

## Why We Worship the Lamb (Revelation 5:9-14, p 1031)

### 1. BECAUSE HE WAS SLAIN FOR US (9-10)

- a. He alone is worthy to take the scroll and open the seals
  - *No one was worthy (3-4)*
  - *Only one is worthy: "for you were slain" (9)*
- b. He alone is worthy to be "slain" for us (9)
  - *Passover lamb (Exod 11 & 12; 1 Cor 5:7)*
  - *Suffering servant (Isa 53:7)*
  - *Spotless Lamb of God (Jn 1:29; 1 Pet 1:18,19)*
- c. He alone is worthy to ransom people for God
  - *redemption defined: "ransomed" (9)*
  - *redemption's cost: "by your blood" (9)*
  - *redemption's reach: "people...from every tribe and language and people and nation" (9)*
  - *redemption's result:*
    - We are God's possession: "for God" (9)
    - We are to be priests who serve (10)
    - We are to be kingdom citizens who reign on earth (10)

### 2. BECAUSE ALL THE ANGELS WORSHIP HIM AS GOD (11-12)

- a. Countless angels declare the Lamb "worthy" (11-12a)
- b. They ascribe the attributes of deity to the Lamb (12b)

### 3. BECAUSE ALL CREATION WILL WORSHIP THEM EQUALLY (13-14)

- a. Both are worshiped by every creature (13a)
- b. Both are ascribed praise, honor, glory, power for all eternity (13b)
- c. The royal heavenly court worships them (14)

*Jesus has redeemed us, so the whole universe worships Him!*