:11 - “So the ransomed of the LORD shall return, And come to Zion with singing, With everlasting joy on their heads. They shall obtain joy and gladness; Sorrow and sighing shall flee away.”
- 1Peter 2:9 - “But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light”

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- Rev. 5:11-12 - “Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels around the throne, the living creatures, and the elders; and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands, 12 saying with a loud voice: Worthy is the Lamb who was slain To receive power and riches and wisdom, And strength and honor and glory and blessing!”
- Rev. 7:11-12 - “All the angels stood around the throne and the elders and the four living creatures, and fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, 12 saying: Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom, Thanksgiving and honor and power and might, Be to our God forever and ever. Amen.”

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- Rev. 15:2-3 - “And I saw something like a sea of glass mingled with fire, and those who have the victory over the beast, over his image and over his mark and over the number of his name, standing on the sea of glass, having harps of God. 3 They sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying: Great and marvelous are Your works, Lord God Almighty! Just and true are Your ways, O King of the saints!”
- Rev. 19:6-7 - “And I heard, as it were, the voice of a great multitude, as the sound of many waters and as the sound of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigns! 7 Let us be glad and rejoice and give Him glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His wife has made herself ready.”

# In The Throne Room Of God In Heaven

- Until then - Matt. 18:20 - “For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them.”
- In what manner are you presenting yourself to the Lord in worship today?