

**Questions:
The Church - What Would Jesus Say?
Revelation 4:1-11**

I. An Invitation to See - The One on the Throne (vs. 1-2)

II. Everything is Seen in Reference to the One on the Throne (3-8a)

- A. Rainbow (3)
- B. 24 Elders (4)
- C. Flashes of Lighting & Peals of Thunder (5)
- D. 7 Lamps (5)
- E. Sea of Glass (6a)
- F. 4 Creatures (6b-8a)

III. Everything Said & Done is in Reference to the One on the Throne (8b-11)

- A. 4 Creatures Say & Do (8b-9a)
- B. 24 Elders Do & Say (10-11)

IV. Implications for Us

Point to Ponder: Many believe that with our knowledge we have pulled back the curtain on the primitive belief that there is a God who has made everything according to His will and have shown instead that everything we see is merely the result of purposeless evolutionary processes. Yet then they tell our children to have good self-esteem - but how does that work when in their view all I am is a very small link in a long chain of accidents?

Disclaimer: Too often studies of Revelation among believers become mired in simply defending our own interpretive framework. We use words like "preterist, futurist, historicist, and idealist." We pile on prefaces (pre, post, and a) to define our view on the millennium. I have my own view on these subjects, yet I will strive to preach this series from the book of Revelation with no agenda to convince you of my view. While the careful listener may be able to guess my viewpoint, my hope in this study is to proclaim truths that all who love the scriptures can affirm.

