A Study of the General Epistles (NT Survey Lesson 218--Revelation 4)

Introduction: In chapters four and five of Revelation the way is prepared for the revelation of the things that must shortly come to pass. The Christians to whom the book was first written needed to remember, as do we, that God was on His throne and that only Jesus by virtue of his selfless sacrifice of himself was worthy to open the book which revealed the purpose of God. We may surely profit by seeing the worthiness of both God and His Son to be worshipped by man and to remember that, regardless of what happens on earth, God is over all and in control!

Lesson aim: To be impressed with the fact that regardless of what happens on earth God rules over all.

The throne scene in heaven--Rev. 4:1-11

- 1. What does the angel tell John he is about to be shown?
- 2. What was the first thing John saw in this vision? Who did he see? How is He described?
- 3. Who did John see around the throne? On what were they sitting? What were they wearing?
- 4. What was coming from the throne?
- 5. What did John say the seven lamps of fire before the throne were?
- 6. Describe the four living creatures.
- 7. What do the living creatures not cease to say?
- 8. What do the twenty-four elders do and say?
- 9. Thought question: What seems to be the main idea of this chapter? Why is this message

important for the Christian? How might we apply it today?