

Is He Worthy?

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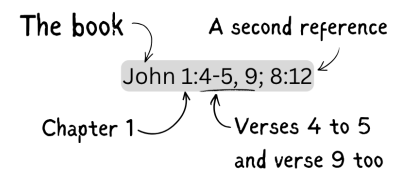
This is a song we have sung in church. As we sing each question, as if we are asking each other, we also sing “we do” or “it is”. It is a way of us declaring truth to each other and also affirming what we believe (saying “Yes I believe this!”).

Here are some notes and examples of some of the Bible passages that link with each line of this worship song (some links are stronger than others!)

There is too much to read in one go so maybe pick out what interests you, sit with your Bible and look up the references.

Can you think of any other passages to add too?

Help reading the Bible chapter and verse numbers



Do you believe the words you are singing?

Song words	Notes
Verse 1	
Do you feel the world is broken?	This question is our starting point, we feel that things really aren't right with the world (John 16:33; Romans 8:22; 2 Timothy 3:1-5) including, deep down, ourselves too (Romans 3:23; 1 John 1:8).
Do you feel the shadows deepen?	Every time we see badness in the world it feels as though things are just getting worse (Isaiah 60:2; Matthew 24:12)
But do you know that all the dark won't stop the light from getting through?	This brokenness and shadows are caused by evil (the dark). The light is God and all His goodness (John 1:4-5, 9; 8:12; Isaiah 9:2; Revelation 22:5)
Do you wish that you could see it all made new?	Revelation 21

Verse 2	
Is all creation groaning?	Romans 8:19-23
Is a new creation coming?	Romans 8:21; Revelation 21
Is the glory of the Lord to be the light within our midst?	Revelation 22:5
Is it good that we remind ourselves of this?	Hebrews 3:13; Colossians 3:16; 2 Peter 1:12-15

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Chorus (part 1)	
Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?	The chorus references Revelation 5 a lot. This book is full of complex picture language. Here, the author (John) is describing a vision of the future. Revelation 5:1-4
Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?	
The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave	Revelation 5:5, Genesis 49:9-10; 1 Corinthians 15:54-57
He is David's root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave	Revelation 5:5, 9; Isaiah 11:1, 11; John 1:29; Matthew 20:28; Romans 6:6-7

Verse 3	
Does the Father truly love us?	John 15:9; Romans 5:8; 1 John 3:1; Ephesians 2:4-5
Does the Spirit move among us?	Acts 2:1-4; Joel 2:28-32; see the rest of Acts too!
And does Jesus, our Messiah, hold forever those He loves?	John 10:27-29; John 6:37-40; Romans 8:35-39
Does our God intend to dwell again with us?	Genesis 3:8; John 1:14; Revelation 21:3

Chorus (part 2)	
From every people and tribe, every nation and tongue	Revelation 5:9
He has made us a kingdom and priests to God	Revelation 5:10, 1 Peter 2:4-5, 9-10; Hebrews 10:19
To reign with the Son	Romans 8:17; Galatians 4:7

Chorus (end)	
Is He worthy? Is He worthy? Of all blessing and honor and glory? Is He worthy of this? He is	This is our response. We are being asked whether Jesus is worthy of all our praise and worship. This reflects the image we have of heaven in Revelation 5. Read Revelation 5:9-14.