God on the Throne

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Sometimes we tend to think we can handle the glory of God, we don't realise how great His glory actually is.

Revelations 4 - a glimpse of the glory.

Glory: honour, glory, splendour, brightness, magnificence, excellence, majesty.

Moses spoke with God face to face, but even He couldn't see God's glory.

God was seated on the throne, and around Him was 24 thrones - but everyone seated on those thrones bowed down and worshipped God.

God the Father:

He sat on the throne.

Jasper (see-through glass).

Carnelian (red).

1 Timothy 6v15-16

God is immortal - none of us are immortal, we receive immortality from God as a gift.

Around the throne:

Four living beings. (Same as the 4 beings - cherubim's - described in Ezekiel). They worshipped God day and night "holy, holy is the Lord God almighty". Isaiah 6.

24 Elders:

Prostrate before the throne.

Throw their victor's crown before God, saying "You are worthy of glory, honour and power".

God is too magnificent, too glorious to not be worshipped.

It is God's desire to dwell with us - this great and glorious God wants to have a relationship with us.

Familiarity:

He is our Father, but we revere Him, honour Him and respect Him.

John 5v44, 12v43

God is our friend, but we don't treat Him as just a pal - He must be treated with honour and respect. God is not a playmate; He is not to be taken lightly.

When you become so familiar with the presence of God you can start treating it lightly.

Uzzah

2 Samuel 6 (taking lightly His glory).

Nadab and Abihu

Leviticus 10

God does not take lightly to be taken lightly.

Hebrews 12v28-29