The Only One Worthy – 5-Day Study Guide

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Sermon Overview

In *The Only One Worthy*, Blake Bradley takes us into the arena of heaven described in **Revelation 5**, where John sees the throne of God, living creatures, elders, and angels proclaiming, "Who is worthy to open the scroll?" The answer comes: *Only the Lamb who was slain*. This message calls us to see Jesus as the only one worthy of our praise, obedience, and surrendered life. Through Scripture, we're reminded that covenant friendship with God grows from holy reverence and obedience, and that walking worthy of our calling reflects the worthiness of Christ in us.

Why This Study

This study will help you:

- Grasp the glory and majesty of Jesus as revealed in heaven's throne room.
- See how obedience leads to deeper friendship with God.
- Recognize that holiness is possible because Christ lives in you.
- Respond to the worthiness of the Lamb with a life of worship and surrender.

Whether you are new to faith or have walked with Jesus for years, these five days will guide you into a richer understanding of what it means to live for the One who is worthy.

How to Use This Guide

Set aside time each day to:

- 1. Open your Bible and read the daily Scripture for yourself.
- Reflect on the Big Idea.
- 3. Consider the quote from the message.

- 4. Answer the discussion questions—checking the verses to see what God's Word says.
- 5. Pray and take the daily Application Step, using the optional ideas to help your group or family engage.

Day 1 - The Arena of Heaven

Daily Focus: See the glory and majesty of the throne room and the question that shakes heaven: "Who is worthy?"

Big Idea: No one in heaven or on earth was found worthy—until the Lamb stepped forward.

Scripture: Revelation 5:1-3 (ESV)

Quote:

"No angel, no creature, no human—no one—was worthy to open the scroll. This humbles us because it reminds us how much we need Him." — Blake Bradley

Study Tip: Have your Bible open and read the verses directly. Underline the word "worthy" and note how many times it's mentioned in the chapter.

Discussion Questions:

- New Christians: Read Revelation 5:1-3 again. What does it mean to you that no one but Jesus could open the scroll?
- *Mature Christians:* Where in verses 1–3 do you see the exclusivity of Christ's worthiness? How does this shape your view of ministry and service?
- *Jr. & Sr. High Students:* Read verses 1–3. Why do you think God wanted us to see that no one else was worthy?
- Families with Young Children: Read verse 3 together. How can we explain to kids why only Jesus could open the scroll?
- Families with Teenagers: Which part of verses 1–3 challenges us most about who or what we trust?

Application Step: Worship Jesus for His worthiness today—pray or sing to Him.

Optional Engagement: Kids can make a "Worthy" banner; teens can share a verse or image online.

Day 2 – Behold, the Lamb

Daily Focus: Recognize Jesus as the Lamb of God, the only One worthy to take the scroll.

Big Idea: Jesus is worthy because He was slain, spotless, and victorious over sin.

Scripture: Revelation 5:5-6; John 19:1-5

Quote:

"Pilate didn't know it, but when he said 'Behold the man,' he was declaring the Lamb of God without guilt." — Blake Bradley

Study Tip: Compare **Revelation 5** and **John 19** in your Bible. Notice the connection between the Lamb in heaven and the Lamb at the cross.

Discussion Questions:

- New Christians: Read Revelation 5:5-6. How do these verses describe Jesus?
- *Mature Christians:* In **John 19:1-5**, what do you see about Jesus' humility and obedience? How does this deepen your worship?
- *Jr. & Sr. High Students:* What stands out to you about the way Jesus is described in Revelation 5?
- Families with Young Children: Read John 19:5. How can we explain "Behold the man" in a way that shows Jesus' love?
- Families with Teenagers: How does connecting John 19 to Revelation 5 strengthen your faith in who Jesus is?

Application Step: Write a short prayer thanking Jesus for being the Lamb who gave His life for you.

Optional Engagement: Families can draw or paint a lamb and write "Worthy" across it. Teens can post a verse about the Lamb with a personal thought.

Day 3 - Covenant Friendship

Daily Focus: See how reverence and obedience bring us into deeper friendship with God.

Big Idea: The friendship of the Lord is for those who fear Him.

Scripture: John 15:13-15; Psalm 25:14

Quote:

"Obedience positions us to hear God's secret counsel." — Blake Bradley

Study Tip: Look up the word "friendship" in Psalm 25:14 in your Bible's footnotes or a concordance.

Discussion Questions:

- New Christians: Read John 15:14-15. What does Jesus say qualifies someone as His friend?
- Mature Christians: How do Psalm 25:14 and John 15 together define friendship with God?
- *Jr.* & *Sr. High Students:* What does Jesus mean by "if you do what I command you" in John 15:14?
- Families with Young Children: Read John 15:13. How can we show love like Jesus?
- Families with Teenagers: What does Psalm 25:14 reveal about God's desire for relationship with you?

Application Step: Choose one command of Jesus you can live out intentionally today.

Optional Engagement: Families can list commands of Jesus and put them where everyone will see. Teens can journal about what it means to be a friend of God.

Day 4 – Abraham's Yes

Daily Focus: Learn how Abraham's obedience revealed more of God's nature.

Big Idea: Our surrender opens the way for God to reveal Himself more deeply.

Scripture: Genesis 22:1-14

Quote:

"When Abraham held nothing back, God revealed Himself as Jehovah Jireh." — Blake Bradley

Study Tip: Circle the word "provide" in Genesis 22 and note what God provided and why.

Discussion Questions:

- *New Christians:* Read verses 1–3. How quickly did Abraham respond to God's command?
- *Mature Christians:* What does Abraham's obedience in verses 9–12 teach us about trust in God?
- *Jr.* & *Sr. High Students:* How do you think Abraham felt walking up that mountain? What do verses 11–14 show about God's character?
- Families with Young Children: Read verse 14. How can we remember that "the Lord will provide"?
- Families with Teenagers: How does Abraham's example challenge you to obey God even when it's costly?

Application Step: Identify one area of your life to place fully in God's hands today.

Optional Engagement: Families can share a time God provided. Teens can write "Jehovah Jireh" somewhere visible as a reminder.

Day 5 – Walking Worthy

Daily Focus: Live in a way that reflects the Worthy One within you.

Big Idea: Because Jesus is worthy, we are called to walk in holiness and imitate Him.

Scripture: Ephesians 4:1-3; Ephesians 5:1-2; 1 Peter 1:14-16

Quote:

"You can walk in holiness—not by your own strength, but by the strength of Him who is in you."

— Blake Bradley

Study Tip: In your Bible, underline "walk" and "worthy" in Ephesians 4:1, and "be holy" in 1 Peter 1:16.

Discussion Questions:

- New Christians: Read Ephesians 4:1-2. What does it look like to "walk worthy"?
- Mature Christians: How do these passages call us to live differently from the world?

- *Jr.* & *Sr. High Students:* Read 1 Peter 1:14-16. What does holiness mean for your daily choices?
- Families with Young Children: Read Ephesians 5:1. How can we "imitate God" in our home?
- Families with Teenagers: Which of these passages speaks most to how you live your faith publicly?

Application Step: Ask God to help you live today in a way that reflects His worthiness.

Optional Engagement: Families can choose one action to show Christ's love to others today. Teens can set a reminder on their phone with the phrase "Walk Worthy."

Bonus Reflection – Living in Light of the Worthy One

As you've studied over these five days, you've seen the arena of heaven, the Lamb who was slain, the covenant friendship God invites you into, the example of Abraham's obedience, and the call to walk worthy of your calling. Now it's time to bring it all together.

Reflect:

- 1. **Revelation 5** What did you learn about Jesus' worthiness?
- 2. **John 19** How did this deepen your understanding of the cross?
- 3. **Psalm 25 & John 15** How have you responded to God's friendship?
- 4. **Genesis 22** What is one area of your life you've newly surrendered?
- 5. Ephesians & 1 Peter What does walking worthy look like for you today?

Action:

Write a personal commitment statement, beginning with:

"Because You alone are worthy, Jesus, I will..."

Put this somewhere visible—inside your Bible, on your fridge, or as your phone's lock screen—as a daily reminder.

Daily Practice:

Speak your statement out loud every day as an act of worship and alignment with the truth of His worthiness. As you continue in your walk with Him, add new commitments to your statement. Over time, you'll have a personal record of your growth, obedience, and worship—a living testimony of what the Worthy One has done in your life.