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THE BOOK OF REVELATION — CHAPTER 4: THE THRONE IN HEAVEN

THE BOOK OF REVELATION — Unveiling “Come Up Hither,” the One on the Throne, the Rainbow Around the Throne, the Twenty-Four Elders, the Sea of Glass, and the Four Living Creatures

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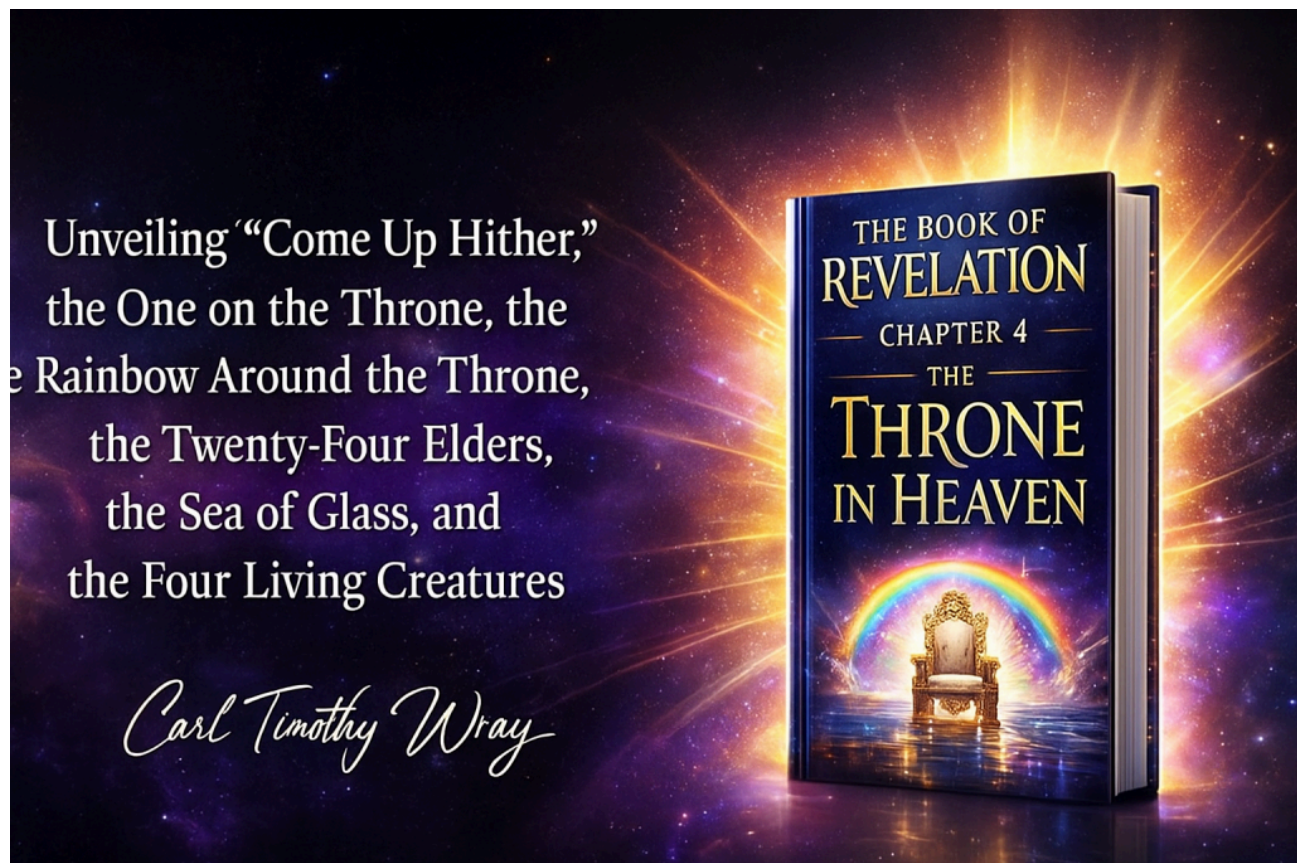
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By the Spirit to feed the elect, overthrow Babylon's interpretation, and establish Zion's dominion through the Word of the Lord to this generation.



★ Book of Revelation: INTRODUCTION

When John stepped through the open door in heaven, he did not enter a far-off galaxy, a future millennium, or some distant cosmic court. He stepped into the dimension of Dominion—the realm where the Lamb reigns, the Spirit speaks, and the government of God is revealed in symbols, signs, and living images. Revelation Chapter 4 is not a tour of heaven... it is a summons into the throne-realm where kings are formed, priests are fashioned, and overcomers are unveiled.

"Come up hither" is not an escape. It is an ascension in consciousness. A rising in Spirit. A call to the elect to leave the realm of the beast-ridden sea and enter the clarity of the glassy, transparent dominion of Christ. Here, the One on the Throne is not a doctrine—it is the living center of all reality. The rainbow is not weather—it is covenant glory encircling divine judgment. The twenty-four elders are not old men—they are the priestly order of God's government. And the four living creatures are not strange heavenly beings—they are the kingly expression of divine dominion in



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of eyes, full of fire, full of authority. In this scroll, the elect will see the Book of Revelation Chapter 4—the Throne in Heaven, the call to

"Come Up Hither," the One on the Throne, the Rainbow of Covenant, the Twenty-Four Elders, the Sea of Glass, and the Four Living Creatures revealed in their fullness.

This chapter reveals the architecture of the Kingdom.

It unveils the inner working of the Lamb's government.

It shows the elect who they are, where they stand, and how they rule.

Revelation 4 is not a vision about heaven.

It is a revelation of our place in Christ—

kings, priests, and overcomers standing before the Throne, one with the Lamb, called to reign in [the earth](#).

★ CHAPTER 1 — THE THRONE IN HEAVEN

Definition

When John says, "Behold, a throne was set in heaven," he is not describing a piece of furniture in outer space. The word throne speaks of authority, government, rule, and the center of dominion. And the word heaven does not point to a distant location but to the realm of Spirit, the invisible dimension where Christ reigns right now.

The first thing God shows John is not the beast, not Babylon, not judgment, not the end of the world — but the throne. Before anything else, the Spirit anchors the elect in God's government. Everything in the Book of Revelation flows outward from that one reality:

The Lamb reigns. The Throne is set. Dominion is settled.

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The Throne is not an object — it is a Person, the indwelling authority of the Lamb Himself. When John is caught up, he steps into the center of all creation, the eternal seat where the will of God flows like a river. This is the Throne you carry within you.



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Throne that rules the ages. This is the Throne from which the sons of God are tormented, instructed, corrected, and commissioned.

A “Throne set in heaven” means a government that cannot be moved. The dominion of Christ is not waiting for the end of the age. It is active, present, established, and unshakeable. And the elect — the overcomers — are called to rule from this Throne, not merely toward it.

This Throne is not a spectator seat. It is a participation seat.

It is the core of the corporate Son.

Declaration

I am called into the Throne-room dimension.

I am not observing dominion — I am part of its expression.

The Lamb reigns, and His dominion flows through me.

His Throne is set, and I am set with Him.

Call to Action

Draw near the Throne within you. Let the Spirit anchor your soul in the government of God. Every fear breaks here. Every lie dissolves here. Every confusion submits here. Let this be your vantage point for the whole Book of Revelation — not from earth looking up, but from the Throne looking out.

Read the next chapter with your heart seated where Christ is seated.

★ CHAPTER 2 — “COME UP HITHER”

Definition

“Come up hither” is one of the most misunderstood statements in the Book of Revelation. Babylon teaches it as a rapture, an escape, a catching away into the sky.

But the Spirit reveals it as something far greater:

a call to ascend in Spirit, to see from the Throne, to perceive from God’s vantage point.

John was not removed from the earth — he was lifted in consciousness, in



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in Spirit.

“Come up hither” means:

- ✓ Rise above the carnal mind.
- ✓ Step out of the realm of the beast and the sea.
- ✓ Leave the limitations of the natural man.
- ✓ Enter the dimension of the Throne.

This is not geographical. It is spiritual. It is the ascension of understanding.

Revelation

“Come up hither” is the command that separates the elect from the religious. It is Heaven’s invitation into the realm where the Lamb rules, where truth is clear, where symbolism becomes revelation, and where judgment is seen as salvation.

This is the transition from Pentecost to Tabernacles, from earnest to fullness, from seeing dimly to seeing face-to-face.

The Lord does not shout this command into the world — He whispers it to the sons. It is the divine upward pull of the Spirit calling you into the governmental dimension where kings and priests operate.

This call breaks the gravitational pull of the soul realm. It disentangles you from the noise of Babylon. It positions you to rule through clarity, not confusion.

The Revelation of Jesus Christ cannot be understood from beneath. It can only be understood from above.

And only those who answer “Come up hither” will see what John saw. This mystery opens the meaning Book of Revelation Chapter 4 and reveals how the Throne in Heaven, the call to “Come Up Hither,” the One on the Throne, the Rainbow, the Twenty-Four Elders, the Sea of Glass, and the Four Living Creatures form one revelation of dominion.

Declaration

I rise in Spirit.

I ascend in revelation.

I answer the call of the Throne.

My mind comes up. My sight comes up. My understanding comes up.

ow realm — I embrace the high calling.



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Call to Action

Quiet your mind. Lift your heart. Set your spirit toward the Throne.

Ask the Lord to raise your perception and bring you out of the noise of the beast realm.

Read the next chapter — The One on the Throne — from the place of ascension, not earthly reasoning.

★ CHAPTER 3 — THE ONE ON THE THRONE

Definition

John does not merely see a throne — he sees One sitting upon it. This is not a new character in the story. It is not a second divine person. It is the Lamb Himself, the glorified Christ, the very image and expression of the invisible God.

The One on the Throne represents the central authority of all creation. He is not waiting to reign — He is reigning now. His rule is not postponed — it is present. His dominion is not symbolic — it is real, active, and absolute.

This vision anchors the elect in one foundational truth:

All things begin at the Throne, flow from the Throne, and return to the Throne.

Revelation

The One on the Throne is Christ in His governmental identity — the Lamb enthroned, the image of divine authority, the center of all cosmic order.

He appears “like a jasper and a sardine stone,” revealing purity and blood, righteousness and redemption, justice and mercy — all embodied in one Person. This is the God-Man, the union of divine and human nature, the fullness of the Godhead in bodily form, seated in the realm of Spirit.

This One is not ruling alone. His reign is shared. His authority is corporate. The elect do not bow before Him from a distance — they are seated with Him in heavenly places. The Throne is not merely His position; it is our participation.



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the Throne reveals the center of union, where divinity and humanity
ect harmony. It is the very place where the new creation man is formed.

Here the elect see their identity, not as servants trying to please a distant deity, but as sons participating in the dominion of the Lamb. Through this unveiling, the elect behold the complete revelation of Revelation Chapter 4— the Throne in Heaven, “Come Up Hither,” the One on the Throne, the Rainbow Around the Throne, the Twenty-Four Elders, the Sea of Glass, and the Four Living Creatures, all testifying to the true meaning of the Book of Revelation.

Declaration

I behold the One on the Throne.

I recognize His authority as my authority.

His life is my life.

His victory is my victory.

His throne is the realm of my identity.

Call to Action

Fix your gaze on the One who reigns from the center of all things. Let His dominion settle your mind and anchor your spirit.

Approach the next chapter — The Rainbow Around the Throne — knowing you are not standing outside looking in, but inside looking out, united with the enthroned Christ.

★ CHAPTER 4 — THE RAINBOW AROUND THE THRONE

Definition

The rainbow around the throne is not a weather pattern, a prism of colors, or a heavenly decoration. It is the sign of covenant, the visible expression of God’s unbreakable promise. In Revelation, it is described as “like unto an emerald,”



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life, mercy, everlasting faithfulness, and the perpetual remembrance of covenant grace.

The rainbow encircles the Throne to reveal that all divine authority — every decree, every judgment, every act of God — flows out of covenant love, not wrath. Judgment is not God breaking covenant; judgment is God fulfilling covenant.

Revelation

The rainbow is the revelation of God's eternal commitment to creation. It encircles the Throne because covenant is the environment of dominion. God rules from mercy, not malice. He governs from love, not fear.

The emerald radiance declares the endless life of the Lamb — the life that swallows death, heals the nations, restores all things, and binds judgment to mercy. It shows that every movement from the Throne is redemptive. Even His fire flows inside the circle of covenant.

The rainbow also represents the union of many colors into one light, a picture of the corporate Christ, the many-membered Son brought into perfect oneness around the Throne.

For the elect, the rainbow unveils this truth:

You are surrounded by covenant. Encompassed by grace. Encircled by mercy.
Wrapped in everlasting life.

This is why the overcomers can rule without fear: they stand in the circle of covenant that encircles the Throne itself.

Declaration

I am surrounded by covenant.

I stand in the emerald circle of everlasting life.

Every judgment that flows toward me is redemptive.

Every decree from the Throne is for my transformation.

The rainbow is my environment — mercy is my atmosphere.

Call to Action



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the truth that God's covenant surrounds every part of your life. Let the emerald light settle your fears, silence the accuser, and anchor your identity in the

Lamb's unbreakable promise.

Prepare your heart for the next scroll — The Twenty-Four Elders — as we step into the priestly dimension of divine government.

★ CHAPTER 5 — THE TWENTY-FOUR ELDERS

Definition

The twenty-four elders are not old men sitting on celestial rocking chairs. They are a symbolic revelation of the priestly order of God's government.

Their thrones, white garments, and golden crowns show priesthood joined with royalty — the Melchizedek nature of Christ expressed in a corporate company.

Twelve and twelve speak of divine order:

- ✓ twelve tribes (Old Covenant priesthood)
- ✓ twelve apostles (New Covenant priesthood)

Combined, they reveal the complete priestly ministry of the redeemed.

The elders cast their crowns not because they are unworthy, but because all dominion flows back into the Lamb. Their surrender is governmental, not sentimental.

Revelation

The twenty-four elders reveal the inner life of the Kingdom — the priestly aspect of the corporate Christ. Where the four living creatures show dominion in action (kingship), the elders show dominion in intimacy, intercession, and representation.

Their thrones show they share authority.

Their crowns reveal they carry rulership.

Their white raiment speaks of identity purified.

Their position around the Throne reveals they are participants in divine government, not spectators.



They hold harps and golden bowls full of incense (Rev 5:8), proving their ministry is twofold:

1. Harps — Worship (spirit)
2. Bowls — Intercession (soul)

This is the full priesthood of the Lamb.

The elders represent the governmental heart of the Kingdom — the priests who minister to God and reflect His image into creation. Their continual worship is not a ritual; it is governmental agreement with the judgments and decrees of the Throne.

In the elect, this means:

- ✓ your priesthood is governmental
- ✓ your worship is authoritative
- ✓ your intercession moves divine purpose
- ✓ your identity is part of God's order
- ✓ your life is a throne, not a pew

This is the Melchizedek priesthood revealed in symbolic form.

Declaration

I am part of the priestly order of the Lamb.

I wear His righteousness, carry His authority, and minister from His Throne.

My worship is governmental.

My intercession is powerful.

My identity is priestly, holy, and set apart.

Call to Action



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usly into your priestly identity.

the next chapter — The Sea of Glass — prepare to see how the priestly

realm gives way to overcomer dominion, where the soul is subdued and the beast realm is silenced.

★ CHAPTER 6 — THE SEA OF GLASS

Definition

In Scripture, the sea represents instability, double-mindedness, the soul realm, and the chaotic waters from which the beast rises. But here in Revelation 4, the sea is “like unto crystal” — perfectly calm, transparent, untroubled.

This is not a natural sea; it is a symbol of the human soul brought under the dominion of the Spirit.

Where the beast once rose out of the sea (confusion, fear, self-will), now the sea is glass — still, submitted, transformed.

The Sea of Glass is the picture of the overcomer soul, no longer tossed by emotions, storms, doctrines, or the noise of the carnal mind.

Revelation

The Sea of Glass is the foundation of dominion. Before you can stand with the Lamb, you must first stand over the sea — the realm where the beast once lived in you.

When the soul is restless, the beast rises.

When the soul is calm, the beast dies.

When the soul is clear, the Spirit reigns.

When the soul yields, dominion emerges.

The Sea of Glass reveals the mystery of transparency — where nothing is hidden, where the elect walk in clarity, purity, and agreement with the Throne. It shows the elect in the Sabbath of God, resting from their own works, standing on a soul fully submitted to Spirit.

Revelation 15 expands this vision: the overcomers stand on the Sea of Glass, not



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this means:

- ✓ the beast nature is conquered
- ✓ the emotional storms are stilled
- ✓ the carnal mind is subdued
- ✓ the soul is at peace
- ✓ identity rises into fullness

This is why the Sea of Glass is BEFORE the Throne — because the soul must come into rest before the elect can move in kingship with clarity.

In the elect, the Sea of Glass is your inner stillness, your yielded soul, your uncluttered mind, your transparency before the Throne.

This is the dimension where the overcomer is formed. In this mystery, the Sea of Glass reveals its true meaning in Book of Revelation Chapter 4—showing how the Throne in Heaven, the call to “Come Up Hither,” the One on the Throne, the Rainbow of Covenant, the Twenty-Four Elders, and the Four Living Creatures flow together in the dominion of the overcomer.

Declaration

My soul is submitted.

My waters are stilled.

The beast rises no more within me.

I stand on the Sea of Glass — in clarity, transparency, and rest.

I reign through peace, not turmoil.

Call to Action

Let the Spirit settle your soul.

Let every storm, every emotion, every anxious wave yield to the dominion of Christ within you.

Prepare your heart for the next unveiling — The Four Living Creatures — where we step into the expression of pure kingship and governmental authority.



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CHAPTER 7 — THE FOUR LIVING CREATURES

Definition

The Four Living Creatures are not animals, not angels, not strange heavenly beasts. They are symbolic revelations of the dominion nature of the corporate Christ — the kingly expression of God's government in motion.

Each creature embodies a dimension of authority:

Lion — Kingly rule

Ox — Strength to carry divine purpose

Man — Wisdom and understanding

Eagle — Ascension sight and spiritual perception

They are "full of eyes," meaning perfect awareness, nothing hidden, nothing blind, nothing in darkness. They are closest to the Throne because they represent the executive authority of the Throne — the outward expression of God's dominion.

Revelation

The Four Living Creatures are the kingship dimension of the Throne.

If the Twenty-Four Elders reveal priesthood and the Sea of Glass reveals overcomer rest, then the Living Creatures reveal dominion in action.

Their movement is governmental:

"They went wherever the Spirit went."

This is the picture of perfect union — authority that flows without resistance, delay, or mixture.



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is governmental:

When they speak "Come" in Revelation 6, history moves.

The seals break.

The horses ride.

The ages shift.

Their nature is governmental:

The lion rules.

The ox executes.

The man understands.

The eagle ascends.

These are not four separate beings — this is one corporate creature with four faces, revealing the many-sided wisdom of God operating through a single body.

This is the corporate Son, the kings of the Earth, the overcomers who move with the Lamb in perfect agreement.

Their eyes reveal the consuming clarity of divine judgment, discerning all things, missing nothing. Judgment is not destruction — it is illumination, the burning away of the lie until only truth remains. Through the revelation of the Four Living Creatures, the elect behold the fullness Book of Revelation Chapter 4—where the Throne in Heaven, “Come Up Hither,” the One on the Throne, the Rainbow Around the Throne, the Twenty-Four Elders, and the Sea of Glass all unite to unveil the true meaning of divine dominion.

In the elect, this means:

- ✓ you carry kingly authority
- ✓ your sight is anointed
- ✓ your movement is Spirit-led
- ✓ your voice carries power
- ✓ your identity is multifaceted
- ✓ your dominion is pure
- ✓ your rulership is shared with the Lamb



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Living Creatures are the outer expression of the inner Throne.

They show what authority looks like in motion.

Declaration

I move with the Spirit.

I see with heavenly sight.

I speak with the authority of the Throne.

I am part of the corporate Son — the kingly company of the Lamb.

The Lion, the Ox, the Man, and the Eagle find expression in me.

Call to Action

Yield to the Spirit. Move when He moves. See what He sees. Let every dimension of dominion flow through you — boldness, strength, wisdom, and ascension insight. Prepare your heart for the conclusion — the gathering of kings, priests, and overcomers into one governmental expression before the Throne.

★ CONCLUSION — KINGS, PRIESTS, AND OVERCOMERS BEFORE THE THRONE

Revelation Chapter 4 is not a picture of a far-off heaven. It is the unveiling of the throne-realm, the dimension into which the elect are being awakened right now. Here the Spirit shows John — and through him, shows us — the full architecture of divine government:

The Throne in Heaven — the center of all authority

Come Up Hither — the call into spiritual ascension

The One on the Throne — Christ enthroned in glory

The Rainbow — covenant encircling all judgment



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Four Elders — priesthood in governmental order

The Sea of Glass — the overcomer soul subdued into clarity

The Four Living Creatures — dominion in action, kingship in motion

Together, these seven symbols reveal the corporate Christ, the Body of the Lamb, the governmental expression of the Kingdom in the earth.

This chapter is not simply about what John saw — it is about who we are.

We are the ones called to come up hither.

We are the ones standing in the emerald circle of covenant.

We are the ones seated with the One on the Throne.

We are the priests who minister before Him.

We are the overcomers whose souls have been stilled.

We are the living creatures expressing His dominion.

We are the kings and priests who reign in the earth.

Revelation 4 reveals your identity, your authority, and your position. It unveils the sons of God in their rightful place — not beneath the sea, not trapped in the beast realm, not tossed by emotion or doctrine, but standing before the Throne in clarity, rest, and power.

This is the life you were born for.

This is the dimension you were called into.

This is the government you share with Christ.

Revelation 4 is the chapter where the elect rediscover who they are — kings in dominion, priests in intimacy, overcomers in stability, and sons united with the Lamb in the center of all creation.



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