

JESUS CHRIST'S SPIRITUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Revelation 5

Introduction:

- A. Our Church's financial statements
 - 1. Is not merely i_____ and e_____
 - 2. Is a reflection of m_____ and s_____ in the name of Christ
- B. Revelation 5 uses f_____ terms to picture Christ's activity
 - 1. Can you find yourself in this financial statement?
 - 2. Can you sing the songs of this chapter?

What did Jesus Christ e_____? (1-7)

- A. First, let's review
 - 1. Chapter 4 is the beginning of this vision
 - a. The Father was sitting on the t_____, the Holy Spirit was before it, and heavenly beings were giving constant w_____ to the Father.
 - b. John did not see J_____ anywhere
 - 2. John was not immediately a_____ of how this part of the vision fit into the complete Revelation of God – it is not unusual for prophets to not understand what they are (e.g. Dan 12:8; 1 Pet 1:10,11; Rev 7:13,14).
- B. In chapter 5, John first notes that the Father has a s_____ in His right hand
 - 1. It was filled up on both s_____ with writing.
 - 2. It was sealed with s_____ seals which kept the contents secure and secret.
 - 3. The Father is waiting for someone w_____ to take the scroll and break its seals
 - a. A search is made in every corner of h_____, of earth, and of the place of the d_____ (“under the earth”).
 - b. No one was found worthy. This tells us that s_____ was not the qualification for being worthy, for there were many such beings (angels, 24 elders, 4 living creatures).
 - c. John began to w_____ greatly because no one was found worthy. (John did not realize that this portion of the vision was set in a time before Jesus went to the cross)
- C. Jesus earned worthiness – John was told to look (vv. 5-7)
 - 1. John was told that The L_____ of Judah, the root of David has overcome (reference to the r_____ from the dead).

2. John saw a L_____ that looked like it had been s_____ standing among the throne of the Father.
 - a. The Lamb had seven e_____ which we are told symbolizes the Holy Spirit whom was sent into all the earth (Jn 16:8 – Jesus promised that the Holy Spirit would go and convict the world of sin, righteousness, and judgment).
 - b. The Lamb had seven h_____ - this symbol is not interpreted for us.
3. John saw the LION and the LAMB take the scroll from the Father's right hand.

What did Jesus Christ p_____? (8,9)

- A. John records that the 24 elders and the four living creatures sing a n_____ song (v. 9)
 1. It was new because it could not be sung until Jesus rose from the dead.
 2. The song praises Jesus for his worthiness because he purchased for God with His b_____ certain people.
 - a. These were not good people because no one is good except God a_____ (Rom 3:12; Mk 10:18)
 - b. These were s_____ (Rom 3:23)
- B. By this purchase Jesus became the m_____ or go-between God and believers which is pictured in verse 8 by the prayers of the saints being placed before Him.
- C. Jesus was i_____ in what sinful people He purchased - *from very tribe and tongue and people and nation.*
 1. This is not universal salvation because Jesus will say to many d_____ from Me into the eternal fire (Matt 25:41).
 2. This is salvation that includes people of every single k_____.
 3. John sees the purchase as c_____ even though from John's standpoint or ours it is not complete.
- D. Do you see yourself in this purchase?

What did Jesus Christ g_____? (10-14)

- A. A kingdom of p_____ (v. 10 - see Rev 1:6 notes)
 1. The believer is purchased to be a mediator between the world and Christ by sharing the g_____ (Rom 10:14-17)
 2. These will reign upon the e_____ (Rev 20:4; see also 2:26,27)
- B. A universe of h_____ (v. 11-14)
 1. All c_____ beings honor Christ

- a. Those in h_____
- b. Those on e_____
- c. Those u_____ the earth.
2. Phil 2:10 prophesies of this – *every k_____ will bow, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every t_____ will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord to the glory of the Father.*
3. This is a vision of that which is yet future

Conclusion:

- A. Chapters 4 and 5 is a vision that begins in the past when Jesus first came to earth and goes to His second coming.
 1. Chapter 4 – Jesus is missing in heaven
 2. Chapter 5
 - a. The Father has a scroll with seven seals that must be opened by one who is worthy.
 - b. No one is found to be worthy
 - c. Jesus becomes worthy by conquering death after sacrificing Himself as a lamb for believers.
 - d. Jesus sends the Holy Spirit throughout the whole earth to convict the world of sin.
 - e. Jesus eventually saves people from every walk of life through His kingdom of priests.
 - f. Jesus returns and the kingdom of priests reign with Him on the earth.
 - g. Every created being bows to Jesus and confesses Him as Lord.
- B. Do you see yourself reflected in this chapter? Has the transaction been made in your life? Personalize this vision:
 1. Verse 8 - *And when He had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the 24 elders fell down before the Lamb, having each one a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which contain _____ prayers.*
 2. Verses 9,10: *Worthy are You to take the scroll and break its seals, for you were slain and purchased for God with Your blood _____. And have made m_____ to be part of Your kingdom of priests. And I will reign on the earth with You.. *
 3. Verse 12 – *Worthy is the Lamb who was slain for me to receive power and riches and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing.*

Is Jesus worthy? He Is!