Sons - When Worship is More Than Words

Rev 5:12 – Saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive <u>power</u>, and <u>riches</u>, and <u>wisdom</u>, and <u>strength</u>, and <u>honour</u>, and <u>glory</u>, and <u>blessing</u>. KJV (and Rev. 7:12)

As sons we want to give these 7 things to God, because we have received them and have them to give.

2 Sam 24:24 – I will not offer burnt offerings to the Lord my God which cost me nothing. NASU Rom 11:36 – For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be the glory forever! Amen.

Power (dunamis G1411) – Force, specifically miraculous power, by implication a miracle itself

(We can, and expect to, be powerful spiritually and practically)

- Matt 10:1 He called his twelve disciples to him and gave them authority to drive out evil spirits and to heal every disease and sickness. NIV
- Acts 1:8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you. NIV

Riches (ploutos G4149) – spiritual and material riches

(We can steward both spiritual and natural wealth)

- Matt 6:20-21 But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven...For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. NIV
- 2 Cor 8:9 For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich. NIV

Wisdom (sophia G4678) – insight into the true nature of things

(We have wisdom that works, the mind of Christ)

• Luke 21:15-16 - For I will give you words and wisdom that none of your adversaries will be able to resist or contradict. NIV

Strength (ischus G2479) – force, might strength, power

(We are spiritual warriors who confront evil, not pacifists)

• Eph 6:10-11 – Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. NIV

Honor (time G5099) – a value, esteem, dignity

(We can receive compliments and say thank you)

- Acts 28:10 They honored us in many ways and when we were ready to sail, they furnished us with the supplies we needed. NIV
- Rom 12:10-11 Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves. NIV

Glory (doxa G1391) – the honor that results from a good opinion

(We carry God's glory and men see it and honor it)

- Gen 1:26 Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule NIV
- Gen 12:2 I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. NIV
- John 17:22 I have given them the glory that you gave me NIV

Blessing (eulogia G2129) – to speak well of, to bless

(We are not above being blessed; receiving help and encouragement)

- 1 Peter 3:9-10 Do not repay evil with evil or insult with insult, but with blessing, because to this you were called so that you may inherit a blessing. NIV
- Gen 24:1-2 Abraham was now old... and the Lord had blessed him in every way. NIV

At the end of the day, we can cast our 7 crowns before the throne in worship!