

LOOK! A THRONE!

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Standing In The Fire, part 11

Revelation 4:1-11 ESV

Is my perception of reality accurate? Revelation 4 Glasses.

"I looked, and behold, a door standing open in heaven!" (1)

"If I cast out demons by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God has come upon you." (**Mt. 12:28**; Lk. 10:9)

"Look/Behold" (27x)

This **gives you heaven's perspective on all that's coming.**

"Look, a door opened" and "Look, a throne"

"Look, a throne stood in heaven, with one seated ON the throne." (2)

Jasper, a reddish translucent stone

Carnelian is ruby-red with yellow streaks

"the Lord God Almighty" (8)

"created all things" (11; 21:5)

"Holy! Holy! Holy!" (8)

"who was and is and is to come" (8)

"FROM the throne came flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder." (5)

"there was thunder and lightning, with a thick cloud over the mountain, and a very loud trumpet blast... covered with smoke, because the LORD descended on it in fire... the whole mountain trembled violently." **Exodus 19:16-18**

7 seals, 7 trumpets, 7 bowls (8:5; 11:19; 16:18-21)

BEHIND the throne is an emerald-colored rainbow. (Gen. 6-9; 9:1f)

BEFORE the throne burn "seven lamps of fire" (4:5). 7 Spirits

"Not by might, not by power, but by my Spirit says the Lord of hosts." **Zech. 4:6**

"BEFORE the throne is a sea of glass, like crystal" (4:6; ch. 13)

"Peace, be still." **Mark 4:39**

"O Lord, Yahweh, who is like you, O mighty Lord? You rule the swelling of the sea; when its waves rise, you still them" **Psalms 89:8-9**

"Then I saw "a new heaven and a new earth," for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and there was no longer any sea." **Revelation 21:1**

"AROUND the throne were twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones were twenty-four elders, clothed in white garments, with golden crowns on their heads... Around the throne, on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind." (4:4, 6).

Domitian's Bodyguards, 24 Divisions of priests (1 Chrn. 24-25)

12+12=24 12 Tribes + 12 Apostles

"a kingdom and priests to our God." (5:10; Ex. 19:6)

Living Creatures (4:6-8)

What do they symbolize? (Is. 6; Ezek. 1:5-25; 10:1-22)

"Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!" (4:6)

"Worthy are you" (4:11)

"Imperial hymns"

"Holy One. Glory. Salvation belongs to you. Authority. Worthy to receive power. Righteous are your judgements. Our Lord and God, lord of the earth, lord of the world."

"for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created." (4:4)