



**Mustard Seed Sunday School Lesson Summary for April 22, 2007
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"Jesus Is the Lamb"

**DEVOTIONAL READING: Psalm 107:1-9.
BACKGROUND SCRIPTURE: Revelation 5.
PRINTED TEXT: Revelation 5:1-5, 11-14.
READ: Revelation 5:1-14.**

**TIME: about A.D. 96
PLACE: from Patmos**

GOLDEN TEXT: "Blessing, and honor, and glory, and power, be unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever" (Revelation 5:13).

PRINTED LESSON TEXT

Revelation 5:1-5, 11-14

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.

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?

3 And no man in heaven, nor in earth, neither under the earth, was able to open the book, neither to look thereon.

4 And I wept much, because no man was found worthy to open and to read the book, neither to look thereon.

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.

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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 thousand, and thousands of thousands;

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.

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 for ever and ever.

14 And the four beasts said, Amen. And the four and twenty elders fell down and worshipped him that liveth for ever and ever.

TEACHER'S NOTES ON THE LESSON

The events of this week's lesson from Revelation 5 are a continuation of the account in last week's lesson. The Apostle John was being given a glimpse of heavenly activities scheduled for the future. Then God wanted the information preserved for others, including us, to read (1:19).

All heaven seemed to be awaiting the arrival of a person worthy to receive a certain assignment from Him who sat on the throne. When John wept because no one was forthcoming, he was told, "Weep not" (5:5). The worthy one had arrived. He was called the "Lion of the tribe of Juda." But when John looked, what he saw was not the form of a lion but that of a lamb.

This Lamb appeared to have been slain, yet it was alive, for it approached the throne and accepted a sealed book, or scroll, from God's hand. The Lamb alone was deemed worthy to open the sealed events that would come upon the earth. Clearly, the Lamb was Christ, as John the Baptist had announced (John 1:29).

Those around the throne offered the Lamb worship similar to that offered earlier to God the Father. If any future readers should question who the Lamb was, this text would provide the answer. The Lamb, Jesus, is God.

The Father was worshiped because He had created all things (Rev. 4:11). The Lamb was worshiped because He had redeemed men from "every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation" (5:9). He was the Saviour.

Countless angels loudly joined in this praise. Then every created being in heaven, earth, and sea praised the One who sat upon the throne and the Lamb. Their praise would continue forever and ever.

After considering such Scripture, do we not find ourselves wanting to praise the Lord? Expect your primaries to be moved as well.

THE OBJECT IN VIEW:

Teach that Jesus, like God the Father, is deserving of our praise because of who He is and deserves our thanks because of what He has done.

TRUTHS TO STRESS:

1. Jesus is present in heaven with God the Father.
2. He is seen as the slain Lamb because He bought us by His death.
3. People in heaven and angels give Him the same worship they give God.

PLANNING VISUAL AIDS

For Telling the Lesson, bring pictures of a biblical crowd, a lamb, and a cross. Print "deserve" on a flash card.

For Helping to Remember, provide for each student a sheet of light blue construction paper and crayons (or markers).

BEGINNING THE LESSON

Do you remember last Sunday's Bible lesson? Jesus let His friend John see something special. He saw into heaven. He saw God's throne. He saw God sitting on it, bright and beautiful. Then John saw someone else too, and that is what today's lesson is about.

TELLING THE LESSON

We have to start way, way back, when Jesus was still here on earth. One day a man sent by God was preaching to a crowd. (Show crowd.) When he saw Jesus coming toward him, he said, "Look! The Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world" (cf. John 1:29). What did he mean?

At that time, when people knew they had done something wrong and needed God to forgive them, they would bring a perfect lamb and kill it. (Show lamb.) The lamb died, which showed that someone would have to die so that their sin could be taken away.

The man who was preaching meant that Jesus was the one who would die for people's sin. He was the Lamb who could really take sins away. (Show cross.)

Now think of what John saw and heard in heaven. All the people around God's throne were saying, "You deserve to have everyone bow down to You, for You have made everything." (Show "deserve.") Then John saw something more.

He saw a Lamb. (Show lamb.) This Lamb looked as if it had been killed, but it was standing. It was alive. Boys and girls, who died but is alive again? Who is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world? The fact that John saw the Lamb in heaven means that Jesus is alive in heaven with God the Father.

John kept watching. He saw God put Jesus the Lamb in charge of all that was about to happen on the earth. He saw the people and the living things bow down in front of the Lamb, just as they had bowed before God the Father. They began to sing, "You deserve to be in charge. You died to bring us to God from all over the earth." (Show "deserve.")

John saw angels then-*so many that he could not count them-all around*

God's throne, along with the people and the living creatures. With a loud voice they said, "The Lamb who was killed deserves to rule. He is wise and strong. He deserves praise because of who He is and what He did." (Show "deserve.")

Then everybody in heaven and on earth and everywhere praised God and Jesus the Lamb. The people around the throne bowed down.

TELLING HOW TO LIVE

Does all that make *you* want to thank Jesus? Who wants to be first?

Have the students fold their blue paper in half, then open it and print "Jesus Is the Lamb" just above the fold. On the bottom half they should draw a brown hill and a cross.

EXPLAINING THE GOLDEN TEXT

"Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, be unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever" (Revelation 5:13).

God the Father was sitting on His throne. Jesus was there. He looked like a lamb in order to remind us that He is the Lamb of God, who took away the sin of the world. The verse says it is right to thank God the Father and Jesus for who They are and for what They have done.

MUSTARD SEED LESSON ACTIVITIES:

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORDS:

1. "And I saw in the right hand of Him who sat on the throne a (**STICK, SCROLL**) written inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals." **REVELATION 5:1**

2. "Then I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, 'Who is (**WORTHY, READY**) to open the scroll and to loose its seals?' " **REVELATION 5:2**

TRUE OR FALSE:

3. "So I wept much, because no one was found worthy to open and read the scroll, or to look at it." **REVELATION 5:4 TRUE OR FALSE**

CIRCLE THE CORRECT WORD:

4. "But one of the elders said to me, 'Do not weep. Behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has (**PREVAILED, FAILED**) to open the scroll and to loose its seven seals.' " **REVELATION 5:5**

John writes...

FILL IN THE BLANKS:

1. "And I saw in the right hand of Him who sat on the throne a _____ written inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals." **REVELATION 5:1**

2. "Then I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, 'Who is _____ to open the scroll and to loose its seals?' " **REVELATION 5:2**

TRUE OR FALSE:

3. "So I wept much, because no one was found worthy to open and read the scroll, or to look at it." **REVELATION 5:4 TRUE OR FALSE**

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REVELATION 5:5

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F I W D D W N S D T V T N D L
N T N A O E B M B H Q H Y L M
Q Q V R T S V H T G F R Y L X
Z I T T W O R S H I P O C Q R
D H I D S Y Q I R R W N Q T U
Y R N E V A E H M E I E M Q K
W A N G E L F J L H D Y G O P
E D F E N C D U L B G L O V S
D A N W R J L D D K N B E L Y
F J R A S E J A N E I J A N X
I N J T H O X H L S S E F H V
D O Y B H E C I O V S E K O G
L A M B A V I U Q R E I R J Q
T P Z O I W K Z Q S L P D V X
N L F H Z N W W V M B S E O E

ANGEL
DAVID
ELDERS
JOHN
RIGHT
VOICE
WRITTEN

BLESSING
DESERVE
HAND
JUDAH
SEALS
WORSHIP

BOOK
EARTH
HEAVEN
LAMB
THRONE
WORTHY

19 of 19 words were placed into the puzzle.

Jesus Is the Lamb Solution

++++ D W N ++ T + T + + +
+++ A O E + + + H + H + + +
++ V R T + + + + G + R + + +
+ I T T W O R S H I P O + + +
D H I + + + + + R R + N + + +
Y R N E V A E H + E + E + + K
W A N G E L + J + + D + + O +
E D + + + + + U + + G L O + S
+ A N + + + + D D + N B E L +
+ + R A + + + A + E I + A N +
+ + + T H + + H + + S E + H +
+ + + + H E C I O V S E + O +
L A M B + + + + + E + R J +
+ + + + + + + + + L + + V +
+ + + + + + + + + B + + + E

(Over,Down,Direction)

ANGEL(2,7,E)

BLESSING(11,15,N)

BOOK(12,9,NE)

DAVID(5,1,SW)

DESERVE(9,9,SE)

EARTH(1,8,SE)

ELDERS(13,9,NW)

HAND(5,11,NW)

HEAVEN(8,6,W)

JOHN(14,13,N)

JUDAH(8,7,S)

LAMB(1,13,E)

RIGHT(10,5,N)

SEALS(11,12,NE)

THRONE(12,1,S)

VOICE(10,12,W)

WORSHIP(5,4,E)

WORTHY(6,1,SW)

WRITTEN(1,7,NE)

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