

CHAPTER IV

THE OPENING OF THE BOOK, WHICH WAS SEALED

Already we have noticed that only Christ could give the mysteries of God, which was sealed to the Prophet Daniel and that it could not be given until the work of salvation by Christ was completed, and he (Christ) was back in heaven with the Father. Then the great angel, Gabriel, was sent by vision to the Prophet John with a book containing the mysteries of God that was closed to the Prophet Daniel. And at this time the Spirit of Prophecy shall come to the one whom Christ has chosen and he shall make known these things: for it is written in prophecy in Revelation 10:11 saying, ***“THOU MUST PROPHECY AGAIN BEFORE MANY PEOPLES AND NATIONS AND TONGUES AND KINGS.”*** Thus, his work on the revelation mysteries of God shall be carried to all nations wherever the saints are, for only the wise will understand.

This, of course, covers the work under the three angels (***Revelation 14:6-12 [see appendix]***). Three prophets are seen here: one under the first angel, having the power of John to know the mysteries of God for the Gospel unto salvation is the sweetness of the Little Book carried only under the first angel. But the second and third angel, having messages of judgment carried by the two prophets of Revelation 11th chapter, they shall bitterly torment the wicked with the judgment of God (***Revelation 11th chapter [see appendix]***).

Now let us notice the opening of the book that was sealed to the Prophet Daniel. Revelation 5:1 quotes, ***“AND I SAW IN THE RIGHT HAND OF HIM THAT SAT ON THE THRONE A BOOK WRITTEN WITHIN AND ON THE BACKSIDE, SEALED WITH SEVEN SEALS.”*** Compare this with Daniel 12:9, ***“AND HE SAID, GO THY WAY, DANIEL: FOR THE WORDS ARE CLOSED UP AND SEALED TILL THE TIME OF THE END.”*** After the great proclamation in heaven concerning the mysteries of God, it was found that only Christ could open the seals on the mysteries of God: for this, the revelation of Christ – which God gave unto him to show unto us the things, which must be known at the time of the end – will be done shortly. In Revelation 1:1, notice Christ (his actions) as the sealed book is given to him; quote, ***“The revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John: ”***

In Revelation 5:5-6, the Lamb is the symbol of Christ showing his work of salvation on the cross as it was slain; for Christ has taken the place of the lamb on the altar of sacrifice: for by him the earthly, daily sacrifice and oblation was removed. The seven horns are the seven-fold power of the universe’s powers. Notice Christ’s statement from his resurrection in Matthew 28:18; quote, ***“And Jesus came and spake unto them saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.”*** The seven eyes are the Spirit of God as stated in Revelation 5:6, which also is the omnipresence of God; we quote, ***“And I beheld, and lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth.”***