**Rev. 5:1** opens with the **One** **on** the throne, holding a book in His right hand. It has already been established that this One is none other than the Father. In His **right** hand He holds this book. His **right** hand signifies **power**!

**Psa\_20:6** *Now know I that the LORD saveth his anointed; he will hear him from his holy heaven with* ***the saving strength of his right hand****.*

**Psa\_98:1** *O sing unto the LORD a new song; for he hath done marvellous things: his right hand****, and his holy arm, hath gotten him the victory.***

**Isa\_62:8** *The LORD hath sworn by his right hand****, and by the arm of his strength****, Surely I will no more give thy corn to be meat for thine enemies; and the sons of the stranger shall not drink thy wine, for the which thou hast laboured*:

This book is written within and on the back side and is sealed with seven seals. Some have said that this is in fact a scroll. I don't believe this to be the case because in two other places in scripture, the word ,scroll, is used. (**Isa.34:4; Rev6:14**). If it had been a scroll he would have used the word, scroll! It was a book!

What exactly is this book? We really don't know for sure. The fact is, it is wriiten within, that is, between the two covers. It is also written on the backside.That means there is writing on the backside of the "back" cover. If we believe that God had anything to do with the chapter divisions then this book could reflect the divisions in the **Book of Revelation**. Revelation has **21** chapters and if there were a seal after every **3rd** chapter, there would be **7** seals, with writing on the backside of the 7th seal, which would be chapter **22**.

Some believe this book to be the **Book of Daniel**. This belief is based upon the following scriptures.

**Dan 12:4** ***But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased***.

**Dan 12:8** ***And I heard, but I understood not: then said I, O my Lord, what shall be the end of these things?***

**:9** ***And he said, Go thy way, Daniel: for the words are closed up and sealed till the time of the end***.

It is impossible to identify this book for certain. What is certain is that there is coming a day when this book of 7 seals will be opened. I'm glad I will not be on the earth at that time because each seal speaks of **judgment**!

**Verses 2-4** speak of a proclamation being made by a strong angel. A question is asked, “***Who is worthy to open the book, and to loose the seals thereof***?” The answer? **No man in heaven**: saints, even the greatest of them! **No man in earth**: no Pope, no Imam, no Mullah, no Swami or Guru, no Priest or Preacher, and certainly, no Politician! **No man under the earth**:No hell dwelling man like Hitler, Stahlin,Pol Pot, Hussein, Ben Laden, etc.

This “opening” of the book entails more than simply the physical unlocking of a book as in a locked diary or journal. I believe it means this but it also refers to opening the book in the sense of unlocking its mysteries, explaining the sense and meaning of the text; providing illumination and understanding.

**Luk\_24:45 *Then opened he their understanding***,***that they might understand the scriptures***,

John is seen “***weeping much***” in **Vs. 4** because no man was found ***worthy*** to **open** and **read**, nor **look** upon the book. I don't know that anyone even tried. My guess is that no one even volunteered! I believe everyone but John understood that there was but One who was worthy!

**Vs. 5** has one of the elders **comforting** John and telling him that the **Lion of the Tribe of Juda (Gen. 49:9-10)**, the **Root of David** (**Matt. 22:41-46; Luke 1:32-33**) has prevailed to open the book and loose the 7 seals. These titles ofcourse belong to the Lord Jesus Christ!

The fact that it is said that he “**hath prevailed**” suggests that he had to “overcome” some things. It sounds as if he was victorious in some kind of struggle or struggles. His having “prevailed” makes Him worthy!

Consider: Christ's victory in the **wilderness**; His victory in **Gethsemane**; His victory on the **cross**; His victory over **death, hell and the grave**. The Lord Jesus Christ is indeed the **Undefeated**, **Undisputed**, Champion, not just of the world, but everything above and under it!! He is worthy!!