

The Revelation to St. John

The Coronation and Enthronement of the Lamb: Revelation 5:1-14

“The Crucified is the Victor; He stands at the center of the throne room of God the King, the Servant who has gained life by losing it.” –Martin Franzmann, *The Revelation to John: A Commentary*, p.57

Understanding the Text

Read Revelation 5:1-7.

1. What is the significance of the scroll and its seven seals? (v.1)
2. Why does John begin to weep? (vv.2-4)
3. What causes John to stop weeping? (v.5)
4. How does John describe the Lamb who ascends the throne, and what is the significance? (vv.6-7)

Read Revelation 5:8-14.

5. What happens when the Lamb takes the scroll? (v.8)
6. What is the new song that the heavenly host sings? (v.9-10)

7. How do all the angels join in the song? (vv.11-12)

8. How does all creation join in the song? (vv.13-14)

Applying the Text

Jesus is Lord over all history.

1. What comfort is there in the fact that the One who can open the scroll is the Lamb who was slain? (Revelation 5:4-7) How might we apply this to the 2016 election cycle?

Heaven's song echoes down to earth.

2. When you sing the praises of the Crucified and Risen Lord, who is singing with you? (Revelation 5:8-14)

3. What comfort do we have in the persecution we undergo from the way John continues to identify Jesus as the One who was slain?