REVELATION 4-5 ~ **HEAVEN**

Chapter 4 ~ **The Throne**

Summary: John sees the awesome throne room of God.

I. The summons (1): [like the rapture 1 Thes. 4:16; 1 Cor. 15:52].

II. The glory (2-3): <u>the Father</u> [jasper (clear--purity); sardius (red—judgment); emerald (life, mercy; rainbow (*Gen. 9:11-17*)].

III. The elders (4): [elders (Church? raptured, rewarded).

IV. The judgments (5a): [Law given in *Ex. 19:16*; the Law broken here].

V. The objects (5b-11): (A) <u>7 lamps of fire</u> [7 branched lampstand; Holy Spirit of burning (*Isa. 4:4*); judgment; (B) <u>sea of glass</u> [laver (*Ex. 30:17-21*) cleansing, sanctification, baptism]; <u>4 living creatures</u> [God's covenant with creation--man, fowl, cattle, beast (*Gen.9: 8-15*)—dominion regained]

Lesson: Here is the glory and majesty of God in heaven; worship Him.

Chapter 5 ~ **The Scroll**

Summary: John sees the scroll, the deed to reclaiming the earth.

I. The seven-sealed scroll (1-5): [title deed to creation (man's lost inheritance); the testament giving Jesus (our sacrifice—our kinsman redeemer) the right to reclaim creation. Opening seals releases judgment).

II. The slain Lamb (6-10): [7 horns (strength); 7 eyes (omniscience; Holy Spirit (*Isa. 11:2*); incense [prayers (*Ps. 141:2; Luke 1:10*]

III. The Praising Hosts (11-14): [Heaven's main activity] **Lesson:** *In Heaven we will be occupied with praise; let's get a head start.*