

apocalyptic **Revelation 5:1-5** commentary

[end of Rev. 4] **24 elders presbyteros** fall before **Him on the throne**, worship Him who lives forever and ever, cast their crowns before the throne, saying,

“Worthy are You, our Lord and our God, to receive glory and honor and power for You created all things, and because of Your will they existed, and were created.”

[Rev. 5] I saw in the right hand of **Him who sat on the throne** a **biblion** written inside AND on back with **7 seals** - A strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice,

“Who is Worthy to open the βιβλίον and to break its seals?” QUESTION?

NO ONE in heaven **Zoan prebyteros angels CANNOT DO THIS REDEMPTION**

NO ONE on the earth **persons alive [man or woman]**

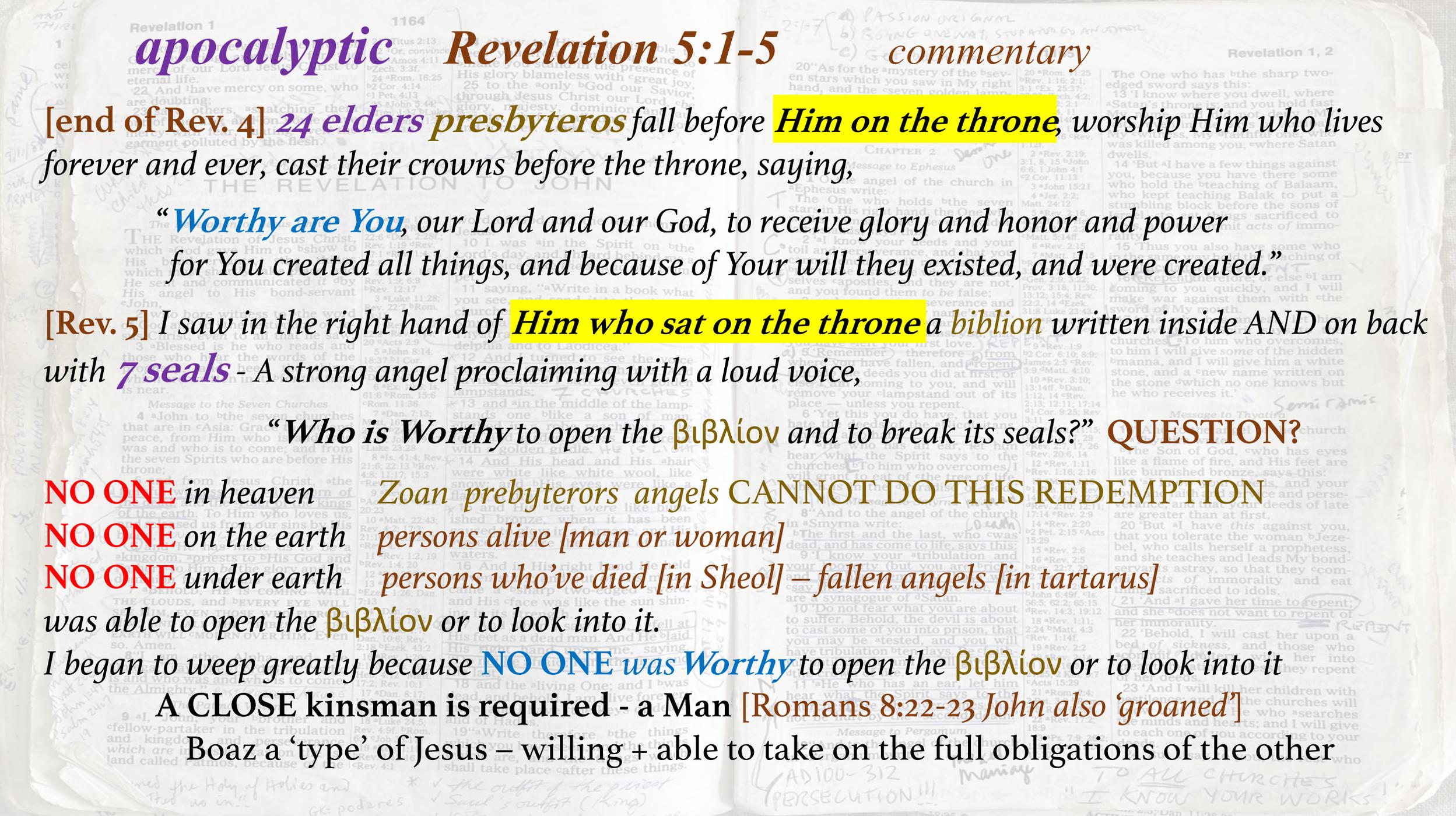
NO ONE under earth **persons who've died [in Sheol] – fallen angels [in tartarus]**

was able to open the βιβλίον or to look into it.

I began to weep greatly because **NO ONE was Worthy** to open the βιβλίον or to look into it

A CLOSE kinsman is required - a Man [Romans 8:22-23 John also 'groaned']

Boaz a 'type' of Jesus – willing + able to take on the full obligations of the other



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NO ONE *Worthy* to open βιβλίον or look into it - *presbyteros* said to me, "Stop weeping, behold:
- **Lion** from the tribe of Judah [Gen. 49:9 identifies Judah as lion]
[Hosea 5:14 lion of house of Judah]

LAMB at 1st Coming **LION** at 2nd Coming
- **Root of David** [Isaiah 11:1 a shoot will spring from root of Jesse]
v **10 nations** will resort to the root of Jesse [Romans 15:12 there shall come the root of Jesse – the Gentiles' hope]
[Jer. 23:5 raise up from David a Righteous Branch]

has overcome so as to open the βιβλίον and its **7 seals**"

Pre-2nd Century AD scrolls

Post-2nd Century AD codex

TERMS on BOTH sides of
velum or parchment

Roman *wills* + *deeds* required

7 seals [Vespasian, Augustus]



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Revelation 5:6-10

When He had taken the **biblion**, the 4 Zoa and the 24 **presbyteros** fell down before the Lamb each one holding a harp and **golden bowls full of incense which are the prayers of the saints.**

La fumée des parfums
monta, avec
les prières
des saints, de la main
de l'ange devant Dieu.
~Apocalypse 8,4

And they sang a new song:

“Worthy are You to take the **biblion and to break its seals you were slain - purchased for God with your blood**

men from every **tribe - tongue - people - nation**

You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to our God and **they will reign upon the earth.**”

[confirmed in Rev. 8:4]

Exodus 19:6 kingdom of **Priests**

1st Peter 2:5, 9 living stones built into spiritual house, holy **Priesthood** **Royal Priesthood**

Rev 1:6 made us a kingdom of **Priests to God** [His identity confirmed]

Rev. 20:6 these shall be **Priests of God and Christ – will rule 1,000 years**

AD100-312
(PERSECUTION!!!)
TO ALL CHURCHES
"I KNOW YOUR WORKS!"

