Type: Joy Through Reading
Theme: God's Throne
Season: General
Scripture: Revelation

Scripture: Revelation 4
Duration: 15 min
Participants: 3+
Memorization: No

Characters

Leader - Introduces the activity, guides the group, speaks to residents

Reader #1 - Asks the opening question

Reader #2-#7 - Divide the Bible reading according to the number of youth present. (or 1–2 readers may read all verses)

Technician - Manages audio playback

A PICTURE OF GOD’S THRONE

PURPOSE: When we close our eyes to pray, we come before God’s throne. The Creator of all things hears every prayer and bends down to listen to us (Psalm 116:2). Revelation 4 explains what God’s Throne looks like, which is a reminder that God is with us, and God is in control.

ACTIVITY OVERVIEW

An expanded art/coloring activity where youth read Revelation 4 aloud in parts, listen to worship music, draw their picture of God’s throne, and give their artwork to elderly resident.

As **Revelation 4** is read aloud, a vivid picture of **God’s mighty throne** is painted in our minds. While the youth listen to Scripture and the accompanying song, they will **color and illustrate their own vision** of what God’s throne looks like.

Each picture becomes an individual art piece that is given to each resident as a reminder that **God is present, and God is in control**.

PROPS

- Blank sheets of paper
- Colored pencils or crayons

- Text copies of **Revelation 4**
- Bibles
- Sample “Throne Picture” to show as visual example prior to the visit.
- Extra Samples: If there are fewer youth than residents, bring extra printed pictures of God’s Throne so each resident receives one.
- Download music from YouTube or another platform
  Suggested Song: *“Revelation Song”* by The Yuns (or artist of your choice)

SETTING

Children sit in the front of the room, facing the residents.
The Leader stands slightly to the side so residents can clearly see the youth.

SCRIPT

LEADER

(Step forward. Pause. Speak slowly and confidently.)

“God has a plan for every one of us.
One day, He will return and make everything right.

But until that day, no matter what happens in this world,
we can remember this truth:
God is with us, and **He is on His throne.**

He always has been.
He is now. And He always will be.
God is still in control — and He always has the final say.”

(Brief pause.)

READER #1

(Raises hand, stands up, and looking up with a curious tone.)

“What does God’s throne look like?”

LEADER

(Hold up a Bible.)

“God gives us an open door to see what His throne looks like.
Let’s listen to His Word and imagine it together.”

[STAGE DIRECTION]

- Divide the Bible reading according to the number of youth present. *(or 1–2 readers may read all verses)*
- Have youth **sit or stand classroom-style** in front of the Leader
- Readers stand when it is their turn, then sit back down
- Read slowly and clearly
- Pause briefly between verses to allow the words to sink in

#1 READER: Then as I looked, I saw a door standing open in heaven, and the same voice I had heard before spoke to me like a trumpet blast. The voice said, “Come up here, and I will show you what must happen after this.”

#2 READER: And instantly I was in the Spirit, and I saw a throne in heaven and someone sitting on it. The one sitting on the throne was as brilliant as gemstones— like jasper and carnelian. And the glow of an emerald circled his throne like a rainbow.”

#3 READER: Twenty-four thrones surrounded him, and twenty-four elders sat on them. They were all clothed in white and had gold crowns on their heads. From the throne came flashes of lightning and the rumble of thunder.

#4 READER: And in front of the throne were seven torches with burning flames. This is the sevenfold Spirit of God. In front of the throne was a shiny sea of glass, sparkling like crystal.

#5 READER: In the center and around the throne were four living beings, each covered with eyes, front and back. (These living beings were a lion, Ox, Human face, and an Eagle)…… Day after day and night after night they keep on saying, “Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God, the Almighty—the one who always was, who is, and who is still to come.”

#6 READER: Whenever the living beings give glory and honor and thanks to the one sitting on the throne, the twenty-four elders fall down and worship the one sitting on the throne (the one who lives forever and ever).

#7 READER: And they lay their crowns before the throne and say, “You are worthy, O Lord our God, to receive glory and honor and power. For you created all things, and they exist because you created what you pleased.”

LEADER:

“The song you are about to hear is called **‘Revelation Song.’**
It is a song that describes **God’s mighty throne** in heaven.

As this song plays, our youth will quietly color a picture of **God’s Throne**, imagining it the way they see it in their hearts.

At the end of the song, each resident will receive one of these pictures.

TECHNICIAN *(Cue music)*
Start song: *"Revelation Song"*

[STAGE DIRECTIONS]

- Youth begin coloring quietly
- Movements are slow and focused
- No talking during the song
- Allow the Scripture and music to guide their imagination
- Avoid rushing; allow the song to set the pace

ENDING OF SONG

[STAGE DIRECTION]
As the music fades:

- Youth stand slowly
- Each youth walks calmly to a resident
- Make eye contact and give the picture to a resident.

PRAYER:

Lord, may this picture be a reminder that You love us. You tell us in Your Word to "Be sure of this: You are with us always, even to the end of the age." *(Matthew 28:20)*

In Jesus name, Amen

Props

- Blank paper
- Colored pencils or crayons
- Text copies of Revelation 4
- Bibles
- Printed pictures of God's Throne (one per youth)

Staging

Readers stand to read their assigned verses.
After reading and coloring, youth give their pictures to elderly residents as gifts.

Music / Audio

"Revelation Song" played during the coloring activity