

Session 2: Your Ultimate Reality

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CONNECT

If you or any of your group members don't know each other, take a few minutes to introduce yourselves. Then discuss one or both of the following questions:

- What is something that spoke to your heart in last week's personal study that you would like to share with the group?

OR

- How do you generally view big changes in your life? Do you tend to dread and avoid them or anticipate and embrace them?

WATCH

Watch Session 2: *Your Ultimate Reality* (20 minutes).

Now discuss what you just watched by answering the following questions.

1. What are some of the details that stand out to you in the scene that John describes in Revelation 4–5? What do these particular details reveal about who God is?

2. Why is it important to remember that John relies on language to convey a scene that actually transcends human reality? How do the images and details of this throne-room scene speak directly to your imagination?

3. How does this scene that John describes in Revelation 4–5 comfort and reassure you in the midst of current world events and your own personal circumstances? Why does it comfort and reassure you in that way?

4. In John's vision, a mighty angel proclaimed, "Who is worthy to break the seals and open the scroll?" (Revelation 5:2). John wept when he heard this, "because no one was found who was worthy to open the scroll or look inside" (verse 4). When have you similarly felt stuck because you could not imagine how God was at work in your circumstances?

5. When Jesus opened the scroll, John heard angels “numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand” (5:11). They encircled the throne and proclaimed, “Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!” (verse 12). How does knowing that Jesus has done what no one else could

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PRAY

End your time by praying together as a group. As you pray, ask the Holy Spirit to take you to God's radiant throne room and to help you see the ultimate reality John describes in his vision. Allow the truth of Jesus' atoning sacrifice to soothe your restless mind and troubled heart. Ask if anyone has prayer requests, and then write down those requests so that you and other group members can continue to pray about them in the week ahead.

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