

Revelation – The Return

Who can stand before the Lord?

Jesus is the only One worthy to break the seven seals on the scroll.

- The broken seals will bring conquest, war, famine, death, and catastrophic natural disasters, killing one-fourth of the world's population.

People will refuse to repent under God's wrath.

- Revelation 6:17 **The great day of His wrath has come and who can stand?**

There is a direct connection between the spiritual and physical worlds. What does that mean? _____

There is an Almighty, Creator God who is actively involved with and in control of His creation.

- Satan is God's enemy, opposed to anything of God.
 - John 10:10 The thief comes only in order to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have *and* enjoy life, and have it in abundance (to the full, till it ^[a]overflows).
 - Ephesians 6:11-12 Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. ¹² For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.
- The outcome of the battle between God and Satan is never in doubt. God will win! God even uses His enemies to accomplish it. WHOSE SIDE ARE YOU ON? _____

Sealed

God is in control of the events of the Tribulation.

- Revelation 7:1-3

God seals His followers, protecting them from His Judgement.

- The Holy Spirit fills and seals Christians at salvation.
 - Ephesians 1:13-14
- God's seal identifies and protects the people of God.
- God will seal His people.
 - Revelation 7:4

Standing

The sealed multitude will stand and worship God.

- Revelation 7:9-10
- The multitude will include people from all nations, ethnicities, and languages.
- Our salvation comes only from God.
- The heavenly beings will join in worship with the multitude.
 - Revelation 7:11-12
- The white robes of the multitude have been washed in the crimson blood of Jesus.
 - Revelation 7:13-14, Rev.3:4-5
 - Ephesians 2:8-9
- The only way we can stand righteous before God is to be covered by the blood of Jesus.

Those sealed by God will stand in His presence and are protected, provided for, and guided by Him. Rev7:15-17 List what God is going to do for you _____

Silence

As the seventh seal is opened by J_____, there will be silence.

- Revelation 8:1
- Zechariah 2:13, Ps 46:10 Be still and know that I am _____
- This isn't the end. Seven angels will each be given a(7) trumpet.
 - Revelation 8:2
- Prayers of the saints will move God to judgment.
 - Revelation 8:3-5 prayer of saints redeemed by the Blood
 - Revelation 5:8 bowls holding the prayers of saints
 - Revelation 6:10 O Lord how long til You judge\avenge..
 - We prayer the Word in our redemption by the Blood of
- God is moved by prayers that align with His will.
- All people will one day bow before God. Phil.2:10-11
- Are your prayers mature saint prayers or immature baby prayers? What are you gonna do about it. Ex.
- _____
- Are you gonna hide from God wrath or stand before Him with the saved Blood bought saints in Jesus? _____

Action Steps

- Thank God that you are sealed and worship with heaven.
- Share the good news of Jesus with someone this week.

- Invite someone to join us next week.

Revelation 7:9-10

Then I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne in front of the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice: “Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb.”

7 After this I saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding back the four winds of the earth to prevent any wind from blowing on the land or on the sea or on any tree. **2** Then I saw another angel coming up from the east, having the seal of the living God. He called out in a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm the land and the sea: **3** “Do not harm the land or the sea or the trees until we put a seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God.” **4** Then I heard the number of those who were sealed: 144,000 from all the tribes of Israel. **5** From the tribe of Judah 12,000 were sealed, from the tribe of Reuben 12,000, from the tribe of Gad 12,000, **6** from the tribe of Asher 12,000, from the tribe of Naphtali 12,000, from the tribe of Manasseh 12,000, **7** from the tribe of Simeon 12,000, from the tribe of Levi 12,000, from the tribe of Issachar 12,000, **8** from the tribe of Zebulun 12,000, from the tribe of Joseph 12,000, from the tribe of Benjamin 12,000. **9** After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. **10** And they cried out in a loud voice:

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11 All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, **12** saying:

“Amen!

Praise and glory
and wisdom and thanks and honor
and power and strength
be to our God for ever and ever.
Amen!”

13 Then one of the elders asked me, “These in white robes—who are they, and where did they come from?” **14** I answered, “Sir, you know.” And he said, “These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. **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 shelter them with his presence. **16** ‘Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst. The sun will not beat down on them,^{’[a]} nor any scorching heat. **17** For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd; ^{’[b]}he will lead them to springs of living water.’^{’[b]} And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.’

Rev. 8:1-5 AMPC **1** When He [the Lamb] broke open the seventh seal, there was silence for about half an hour in heaven. **2** Then I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and to them were given seven trumpets. **3** And another angel came and stood over the altar. He had a golden censer, and he was given very much incense (fragrant spices and gums which exhale perfume when burned), that he might mingle it with the prayers of all the people of God (the saints) upon the golden altar before the throne. **4** And the smoke of the incense (the perfume) arose in the presence of God, with the prayers of the people of God (the saints), from the hand of the angel. **5** So the angel took the censer and filled it with fire from the altar and cast it upon the earth. Then there followed peals of thunder *and* loud rumblings and blasts *and* noises, and flashes of lightning and an earthquake.

