

THINGS WHICH MUST BE HEREAFTER
REV. 4:1-11

Introduction;

- A. "After this I looked, and behold, a door was opened in heaven."
 - 1. looked = eidon = to see, not only seeing but the actual perception of an object.
 - 2. door = thura = door.
 - 3. opened = anoigo - to open, to stand open.

- B. "And the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me;"
 - 1. voice = a sound, a tone, as given forth or uttered.
 - 2. shew = deiknumi - to show, to exhibit.
 - 3. The vision that follows is anticipatory of what shall happen in the future, after the things which are.

- D. "And immediately I was in the Spirit."
 - 1. immediately = eutheo - straight, direct, at once.
 - 2. As opposed to the flesh.

A. John saw a throne. v26.

1. Isaiah 6:1-4.

B. The one who sat on the throne. v3

1. Jasper = hiaspis - translucent, as a diamond.
2. Sardine = sardion = a blood-red stone.
3. Rainbow = iris - rainbow colored, a many colored rainbow or halo that encompassed the throne.
4. Emerald = smaragdinos - made of emerald, green in color.

C. Those around the throne. v4

1. seats = thronos = a seat, a throne.
2. elders = presbuteros - In the Jewish nation, persons who were the deputies of the tribes and families according to the right of the first-born.

I Kings 8:1,3.

D. Sounds from the throne. v5

1. "lightnings, thunderings and voices:"
2. "lamps of fire."

E. Before the throne. v6

1. sea of glass = thalassa - the sea, of glass.
2. four beasts = zoon - a living being.
3. Their description. v7
 - a. Numbers 2:2,3,10,18,25.
 - b. Heb. 8:5, 9:23

II. THE PURPOSE OF ALL CREATED BEINGS. v8

A. They praise God. v8

1. rest not = anapausis - pause.
2. saying = lego - to lay before, relate.

B. They honor and thank God. v9

1. honor = time - esteem, respect, value.
2. thanks = eucharistia - to show one's gratitude.
3. glory = doksa - The recognition which belongs to God alone.

C. They worship him. v10

1. The 24 elders.
2. fall = pipto - to fall from higher to lower.
3. worship = proskuneo - to prostrate one's self.
4. cast = ballo - to throw.

III. THE REDEEMED AND THEIR SONG. V11

A. "Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power."

1. worthy = axios - worthy of.
2. receive = lambano - to take what is given.
3. glory = doksa - renown, praise.
4. honour = time = respect, value.
5. power = dunamis - power in action.

B. "for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created."

1. created = ktizo - to found, to set up, to bring into being.
2. pleasure = thelema =- will, volition.
3. created = ktizo - (see #1)