



Park Community Church

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Worthy is the Lamb
Revelation 5:1-14

Summary

This Easter Sunday sermon from Revelation 5 focuses on the worthiness of Jesus Christ to open the scroll containing God's plan for the world's destiny. Revelation 5 emphasizes that Jesus earned the right to open this scroll through His victory over sin, Satan, and death through His crucifixion and resurrection. This vision should give believers confidence and hope, knowing that God's purposes will be fulfilled and that Jesus has conquered the forces that held humanity captive.

Questions

1. What does the sealed scroll in God's right hand represent, and why was it so significant that someone be found worthy to open it?
2. How did John's emotional response (weeping loudly) when no one was found worthy help us understand the gravity of the situation?
3. What does it mean that Jesus 'conquered' and how did His death and resurrection make Him worthy to open the scroll?
4. How does the image of Jesus as both a 'Lion' and a 'Lamb' help us understand different aspects of His character and work?
5. What three forces did Jesus conquer through His death and resurrection, and how does this victory affect our daily lives?
6. How should the truth that Jesus holds the future in His hands change the way we respond to uncertainty and opposition in our lives?
7. What does the worship scene in Revelation 5 teach us about how we should respond to Jesus' worthiness?
8. How can understanding that God's plan will be completely fulfilled give us hope and courage in difficult circumstances?

Application

This week, when you face uncertainty, opposition, or discouragement, remember that Jesus has conquered sin, Satan, and death, and that He holds the future in His hands. Choose one specific area of worry or fear in your life and consciously surrender it to Jesus, trusting in His worthiness and authority over all things.

Key Takeaways

1. Jesus is worthy to open the scroll containing God's plan because He conquered sin, Satan, and death through His death and resurrection
2. God's purposes for the world and for our lives will be completely fulfilled - nothing can thwart His plan
3. The proper response to Jesus' worthiness is worship, relief, and awe-filled gratitude
4. Believers can live with confidence and courage knowing that Jesus holds the future in His hands
5. The resurrection of Jesus is the decisive victory that guarantees the forward progress of God's plan