REVELATION: Lesson 88 Chapter 7:9-10 The Throne of God

According to our text tonight, God is presently sitting on His throne, while the Lamb of God is not. In fact, Jesus Christ has no throne until the end of the Tribulation. What does the Bible say about these thrones?

First Heaven:	The area in which man can live.
Third Heaven:	The location of God's throne. Paradise is there, New Jerusalem is there.
Second Heaven:	The solar system which is also the realm of the principalities, powers, and spiritual wickedness in high places—battling for dominion over earthly governments and influencing rulers on Earth.
Matthew 19:27-30	Jesus spoke of " the throne of his glory " (vs 28) in reference to his rule on Earth during the millennium (after the Tribulation).
Luke 1:26-32	The angel Gabriel proclaimed that Jesus would sit on David's throne (in Jerusalem).
Matthew 25:31	When Jesus comes in his glory (Acts 1:11), He will sit upon the throne of his glory. Jesus is not our King; He is our Savior. We are not supposed to set up a physical kingdom on Earth, we are to advance God's spiritual kingdom.
Mark 16:19	Jesus is not on a throne in Heaven. He is sitting at the right hand of the Father.
Hebrews 1:1-3	Jesus has been APPOINTED heir of all things (future). The New Testament Church is joint heir with Him (Rom 8:17). Jesus Christ cannot receive the inheritance until His Church is complete (1 Pet 2:5, Col 2:7). In the meantime, He sits at the right hand of the Majesty on High.
1 Timothy 2:5	Jesus is not presently ruling; He is our Mediator, praying for us every day.
Romans 8:28-35	Jesus Christ died for us, rose again, and is now at the right hand of God making intercession for us.
Acts 5:30-31	After Jesus Christ died on the cross, God exalted Him to His right hand to be a Prince and a Savior, not a King (yet).
Matthew 22:41-44	The Lord Jesus will sit at God's right hand UNTIL He makes His enemies His footstool.
Ephesians 6:10-12	Christians are warned about spiritual wickedness in high places (second heaven). We are in a spiritual battle. We don't have time to get involved in carnal battles. We need the intercession and the resurrection power of Jesus Christ. We'd better stay close to Him in Heavenly places (Eph 1:20, 2:6).
Ezekiel 1:4-28	Wheels within wheels transport the throne of God.

The Seventh Judgment

- 1. Our sins were judged at Calvary.
- 2. Judgment Seat of Christ (for believers).
- 3. The Judgment of nations (after the Tribulation).
- 4. The Great White Throne Judgment (after the millennium).
- 5. Judgment in Genesis 1 (gap).
- 6. Universal flood (Genesis 6-8).
- 7.
- 8. Destruction of the present heavens, new heaven and earth.

It seems that there is a missing judgment. A new heaven and earth is a new beginning. If 7 represents completion, then 8 is a new beginning. What is the judgment that is always overlooked?

Daniel 7:9-14This passage describes the destruction of the Beast at the end of the Tribulation and
"the rest of the beasts" (vs 12) being stripped of their dominion.

This is a judgment (vs 10) that takes place in the second heaven by God the Father against the principalities and powers in high places.

Then, "one like the Son of man" (Jesus Christ) approaches the Ancient of days (vs 13) and is given an everlasting dominion and a kingdom that cannot be destroyed.

- Matthew 26:62-64 Jesus told Pontius Pilate that he would see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power (Church age, not ruling). After that, He would come in the clouds of heaven (the first heaven) when He returns to Earth to rule.
- **Revelation 11:15** There is great rejoicing in heaven when the multitudes see God the Father give the kingdoms of the Earth to His Son, Jesus Christ.
- Revelation 22:1-4 In Eternity the throne is called "the throne of God AND of the Lamb."

