

Clincarthill Parish Church - Lent Reflection 3

Revelation 5: 9-12

As you come to reflect on this week's Bible passage take a few moments to become still, letting go of distractions, thoughts, busyness, etc. Settle into your chair, allow your body to become relaxed by letting go of any tension you may feel through breathing out, as you breath in let the Spirit bring peace.

Read the passage slowly, perhaps reading it twice:

⁸ And when he had taken it, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb. Each one had a harp and they were holding golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of God's people. ⁹ And they sang a new song, saying:

“You are worthy to take the scroll
and to open its seals,
because you were slain,
and with your blood you purchased for God
persons from every tribe and language and people and nation.

¹⁰ You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God,
and they will reign on the earth.”

¹¹ Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders. ¹² In a loud voice they were saying:

“Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain,
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength
and honour and glory and praise!”

¹³ Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, saying:

“To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb
be praise and honour and glory and power,
for ever and ever!”

¹⁴ The four living creatures said, “Amen,” and the elders fell down and worshipped.

Reflective Thoughts:

- ◆ Try to imagine being a part of this scene, perhaps even as one of the 24 elders. You are there in the throne-room of heaven, gazing on Jesus, the lamb who slain for you.
- ◆ The sounds around you as the angels sing—can you sing with them? If not, ask them to help you.
- ◆ Can you see the hope in all that's going on? If not, ask Jesus to help you—He's waiting for you.

Prayer:

Lord Jesus, help me to see the hope you offer, help me to hold onto you each and every day so I can sing like the angels. Amen

