



# A HEART SET HIGHER

*Colossians 3:1-2*

***If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.***

## 1. IRRESTIBLE \_\_\_\_\_

***Revelation 4:3 And he who sat there had the appearance of jasper and carnelian, and around the throne was a rainbow that had the appearance of an emerald.***

*Exodus 28*

*Ezekiel 1:28 Like the appearance of the bow that is in the cloud on the day of rain, so was the appearance of the brightness all around. Such was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the LORD. And when I saw it, I fell on my face, and I heard the voice of one speaking.*

*Psalms 27:4 One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple.*

FOR A HEART SET HIGHER—IRRESISTIBLE BEAUTY

- \* Pray to be enraptured by the beauty of God.
- \* What pleasure, relief, or security have you been deceived to think of as beautiful? Identify how it pales and uglifies next to the glory and beauty of God.

## 2. ENTHRONED \_\_\_\_\_

***Revelation 4:4 Around the throne were twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones were twenty-four elders, clothed in white garments, with golden crowns on their heads.***

*Revelation 19:7-8 Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his Bride has made herself ready; it was granted her to clothe herself with fine linen, bright and pure"*

*Revelation 4:10-11 The twenty-four elders fall down before him who is seated on the throne and worship him who lives forever and ever. They cast their crowns before the throne, saying, "Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created."*

FOR A HEART SET HIGHER—ENTHRONED AUTHORITY

- \* Determine to embrace and welcome authority.
- \* Identify specific ways you have been rebellious to God's ordering of the world and His authorities in your life.

## 3. GLORIOUS \_\_\_\_\_

***Revelation 4:5 From the throne came flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder,***

*Hebrews 12:18-24 For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest.....But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.*

FOR A HEART SET HIGHER—GLORIOUS POWER

- \* In what ways have you sought victory over or freedom from sin in your own power? Repent!
- \* Praise Jesus for His imputed righteousness. Each morning, choose one way in which you need to reflect Him that day. Ask God for His grace and the power of His Spirit to do so.

4. COMPLETE \_\_\_\_\_

**Rev. 4:5b and before the throne were burning seven torches of fire, which are the seven spirits of God,**

*Isaiah 11:2-3 And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide disputes by what his ears hear...*

FOR A HEART SET HIGHER—COMPLETE WISDOM

- \* Wisdom—there's always a choice between worldly or godly.
- \* Understanding—meditate on, asked Spirit to illuminate God's Word for the situation.
- \* Counsel—how does God's Word counsel you?
- \* Might—power, strength, valor, courage, not fear of situation.
- \* Knowledge—perception and awareness of God, sense of His presence.
- \* Fear of the Lord—awe, appreciation, apprehension.
- \* Delight!!!

5. CALMED \_\_\_\_\_

**Rev. 4:6a and before the throne there was as it were a sea of glass, like crystal.**

*Rev. 13:1 And I saw a beast rising out of the sea, with ten horns and seven heads, with ten diadems on its horns and blasphemous names on its heads.*

FOR A HEART SET HIGHER—CALMED EVIL

- \* Name three evil choices you have previously made, that are calmed when God rules your life.

6. CEASELESS, ABANDONED \_\_\_\_\_

**Rev. 4:6b-9 And around the throne, on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with the face of a man, and the fourth living creature like an eagle in flight...never cease to say, "Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!"**

FOR A HEART SET HIGHER—CEASELESS, ABANDONED WORSHIP

- \* What obedience would evidence that you are worshipping the God who is holy?

**Revelation 5:5-6 And one of the elders said to me, "Weep no more; behold, the **Lion** of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals." And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a **Lamb** standing, as though it had been slain...**