

1)"AND I SAW IN THE RIGHT HAND OF HIM THAT SAT ON THE THRONE A BOOK WRITTEN WITHIN AND ON THE BACK SIDE, SEALED WITH SEVEN SEALS."

Now this book is not only dealing with the book of Revelations, it actually has to do with the whole word of GOD because we find that the book of Revelation is synonomous with a lot of the prophecies given by the prophets of old. Daniel goes along with Revelation, both speak of the abomination. Matthew 24 speaks of the abomination. Chapter 13 of Revelation brings out about the whole world being united and "all kings and nations and tongues should serve him."(Rev 13:3-7) and so forth. So you can't isolate Revelation from the other books of the Bible. We find that Isaiah and Jeremiah speak about babylon, and it's destruction. And we find the book of Revelation speaks about babylon, "come out of her MY people". She also will be destroyed. So this is the whole word of YAHWEH. And "sealed with seven seals" the number 7 is heavenly completeness, indicating that it is completely sealed, and no one understands the Bible. This is the way; when you start out with this understanding, you make progress, when you realize that no one understands the Bible until HE begins to give the understanding to those whom HE has selected.

2)"AND I SAW A STRONG ANGEL PROCLAIMING WITH A LOUD VOICE, WHO IS WORTHY TO OPEN THE BOOK, AND TO LOOSE THE SEALS THEREOF?"

Now, who is worthy? Who deserves this honor "to open the book and loose the seals thereof?" In other words, to open up the understanding.

3)"AND NO MAN IN HEAVEN, NOR IN EARTH, NEITHER UNDER THE EARTH, WAS ABLE TO OPEN THE BOOK, NEITHER TO LOOK THEREON."

So there was no one who actually was worthy of opening up the understanding. This is an honor, the greatest honor that YAHWEH could bestow upon HIS creatures.

4)"AND I WEPT MUCH, BECAUSE NO MAN WAS FOUND WORTHY TO OPEN AND READ THE BOOK, NEITHER TO LOOK THERON."

John was actually in the spirit and he knew the necessity of having the understanding opened up and he saw that it was completely sealed and there was no one worthy to open it up. Indicating that there was a possibility that no one would ever get the understanding, which was so essential for the honor of YAHWEH and for the blessing of the human race.

5)"AND ONE OF THE ELDERS SAITH UNTO ME, WEEP NOT: BEHOLD THE LION OF THE TRIBE OF JUDAH, THE ROOT OF DAVID, HATH PREVAILED TO OPEN THE BOOK, AND TO LOOSE THE SEVEN SEALS THEREOF."

Now the "Lion of the tribe of Judah" actually is Yahshua, who came from the tribe of Judah, the Messiah. He is the only one that upheld His FATHER'S name, maintained His integrity in a perfect manner, In other words, He was perfect to begin with and He was not tempted to the extent where He was swayed in anyway. He was tested, but He never swayed. And He says concerning Himself and the world, He says: "fear not the world, I have overcome the world."(Jn 16:33). Now this is more than any other living creature has done because all other creatures have been imperfect--are created imperfect, have been born imperfect, you might say, and none of them have been able to uphold their FATHER'S name in a perfect manner. But Yahshua alone has done this. So He is actually given the priveledge, the honor. So HE says "behold the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the root of David." In other words, you can trace His lineage back to David. "hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof."

6)"AND I BEHELD, AND LO, IN THE MIDST OF THE THRONE AND OF THE FOUR BEASTS, AND IN THE MIDST OF THE ELDERS, STOOD A LAMB AS IT HAD BEEN SLAIN, HAVING SEVEN HORNS AND SEVEN EYES, WHICH ARE THE SEVEN SPIRITS OF GOD SENT FORTH INTO ALL THE EARTH."

Now "in the midst of the throne" there was a "Lamb as it had been slain" Now Yahshua is symbolically referred to as the "Lamb of GOD" the "sacrificial Lamb". When He was walking on earth, John the baptist said "Behold the Lamb of GOD, which takes away the sins of the world," So actually in the type a literal lamb was slain to symbolize that there would be a true sacrifice which would actually redeem mankind, pay for the sins of mankind, redeem and restore the human race. And this Lamb is actually fulfilled in Yahshua, who the world call Jesus the Messiah. Now "having seven horns" Horns symbolize power. YAHWEH says HE will cut the horns of the wicked,(Ps 75:10), or the power of the wicked. Having seven horns means that He had complete heavenly power. And seven eyes--or complete heavenly wisdom. He has been given all power and all wisdom in the heavens. He has been made "the express image of HIS FATHER" the scriptures bring out. (Heb. 1:3) And the reason YAHWEH did this is because He proved Himself. HE knew that HE would not be giving Him authority which He would in anyway misuse, HE had absolute confidence in HIS Son, because of the way He proved Himself.

7)"AND HE CAME AND TOOK THE BOOK OUT OF THE RIGHT HAND OF HIM THAT SAT UPON THE THRONE."

He took the book from YAHWEH'S hand.

8)"AND WHEN HE HAD TAKEN THE BOOK, THE FOUR BEASTS AND FOUR AND TWENTY ELDERS FELL DOWN BEFORE THE LAMB, HAVING EVERYONE OF THEM HARPS, AND GOLDEN VIALS FULL OF ODORS, WHICH ARE THE PRAYERS OF THE SAINTS."

Now when He took the book, the four and twenty elders, or all of those who represent the ruling authority in heaven and earth, "fell down before the Lamb having everyone of them harps and golden vials full

of odors which are the prayers of the saints" Well harps are musical instruments, these would indicate a joyous message or a message that makes the heart glad, as music does. And the vials full of odors, or incens or perfume you might say, these are symbolically referred to as "the prayers of the saints" because they are prayers which are pleasing YAHWEH, prayers which are in harmony with YAHWEH. They're not praying 'will you please make me a millionaire that I can enjoy myself' they're not praying these kind of prayers. They are praying prayers that will vindicate the name of YAHWEH, THE ALMIGHTY GOD. In other words, the prayer that Yahshua told us to pray " Thy kingdom come thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven."(Matt 6:10) In other words, that YAHWEH'S purpose might go forward. We pray that YAHWEH'S name may be vindicated, that HIS purpose may be done, that all creatures will come to know HIM and honor HIM and obey HIM. So these prayers are actually pictured as prayers which are like a perfume to YAHWEH, pleasing to YAHWEH.

9)"AND THEY SUNG A NEW SONG, SAYING, THOU ART WORTHY TO TAKE THE BOOK, AND TO OPEN THE SEALS THEREOF: FOR THOU WAST SLAIN, AND HAST REDEEMED US TO GOD BY THY BLOOD OUT OF EVERY KINDRED, AND TONGUE, AND PEOPLE, AND NATION."

Now the Authorized says "hast redeemed us" This is not the case. We find that what it should say is "AND YOU HAVE REDEEMED MEN OUT OF EVERY KINDRED AND TONGUE AND PEOPLE AND NATION."(Revised Standard Version). Verse 10 also to be read in R.S.V.:

10)"AND HAST MADE THEM A KINGDOM AND PRIESTS TO OUR GOD, AND THEY SHALL REIGN ON EARTH.

Now the joy they were referring to here is that YAHWEH had actually done this thing, that HE had established the New Jerusalem, that HE had chosen people out of every kindred, nation, and tongue and made them kings and priests(Rev. 20:6). Revelation 20 says "Blessed is he who has part in the first resurrection. On such the second death has no power and they shall be priests of GOD and of Christ and reign with Him a thousand years." Means those who have part in the first resurrection will reign with Him. Revelation 14 says that "A Lamb stood on Mount Sion and with Him a 144,000" then HE says: "These are first fruits unto GOD and to the Lamb" showing that these are part of the first resurrection. This 144,000 being first with the Lamb, and the kings and priests being of the first resurrection, shows that they are one and the same. James 1:18 brings out that "we are a kind of first fruits" and he was an apostle. So the confusion comes in because YAHWEH says here that kings and priests are taken out of every kindred, tongue and nation. And when HE says they're taken from the 12 tribes of Israel(Rev 7:14) it shows that they're taken from Israel who strives for HIS blessing because "the Israel of the flesh is not the Israel of GOD". They're taken from those who measure up to requirements of a true Israelite. And Hosea verifies what Paul says in Romans 9, by saying "Those who are not MY people shall become MY people and Israel shall be as the sands of the sea which can neither

be measured nor numbered nor counted."(Hos 1:10). So the gentiles can measure up to this blessing. Paul also says: "Blindness for a time has fallen on Israel until the gentiles come in, and then all Israel will be saved."(Rom 11:25,26). This shows that when this blindness came on Israel, HE turned HIS attention to gentiles, so they would be included in Israel. Then when everyon is gathered Israel will include both fleshly Israel and gentiles as well. Paul also says: "Yet in Christ there's no jew, no greek, no male or female."(Gal 3:28). So true Israel of GOD is made up of those possessing attributes of original Jacob(Israel) who strove for HIS blessings.

11)"AND I BEHELD, AND I HEARD THE VOICE OF MANY ANGELS
ROUND ABOUT THE THRONE, AND THE BEASTS,AND THE ELDERS,
AND THE NUMBER OF THEM WAS TEN THOUSAND TIMES TEN THOUS-
AND AND THOUSANDS OF THOUSANDS;"

YAHWEH'S not showing here that ther's any specific number because if you multiplied 10,000 x 10,000 you'd get a million but when you add and "thousands of thousands" you no longer have a specific number. HE'S just indicating the innumerable heavenly host that surround and serve YAHWEH.

12)"SAYING WITH A LOUD VOICE, WORTHY IS THE LAMB THAT WAS
SLAIN TO RECEIVE POWER, AND RICHES, AND WISDOM, AND STRENGTH
AND HONOR, AND GLORY,AND BLESSING."

Means all creatures will recognize that Yahshua's worthy of this because He's overcome in a manner that no other crature has overcome of this wicked world in. He's actually gave up His heavenly 'home', the blessings, He's shared with HIS FATHER and came down as a man and was killed as a criminal, completely despised, rejected, spit upon, this was an agony that shouldn't even befall a true criminal, let alone someone whose altogether righteous, pure and holy.

13)"AND EVERY CREATURE WHICH IS IN HEAVEN, AND ON THE EARTH,
AND UNDER THE EARTH,AND SUCH AS ARE IN THE SEA, AND ALL THAT
ARE IN THEM HEARD I SAYING, BLESSING AND HONOR AND GLORY AND
POWER BE UNTO HIM THAT SITTETH UPON THE THRONE, AND UNTO THE
LAMB FOREVER AND EVER."

Says theres two --"One that sitteth upon the throne" and "the Lamb". Showing the FATHER and the Son are two separate powers. Every creature, shows all of YAHWEH'S creation, those who have HIM as their FATHER, those who have and employ HIS attributes. Although YAHWEH created all life, those who aren't in harmony with HIM, HE says: "You are of your father the devil and the lusts of your father ye will do" (John 8:44). So when HE says all creatures shall honor HIM, referring to creatures who measure up to HIS attributes and these recognize YAHWEH as their GOD. The devil's people do not.

14)"AND THE FOUR BEASTS SAID AMEN. AND THE FOUR AND TWENTY
ELDERS FELL DOWN AND WORSHIPPED HIM THAT LIVETH FOREVER AND EVER."

Again the complete authority in heaven and earth worshipped HIM, now HE begins to open the seals [goes to Revelation 6]