

## WORTHY OF RICHES

Text: Revelation 5:12

### INTRODUCTION

- Why believers should “abound” in \_\_\_\_\_ (2 Cor. 8:7):
  - It \_\_\_\_\_ God.
  - It allows us to be \_\_\_\_\_ of God in His work.
  - It brings God’s grace through us into the lives of others.
  - It allows God to \_\_\_\_\_ us for faithful stewardship.
  - It teaches us not to be \_\_\_\_\_.
- Rev. 5:11-14, the message of the heavenly song of worship:
  - The prioritized Person = the \_\_\_\_\_
  - The foremost fact = He is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - The attached action = to \_\_\_\_\_ back from us
  - The seven appropriate applications:
    - \_\_\_\_\_ (strength, might)
    - Wisdom
    - Strength (ability to act)
    - Honor (reverence based on high valuation)
    - Glory
    - \_\_\_\_\_ (speak well, wish happiness)
    - Riches (our primary focus today)

### I. THE REASON TO GIVE

- Because God is \_\_\_\_\_ of your riches
- Why God is worthy to receive riches from you:
  - He \_\_\_\_\_ you.
  - He sustains your life.
  - He \_\_\_\_\_ you by His blood.
  - He \_\_\_\_\_ everything you have.
  - He gave you everything you have.
  - He faithfully \_\_\_\_\_.
  - He hears and answers your prayers.
  - He \_\_\_\_\_ gives beyond your basic needs.

### II. THE RIGHT \_\_\_\_\_ TO GIVE

- With all your \_\_\_\_\_, with zeal, and with gratitude for what you have received.
- Illustration: How the heavenly worshippers honored God in their worship:
  - Vs. 12, they praised God with a \_\_\_\_\_ voice.

- Vs. 13, they \_\_\_\_\_ participated.
- Vs. 14, they acted with zealous \_\_\_\_\_.
- 4:10, they returned their \_\_\_\_\_ to God.

### III. THE \_\_\_\_\_ FOR GIVING

#### A. To \_\_\_\_\_

- Why it’s right to tithe:
  1. **Because God \_\_\_\_\_ it (Prov. 3:9-10).**
    - “Honor” = to show that God is \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. **Because God is \_\_\_\_\_ by it.**
    - If tithing is the way God says we can and should honor Him with our increase, how can we say we are honoring God with our material resources if we’re not tithing?

#### B. To give \_\_\_\_\_ above the tithe.

- In this new dispensation and covenant of grace, we are now free in the Spirit not to give less than a tithe but to give \_\_\_\_\_!
- This kind of giving was:
  1. \_\_\_\_\_ by Jesus (Mark 12:41-44)
  2. \_\_\_\_\_ by the early church (Acts 4:34-37)
  3. \_\_\_\_\_ in the epistles
    - In the example of Christ (2 Cor. 8:9).
    - In the example of the \_\_\_\_\_ (2 Cor. 8:3-5)
    - In the exhortations of Paul (2 Cor. 9:6-7)

### CONCLUSION

- Challenge: To take at least one specific \_\_\_\_\_ of faith to abound in the grace of giving this coming Sunday.