

**Wednesday Evening Bible Study**  
**The Book of Revelation**  
**Chapter 7**  
**Lesson 14**

- The question is often asked, “Will anyone be saved during the Great Tribulation?”
- According to chapter 7 of Revelation the answer is clearly, “yes.”
- However, knowing exactly “who” will be saved is a point not so clearly defined
- I want you to understand that chapter 7 can be easily, and simply, broken down into 2 sections
- The 1<sup>st</sup> section is 7:1-8, and it focuses on, “the sealed of God” and the
- 2<sup>nd</sup> section is in 7:9-16, and it focuses on the “great multitude”

**1) The “Sealed Of God”**

**a) Identity Of The “Sealed Of God”**

- 1) This is not the first time we see that people are “sealed” in the Bible
- 2) In each of these instances, the seal was placed upon someone to protect them from the \_\_\_\_\_ of God
- 3) In chapter 7, we find that God is once again placing His seal of protection upon a specific group of people during the Great Tribulation
- 4) The question is, “Who are the ‘sealed of God’?”
- 5) This is not a difficult passage, for the answer to this question is found in v. 4-8
- 6) The “sealed of God” according to v. 4 are, “\_\_\_\_\_ of all the tribes of the children of Israel.”
- 7) v. 5-8 gets specific as it reveals that there will be \_\_\_\_\_ of each of the 12 tribes of Israel who shall be “sealed” during this pause between the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> seals
- 8) The 144,000 is clearly a group of \_\_\_\_\_.
- 9) The 144,000 are not mentioned again until 14:1-5. We find them standing with Jesus on Mount Zion and recognized for enduring the Great Tribulation

**b) Activity Of The “Sealed Of God”**

- 1) Here’s where the text gets interesting! “What” will these 144,000 Jews who have become Christians do during the Great Tribulation?
- 2) Though it is not stated in this passage, it is my conviction that this group of Jews will be world-wide \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3) I used to believe that ONLY Jews would be saved during the Great Tribulation, but 7:9 and 14 clearly show us that people, “of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues” will be in that great multitude
- 4) Concerning the Gentiles, it is my *conviction* that those Gentiles who reject Jesus during prior to the rapture will not have another opportunity during the Great Tribulation
- 5) This is based upon II Thessalonians 2:11-12

**2) The “Great Multitude”**

**a) The Identity Of The “Great Multitude”**

- 1) vs. 9 and 14 give us the primary description needed to determine the identify this group

- 2) The description begins, “a great multitude which no one could number, of all \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands,”
- 3) A key identifying point for this group is found in v. 13 where one of the \_\_\_\_\_ (representing the church from the NT and the saints from the OT) asks John, “Who are these people?”
- 4) This question helps us to understand that this multitude is NOT the church, nor the OT saints, but another group of believers
- 5) I believe that this “great multitude” is comprised of those individuals who come to receive Christ during the Great Tribulation
- 6) And “how” shall they hear of Christ since the church will have already been raptured?
- 7) From the preaching of the 144,000 Jewish evangelists

**b) The Activity Of The “Great Multitude”**

**1) What The “Great Multitude” Will Not Be Doing**

- (1) v. 16, “they shall neither \_\_\_\_\_ anymore nor \_\_\_\_\_ anymore”
- (2) Remember, during the tribulation food and fresh water will be scarce! God promises that they shall no longer have to endure such heart ache
- (3) Some think that these martyrs will be forced to go hungry because they will not accept the mark of the beast so that they might buy and sell (13:16-17)
- (4) v. 16, “the \_\_\_\_\_ shall not strike them, nor any \_\_\_\_\_”
- (5) Some think that these martyrs will be forced to live in the deserts/wilderness as they flee from the persecution of the Antichrist

**2) What The “Great Multitude” Will Be Doing**

- (1) v. 10, “and crying out with a loud voice, saying, ‘Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!’”
- (2) Walvoord says that heaven, “is not only a place of rest from earthly toil but also a place of privileged service.”
- (3) And most importantly, notice “what” God will be doing for this “great multitude”
- (4) v. 17, “for the Lamb who is in the midst of the throne will \_\_\_\_\_ them and lead them to living fountains of waters. And God will wipe away every \_\_\_\_\_ from their eyes.”