

# Sunday Bible Study Session 2 – November 2, 2014

## "The Library of Heaven" – (Revelation 5:1-7)

Read [Revelation 4:1-11](#). ([Listen to Sermon Audio](#))

In Chapter 5 we have the last two things John sees:

- I. Library in Heaven ([5:1-4](#))
- II. Christ as Judge ([5:5-14](#))

Chapter 5 begins with some BOOKS. There are 3 categories:

1. Not mentioned here – BOOK OF LIFE mentioned in [Revelation 20:12-15](#); originally in this book all members of the human race are included – [Philippians 4:3](#); [Revelation 3:5](#); [13:8](#); [17:8](#); [20:12-15](#); [21:27](#); [22:19](#). Upon death of an unsaved person, their name is blotted out.
2. Second category of Books – BOOK OF WORKS – In Eternity this book will consist of the names of all unbelievers.
3. There is also the BOOK OF JUDGMENTS – book of SEALS (7 Seals – 7 chapters, with each representing a different type of judgment in the Tribulation).

Read [Revelation 5:1](#) – Two on the throne – God and Jesus Christ – one invisible, one visible. "RIGHT hand" is an ANTHROPOMORPHISM, ascribing to God human form or physical properties.

- ANTHROPOPATHISM – Ascribes to God Human characteristics which He does not have – divine thoughts in human terminology.
- ANTHROPOMORPHISM – Ascribes to God human form, physical properties which He does not have so that human beings can understand (arms, eyes, ears, hands, etc.)

This says that the book cannot be opened until the Church is removed.

[Revelation 5:2](#) – An angel comes into the picture, to make an announcement: "Who is worthy?" – The 4 living creatures ([4:9](#)) and the 24 elders ([4:10,11](#)) have already told us that the WORTHY ONE WAS THE LORD JESUS CHRIST.

[Revelation 5:3](#) – "Not able to look at the book".

[Revelation 5:4](#) – John becomes emotional, "I WEPT MUCH!" Imperfect Active Imperative – continuous action in past time.

[Revelation 5:5](#) – One of the elders said: "STOP YOUR WEEPING" Present Active Imperative – Klaio (κλαίω) – THEN WE HAVE ἴδου – BEHOLD – Present Middle Imperative of ὁράω – Refocus, regroup, GET YOUR WITS TOGETHER

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### THE BIBLE AND WEeping

It is only natural that when we think of the subject of weeping we think of the Lord Jesus Christ, and want to know if He wept, the meaning of weeping, and the circumstances of His weeping.

- I. Three references to Jesus weeping:
  1. [Luke 19:41](#) – He wept over a city (A sob). Aorist Active Infinitive, 3<sup>rd</sup> person singular of *klaio* (κλαίω)
  2. [Hebrews 5:7](#) – He wept at Gethsemane (a cry of pain).
  3. [John 11:35](#) – He wept at the tomb of Lazarus (a soft, tender, compassionate crying). Aorist Active Infinitive, 3<sup>rd</sup> person singular of δακρῦω
- II. Etymology
  1. [Luke 19:41](#) Greek word *Klauthmos* – weeping or crying.
  2. [John 11:35](#) Greek word *dakruon* – δάκρυον – tender tears – *dakru* means *tear*.
  3. [Hebrews 5:7](#) – Two Greek words: *Krauge* for grief (a loud cry) and *dakruo* for tears.
- III. Weeping of Unbelief – [Numbers 14:1](#) (saved people weeping because of unbelief)
- IV. Weeping of Grief – [John 11:33](#)
- V. Weeping of regret – [2 Samuel 18:33; 19:1-4](#) – David wept for Absalom, his son. He tried to make him earn forgiveness.
- VI. Weeping of Testing – [Psalm 30:5](#) "...Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning".
- VII. Weeping of Judgment – [Matthew 8:12](#)
- VIII. Jeremiah wept for his country – [Jeremiah 9:1](#)
- IX. There will be a time when weeping will cease – [Revelation 21:4; Isaiah 30:19](#)

Read [Revelation 5:5](#) again – Jesus is presented as the Lion of the Tribe of Judah.