

Wednesday

A New Song

Today's Scripture Revelation 5:6-10

Revelation four through nine take place in heaven. Everyone in heaven is upset because no one can open the scroll with seven seals. Jesus appears as a Lamb who had been slain. When He takes the scroll, all in the throne room fall down before the Lamb and sing this new song:

“Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth” (5:9-10)

This wonderful song is about the worthiness of Jesus to open the scroll, revealing its contents, because Jesus was crucified on our behalf, and ransomed all who come to Him. We have been richly blessed by His payment for our souls in that we are made into a kingdom, we have become priests, and we shall reign on the earth (1 Peter 2:5-10).

In what sense do we reign on earth? First, we are made royal through the blood of Christ. We have been adopted (Ephesians 1:5). This places us in the Royal Family of God, and makes us spiritual rulers on the earth. Second, as Christians we have had our eyes opened to the truth about what this life is about, and how to live it. This gives to us the keys to the kingdom (Matthew 16:19) by means of revealed scripture that opens the door of understanding. Third, we reign on earth because the decisions we make effect the lives around us. We have the Gospel. Proclaiming the Gospel either saves men or repels them.

We have been ransomed. Jesus paid for our sins. Satan, the kidnapper, has lost his grip on us when we obey Jesus and walk away from sin.

Today, I will......sing the new song by taking charge of my life, living as a member of the Royal Family of heaven.