

Welcome to Emmanuel Temple Church



***"Come Let us worship the
Lord In Spirit and In Truth"***

A Life Changing Experience

The Book of Revelation



Chapter 7

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Theme of Revelation

Revelation 1:19 - Write the things which you have seen, and the things which are, and the things which will take place after this.

- The things which you have seen (ch. 1)
- The things which are (ch. 2,3)
- The things which will take place after this (ch. 4-22)



The Church is in Heaven

Rev 4:1 - After these things I looked, and behold, a door standing open in heaven. And the first voice which I heard was like a trumpet speaking with me, saying, "Come up here, and **I will show you things which must take place after this.**"



The Church is in Heaven

Rev 4:4 Around the throne were twenty-four thrones, and on the thrones I saw **twenty-four elders** sitting, clothed in white robes; and they had crowns of gold on their heads



Revelation 7

- Takes place between the 6th and 7th seal. The 7th seal is opened in Chapter 8 between cosmic disturbances and the prelude to the 7 trumpets.
- Verses 1-8 – 144,000 are sealed
- Verses 9-17 – Multitude saved during the tribulation period



Revelation 7

- Chapter 7 is considered the 1st parenthetical passage.
- Tells about things that will transpire, but were not contained in the revealing of the seal, trumpet, or bowl judgments.
- Reveals what else is taking place during the judgments – like a side note



Recap of the 6th Seal

12 I looked when He opened the sixth seal, and behold, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became like blood.

13 And the stars of heaven fell to the earth, as a fig tree drops its late figs when it is shaken by a mighty wind.



Recap of the 6th Seal

14 Then the sky receded as a scroll when it is rolled up, and every mountain and island was moved out of its place.

15 And the kings of the earth, the great men, the rich men, the commanders, the mighty men, every slave and every free man, hid themselves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains,



Recap of the 6th Seal

16 and said to the mountains and rocks,
"Fall on us and hide us from the face of
Him who sits on the throne and from
the wrath of the Lamb!



Recap of the 6th Seal

17 For the great day of His
wrath has come, and who is
able to stand?"



Revelation 7

- Answers that question!!!
- Is an interlude showing 2 visions given to John of 144,000 sealed and a multitude from the Great Tribulation
- Shows grace and salvation during the period of judgment



Revelation 7:1

1 After these things I saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, on the sea, or on any tree.



Revelation 7:2

2 Then I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God. And he cried with a loud voice to the four angels to whom it was granted to harm the earth and the sea,



Revelation 7:3,4

3 saying, "Do not harm the earth, the sea, or the trees till we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads."

4 And I heard the number of those who were sealed. One hundred and forty-four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel were sealed:



Preview of Chapter 8

- 1/3 of trees were burned up
- All green grass burned up
- 1/3 of sea became blood
- 1/3 of living creatures died
- 1/3 of ships destroyed

***But this can't happen until the
144,000 are sealed***



Ezekiel 9:4

4 and the Lord said to him, "Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and put a mark on the foreheads of the men who sigh and cry over all the abominations that are done within it."



144,000

- Come from the tribes of the children of Israel
- Are the sons of Jacob, who is the grandson of Abraham – “Father of the Jews” Genesis 14:13
- NOT THE CHURCH – the church has already been caught up



144,000

- Is not symbolic of the church
- Are not spiritual Israel – church
- Are not “Militant Christians”
- Is 12,000 from the 12 tribes listed



144,000

- Problem with groups who claim that they are or will be part of the 144,000
 1. Many people in the groups have no Jewish heritage or know what tribe they come from
 2. They want to remain on earth after the church is gone and endure some of the tribulation



Romans 11:1-6

I ask, then: Did God reject his own people? Certainly not! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin.

2 God has not rejected his people, whom he chose from the beginning. You know what the scripture says in the passage where Elijah pleads with God against Israel:



Romans 11:1-6

- 3 "Lord, they have killed your prophets and torn down your altars; I am the only one left, and they are trying to kill me."
- 4 What answer did God give him? "I have kept for myself seven thousand men who have not worshiped the false god Baal."



Romans 11:1-6

- 5 It is the same way now: there is a small number left of those whom God has chosen because of his grace.
- 6 His choice is based on his grace, not on what they have done. For if God's choice were based on what people do, then his grace would not be real grace.



Romans 11:11,12

11 I ask, then: When the Jews stumbled, did they fall to their ruin? By no means! Because they sinned, salvation has come to the Gentiles, to make the Jews jealous of them.



Romans 11:11,12

12 The sin of the Jews brought rich blessings to the world, and their spiritual poverty brought rich blessings to the Gentiles. Then, how much greater the blessings will be when the complete number of Jews is included!



Romans 11:26-33

26 And this is how all Israel will be saved. As the scripture says, "The Savior will come from Zion and remove all wickedness from the descendants of Jacob.

27 I will make this covenant with them when I take away their sins."



Romans 11:26-33

28 Because they reject the Good News, the Jews are God's enemies for the sake of you Gentiles. But because of God's choice, they are his friends because of their ancestors.

29 For God does not change his mind about whom he chooses and blesses.



Romans 11:26-33

30 As for you Gentiles, you disobeyed God in the past; but now you have received God's mercy because the Jews were disobedient.

31 In the same way, because of the mercy that you have received, the Jews now disobey God, in order that they also may now receive God's mercy.



Romans 11:26-33

32 For God has made all people prisoners of disobedience, so that he might show mercy to them all. Praise to God

33 How great are God's riches! How deep are his wisdom and knowledge! Who can explain his decisions? Who can understand his ways?



144,000

Tribes of Israel – Gen.

Reuben Naphtali
Simeon Joseph
Levi Benjamin
Judah
Zebulun
Issachar
Dan
Gad
Asher

Tribes of Israel - Rev.

Judah Zebulun
Reuben Joseph
Gad Benjamin
Asher
Naphtali
Manasseh
Simeon
Levi
Issachar



Revelation 7:9-17

9 After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands,



Great Multitude

Rev. 7:9-12

I looked and saw a great multitude, which no man could count, of all nations, kindred, people and tongues. They stood before the throne, and before the Lamb clothed in white robes with palms in their hands.



I cried with a loud voice, "Salvation to our God which sits upon the Throne and unto the Lamb!"



Revelation 7:9-17

10 and crying out with a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

11 All the angels stood around the throne and the elders and the four living creatures, and fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God,



Revelation 7:9-17

12 saying: "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom, Thanksgiving and honor and power and might, Be to our God forever and ever. Amen."

13 Then one of the elders answered, saying to me, "Who are these arrayed in white robes, and where did they come from?"



Revelation 7:9-17

14 And I said to him, "Sir, you know."
So he said to me, "These are the ones
who come out of the great tribulation,
and washed their robes and made them
white in the blood of the Lamb.



Revelation 7:9-17

15 Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve Him day and night in His temple. And He who sits on the throne will dwell among them.



Revelation 7:9-17

16 They shall neither hunger anymore nor thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any heat;

17 for the Lamb who is in the midst of the throne will shepherd them and lead them to living fountains of waters. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

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