

## Revelation 5 with Old Testament Allusions

**1 And I saw in the right hand of Him who sat on the throne a scroll written inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals.**

**Ezekiel 2:9** - Now when I looked, there was a hand stretched out to me; and behold, a scroll of a book *was* in it.

**Daniel 12:4** - But you, Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book until the time of the end; many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase.

**Isaiah 29:11** - The whole vision has become to you like the words of a book that is sealed, which men deliver to one who is literate, saying, Read this, please. And he says, I cannot, for it *is* sealed.

**2 Then I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and to loose its seals?"**

**3 And no one in heaven or on the earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll, or to look at it.**

**4 So I wept much, because no one was found worthy to open and read the scroll, or to look at it.**

**5 But one of the elders said to me, "Do not weep. Behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has prevailed to open the scroll and to loose its seven seals."**

**Genesis 49:9** - Judah is a lion's whelp;  
From the prey, my son, you have gone up.  
He bows down, he lies down as a lion;  
And as a lion, who shall rouse him?

**Isaiah 11:1** - There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse,  
And a Branch shall grow out of his roots.

**Isaiah 11:10** - And in that day there shall be a Root of Jesse,  
Who shall stand as a banner to the people;  
For the Gentiles shall seek Him,  
And His resting place shall be glorious.

**6 And I looked, and behold, in the midst of the throne and of the four living creatures, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as though it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent out into all the earth.**

**Isaiah 53:7** - He was oppressed and He was afflicted,  
Yet He opened not His mouth;  
He was led as a lamb to the slaughter,  
And as a sheep before its shearers is silent,  
So He opened not His mouth.

**Zechariah 3:9** - For behold, the stone  
That I have laid before Joshua:  
Upon the stone *are* seven eyes.  
Behold, I will engrave its inscription,  
Says the Lord of hosts,  
'And I will remove the iniquity of that land in one day.

**Zechariah 4:10** - For who has despised the day  
of small things?  
For these seven rejoice to see  
The plumb line in the hand of Zerubbabel.  
They are the eyes of the Lord,  
Which scan to and fro throughout the whole earth.

**Psalms 89:17** - For You *are* the glory of their strength,  
And in Your favor our horn is exalted.

**Psalms 19:10** - More to be desired *are they* than gold,  
Yea, than much fine gold;  
Sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.

**Daniel 7:8** - I was considering the horns, and there was another horn, a little one, coming up among them, before whom three of the first horns were plucked out by the roots. And there, in this horn, *were* eyes like the eyes of a man, and a mouth speaking pompous words.

**Daniel 8:3** - Then I lifted my eyes and saw, and there, standing beside the river, was a ram which had two horns, and the two horns *were* high; but one *was* higher than the other, and the higher *one* came up last.

**7 Then He came and took the scroll out of the right hand of Him who sat on the throne.**

**8 Now when He had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each having a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints.**

**Psalms 141:2** - Let my prayer be set before You *as* incense,  
The lifting up of my hands *as* the evening sacrifice.

**9 And they sang a new song, saying:**

**“You are worthy to take the scroll,**

**And to open its seals;**

**For You were slain,**

**And have redeemed us to God by Your blood**

**Out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation,**

**Genesis 12:3** - I will bless those who bless you,

And I will curse him who curses you;

And in you all the families of the earth shall

be blessed.

**Genesis 22:18** - In your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed, because you have obeyed My voice.

**Isaiah 60:1-5** - Arise, shine;

For your light has come!

And the glory of the Lord is risen upon you.

<sup>2</sup>For behold, the darkness shall cover the earth,

And deep darkness the people;

But the Lord will arise over you,

And His glory will be seen upon you.

<sup>3</sup>The Gentiles shall come to your light,  
And kings to the brightness of your rising.

<sup>4</sup>Lift up your eyes all around, and see:

They all gather together, they come to you;

Your sons shall come from afar,

And your daughters shall be nursed at *your* side.

<sup>5</sup>Then you shall see and become radiant,

And your heart shall swell with joy;

Because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you,

The wealth of the Gentiles shall come to you.

**10 And have made us kings and priests to our God;**

**And we shall reign on the earth.”**

**Exodus 19:6** - And you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.’ These *are* the words which you shall speak to the children of Israel.

**Isaiah 61:6** - But you shall be named the priests of the Lord,

They shall call you the servants of our God.

You shall eat the riches of the Gentiles,

And in their glory you shall boast.

**11 Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels around the throne, the living creatures, and the elders; and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands,**

**12 saying with a loud voice:**

**“Worthy is the Lamb who was slain**

**To receive power and riches and wisdom,**

**And strength and honor and glory and blessing!”**

**13 And every creature which is in heaven and on the earth and under the earth and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, I heard saying:**

**“Blessing and honor and glory and power**

**Be to Him who sits on the throne,**

**And to the Lamb, forever and ever!”**

**14 Then the four living creatures said, “Amen!” And the twenty-four elders fell down and worshiped Him who lives forever and ever.**