## In God's Hands #3 Providence and Prophecy Revelation 5:1-8

For in Him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell  $\sim$  Colossians 1:19

Question: What does the Lord know that we don't?

Answer: He knows EVERYTHING knowable including the FUTURE.

■We are only scratching the surface of the knowable.

Yet, we think we know it All! File this item under human ARROGANCE.

Question: Does God share what He knows with human beings?

Answer: On a limited basis, YES.

Indeed, the Sovereign Lord never does anything

until He reveals his plans to His servants the prophets. ~ Amos 3:7

Question: What's a prophet?

Answer: Someone the Holy Spirit reveals His plans to.

- Someone the Church should listen to.
- ➡ God does share His plans with those who have the gift of Prophecy.
- → The gifts Christ gave to the church: the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists and pastor/teachers. Their responsibility is to equip God's people to do His work. Eph. 4:11,12.
- Also See Acts 13:1

Reading: Revelation 5:1-8

What we know:

- The Apostle John is a Prophet.
- The Book of Revelation is Prophecy.
- The <u>SCROLL</u> details the Ending Events of our world.
- These Ending Events are taking place <u>NOW</u>.

HOW? God's Right Hand of PROVIDENCE!

Evidence? Israel and the Church.

Question: So what do we do in the meantime?

- ★Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. ~ Matt. 24: 42, 43
- ► YOU also must be ready; for the Son of Man is coming unexpectedly.