dis-tinct]də'stiNG(k)t]: Recognizably different in nature from something of a similar type.

"The greatest single cause of atheism in the world today is Christians: who acknowledge Jesus with their lips, walk out the door, and deny Him by their lifestyle. That is what an unbelieving world simply finds unbelievable." (Brennan Manning)

"Then I saw a Lamb, looking as if it had been slain, standing at the center of the throne, encircled by the four living creatures and the elders. The Lamb had seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. He went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who sat on the throne. And when he had taken it, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb. Each one had a harp and they were holding golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of God's people. And they sang a new song, saying: 'You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased for God persons from every tribe and language and people and nation.'"

Revelation 5:6-9, NIV

Distinctly of the Lamb	
GOD'S PROPERTY: We are	

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A DIVERSE COMMUNITY: We are	



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"In a loud voice they were saying: 'Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honour and glory and praise!' Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, saying: 'To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honour and glory and power, for ever and ever!' The four living creatures said, 'Amen,' and the elders fell down and worshiped." Revelation 5:12-14, NIV

Distinctly of the Lamb	
GLORIOUS VITALITY: We are	



3 APOCALYPTIC QUESTIONS:
1. Am I distinctively Christian? What about my life distinctive? Do those distinctions line up with the picture in Revelation 5?
2. Do I find my identity primarily as a Christian or is there another label that I identify with more significantly? What labels need to take a back seat?
3. Does my life bear witness to the greatness, glory and Kingdom of the Lamb? What would declaring and demonstrating (witness) the Good News look like in my day to day life?