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Main Idea: Revelation 4 lifts our eyes from “the things that are” to “the things to come.” The goal of prophecy is not merely to satisfy curiosity about the future, but to lead us to deeper worship of the God who holds the future.



Warm Up

Question: When you think about the future, what emotion do you feel most often; excitement, fear, curiosity, confusion, hope or something else?



Know It

Things That Are

The Hereafter material identifies three parts of “the things that are”: the Age of the Gentiles (Luke 21:24), the 70 × 7’s (Daniel 9:24–27), and the Church Age (Resurrection to Rapture).

Discussion Questions:

1. What do the Age of the Gentiles, the 70 × 7’s, and the Church Age help us recognize about God’s plan?
2. Why is it important to understand where we are in God’s plan without becoming focused only on predicting the future?
3. How should knowing that we are living in the Church Age shape the way we live and serve Christ today?

Things to Come

Revelation 4 brings John into the throne room of heaven. The scene includes the 24 elders, the seven Spirits of God, and the promise of John 14:1–3. Heaven is filled with worship as God’s holiness, authority, and worthiness are proclaimed.

Discussion Questions:

1. What stands out most to you about the throne room in Revelation 4, especially the 24 elders, their white garments, and their crowns?
2. What comfort do you find in Jesus’ promise in John 14:1–3 that He is preparing a place for His people and will come again?
3. What does the worship of heaven—especially the elders casting their crowns before God—teach us about how we should respond to God today?

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Share It

Personal Reflection Question

1. What part of Revelation 4 most strengthens your faith?
2. How does seeing God on His throne change your perspective on current events?



Live It

Application Questions:

1. What would you change in your daily life if you lived more aware that God is on His throne?
2. What “crown” or achievement do you need to lay before the Lord?

Closing Thought: The future is not merely a matter of obtaining information; it is about knowing the God who holds the future.



Prayer