

*Overview:*

- Read the Scriptures printed in this study guide.
- What keywords do you first notice? Highlight or circle them.
- What phrases catch your attention? Underline them.
- A Different Seal, one that keeps us safe.

*Explore:*

- Describe Revelation 7:1-17 in your own words.
- What questions does the passage raise?
- Discuss your impressions of the 144,000 based on Rev 7:1-7, and 14:1-4.
- Discuss the meaning of this “Seal” they received.
- Discuss Ephesians 1:13.
- What is the importance of the question, “Who has the ability to stand before a Holy God?”
- Discuss Revelation 7:9-13. What are your impressions of the Great Multitude?
- Discuss the significance of the palm branches (vs 9).
- What made them victorious? (vs 14)
- Read Psalm 23. Does that text give you peace? Compare it to Revelation 7:17.
- Everyone’s life is a “Great Tribulation”. True or False?
- How does this passage change... How we see God? How we treat others? How we live our lives?
- What changes could you make as a result?
- Who might you discuss this study with this week?

**Revelation 7:1-8** NLT Then I saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding back the four winds so they did not blow on the earth or the sea, or even on any tree. 2 And I saw another angel coming up from the east, carrying the seal of the living God. And he shouted to those four angels, who had been given power to harm land and sea, 3 "Wait! Don't harm the land or the sea or the trees until we have placed the seal of God on the foreheads of his servants." 4 And I heard how many were marked with the seal of God--144,000 were sealed from all the tribes of Israel: 5 from Judah 12,000 from Reuben 12,000 from Gad 12,000 6 from Asher 12,000 from Naphtali 12,000 from Manasseh 12,000 7 from Simeon 12,000 from Levi 12,000 from Issachar 12,000 8 from Zebulun 12,000 from Joseph 12,000 from Benjamin 12,000

**Galatians 3:28** There is no longer Jew or Gentile, slave or free, male and female. For you are all one in Christ Jesus.

**Ephesians 2:14** NLT For Christ himself has brought peace to us. He united Jews and Gentiles into one people when, in his own body on the cross, he broke down the wall of hostility that separated us.

**Psalms 87:5-6** NLT Regarding Jerusalem it will be said, "Everyone enjoys the rights of citizenship there." And the Most High will personally bless this city. 6 When the LORD registers the nations, he will say, "They have all become citizens of Jerusalem."

**John 11:52** NLT And not only for that nation, but to bring together and unite all the children of God scattered around the world.

**Ephesians 1:13** ESV In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit,

**Revelation 14:1-4.** We find them singing a new song, and they are called the first fruits for God and the Lamb

**James 1:18** ESV Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

**Rev 6:16-17** ESV ...”Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who is seated on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb, 17 for the great day of their wrath has come, and who can stand?”

**Revelation 7:4, 9-13** NLT 4 And I heard... 9 After this I saw a vast crowd, too great to count, from every nation and tribe and people and language, standing in front of the throne and before the Lamb. They were clothed in white robes and held palm branches in their hands. 10 And they were shouting with a great roar, "Salvation comes from our God who sits on the throne and from the Lamb!" 11 And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living beings. And they fell before the throne with their faces to the ground and worshiped God. 12 They sang, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and strength belong to our God forever and ever! Amen." 13 Then one of the twenty-four elders asked me, "Who are these who are clothed in white? Where did they come from?"

**Romans 8:34, 37** NLT Who then will condemn us? No one--for Christ Jesus died for us and was raised to life for us, and he is sitting in the place of honor at God's right hand, pleading for us. ... 37 ...overwhelming victory is ours through Christ, who loved us.

**Revelation 7:14-17** And I said to him, "Sir, you are the one who knows." Then he said to me, "These are the ones who died in the great tribulation. They have washed their robes in the blood of the Lamb and made them white. 15 "That is why they stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his Temple. And he who sits on the throne will give them shelter. 16 They will never again be hungry or thirsty; they will never be scorched by the heat of the sun. 17 For the Lamb on the throne will be their Shepherd. He will lead them to springs of life-giving water. And God will wipe every tear from their eyes."

**Revelation 22:17** NLT The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." Let anyone who hears this say, "Come." Let anyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who desires drink freely from the water of life.

**The END... 144,000 and The Great Multitude**

**Interpretive Frameworks for Revelation**  
*Preterist, Historicist, Futurist, Idealist*

New Israel (7:1-8)

**New People**

*Gal 3:28; Eph 2:14; Ps 87:5-6; John 11:52*

**New List**

*Revelation 7:5-7*

**New Exodus**

*Eph 1:13*

**Familiar Description**

*Revelation 14:1-4; James 1:18*

**Sealed and Safe (THE POINT!)**

Who Can Stand? (6:17; 7:4, 9-13)

**This is That??**

*Revelation 7:4,9*

**The Question?**

*Revelation 6:17*

**The Forgiven**

**The Victorious**

*Romans 8:34,37*

**The Protected (THE POINT)**

*Revelation 7:14-17*

The Came Out of the Great Tribulation (7:14)

**Seven**

**The Last Days**

*Rev 22:17*