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 bZecu. tii. Xseven eyes, which are ‘the seven seven horns and seven eyes,   
 & Spirits of God sent forth into all the which are the seven Spirils   
 7 And he came and took f it of God sent forth into all   
 otdeet out of the right hand \* of him that the earth, 7 And he came   
 ‘and many 8 And when and took the book out of   
 ¥as2 he took the book, ! the four living- the right hand of him that   
 beings and the four and twenty sat upon the throne. § And   
 Loh. iv. elders fell down before the Lamb, when he had taken the book,   
 ving each one a ™harp ¢, and the four beasts and four   
 and twenty elders fell down   
 mensiv.2, hy before the Lamb, having   
 +a; iit golden vials full of incense, ®which| every golden of them full of   
 a he “ors of the saints. 9 And|°2t"% which are the   
 atS,9, are the prayers of the saints. nd | rrayers of saints, 9 And   
 che vill   
   
 it was not lying, but standing) as if upon the throne (Vitringa’s enquiry,   
 slain (j.e. retaining the appearance of whether we are to imagine the Lamb to   
 death-wounds on\_ its looking as have had partly a human form and hands,   
 if it had been slain: compare ch. i. 18. is rightly dismissed by Disterdieck as   
 So the majority of Commentators. Ebrard unneeded, and bespeaking want of tact),   
 is quite wrong in supposing that the as if 8.] Song of praise following there-   
 has any emphasis on it: it merely serves upon. And when he took (not, «when   
 to solve the apparent paradox lying in he had taken,” 28 A. V., but a pure past:   
 the juxtaposition of standing and slain), the context, and not the word itself, in-   
 having seven horns (the horn is the dieating that the act to be described was   
 well-known emblem of might: compare subsequent to that thus expressed) the   
 10; 1 Kings xxii. J1; Ps. ex book, the four living-beings and the   
 . 14; Dan. vii. 1, ff, viii, MF 5 twenty-four elders fell down before the   
 ‘The perfect number seven Lamb (who shares the divine throne, and   
 represents that “all power is given unto hononr, and worship, ver. 185 ch. xxii. 13   
 Him in heaven and earth,” Matt. xxviii, and ch. iii, 21), having each [of them)   
 18) and seven eyes, which (eyes) are the (this apparently applies only to the elders :   
 seven spirits of God sent forth into the not for any grammatical reason, but ow ac-   
 whole earth (i.e. which eyes represent count of the symbolism: for 1) it is   
 the watchful active operation of God’s unnatural to suppose figures described as:   
 Spirit poured forth through the Death and the four living-beings are, having harps or   
 by the vietory of the Lamb, upon all flesh vials; and even if this is not to be pressed   
 and all creation. As the seven burning [see above on ver. 7}, yeb 2) it is in-   
 lamps before the throne represented the Consistent with the Fight view of the four   
 Spirit of God immanent in the Godhead, living-heings, as representing creation,   
 so the seven eyes the Lamb represent that they should present the prayers of   
 the san in his sevenfold perfection, the Snints) a harp (properly a zie or   
 profluent, so to speak, from the inearnate kind of guitar, played cither with the   
 Redeemer: busied in His world-wide and hand, or with a plectram or quill), and   
 world-long energy: the word used, golden vials (cups, or bowls: or, by the   
 apestalmena, reminding us of the apostolic context, censcrs) full of incense, which   
 work and church. Compare Zech. iv. 10: (vials: each vial being full of ineense)   
 \* Those seven... they are the eyes of the are (represent) the prayers of the saints   
 Lord which run to and fro through the (sce especially ch. viii. 8: Ps. 2, «Let   
 whole earth”). my prayer be set forth before Thee as in-   
 7.) The Lamb takes the Book. And conse.” ‘The twenty-four clders, represent   
 he (or, if) came and took (not, ‘ received,’ ing as they do the whole church of God,   
 as Ebrurd. ‘The hook hy on the open are represented as ofleving the praises and.   
 hund of Him that sat on the throne, the prayers of the whole church: the   
 for any to take who was found worthy) harps representing the former, the cen-   
 it (i.e the Book ; compare next verse) sers the latter. Of any thing approach-   
 out of the right hand of Him that sat ing intercession on the part of the glorified