Series "Jesus Unveiled" "Tribulation Saints" Revelation 7:9-17 Part-16

Revelation 7:9

Revelation 7 is called a "Parenthetical Chapter"; A break in action, pause, interlude.

Several Parenthetical Passages in Revelation 7, 10-15, 17-18

Revelation – to unveil – to uncover – to see Jesus Christ and His plan for eternity.

Key Verse Of Revelation: Revelation 1:19 - the book has 3 parts

- 1. "Things which you have seen" Rev. 1, Vision of the coming of Jesus
- 2. "The things which are" Rev. 2-3, 7 Churches
- 3. "The Things which shall take place after these things" Rev. 4-22

Revelation 4-5 – Heavenly Scenes

Rev 6-19 – The Tribulation – Consists Of 3 Sets Of Judgments.

Thought Of Our Passage: Multitudes Of People Will Be Saved In The Tribulation, Entering Into The Presence Of God, Worshipping Him With The Angels.

- 1. Verse 9 People Of Salvation
- 2. Verses 10-12 Praise Of Salvation
- 3. Verses 13-14 Period Of Salvation
- 4. Verses 15-17 Privilege Of Salvation

1. Verse 9 – People Of Salvation:

Revelation 7:9

"After these things" – What things? In Revelation 7:1-8 God seals 144,000 Jews.

Matthew 24:14

Matthew 28:19-20

Nationalities: "<u>every nation</u> and <u>all tribes</u> and <u>peoples</u> and <u>tongues</u>"; ALL LIVES MATTER TO GOD!

Acts 10:43

"standing before the throne and before the Lamb," – Revelation 4:4 – Church reigning – sitting – crowns ~ These in Heaven serving.

"clothed in white robes" – "stoles, long robes"; Purity, Revelation 6:9-11. "palm branches were in their hands;" – Feast of Tabernacle – Deliverance – Joy, excitement of freedom, triumph – Nehemiah 8:17; John 12:13.

2. Verses 10-12 - Praise Of Salvation:

Revelation 7:10

Praising God For His Grace – "and they cry out with a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation to our God'"

Praising God For His Government – "who sits on the throne," Psalm 47:8

When the 7th Trumpet Sounded – Revelation 11:15

Revelation 5:13

Praising God For His Sacrifice For Salvation - "and to the Lamb."

Revelation 7:11

Luke 15:10

"and the four living creatures" – Ezekiel 1, 10 tells us that these are Cherubim.

Revelation 4:6-7

"fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God," (6X In Revelation)

Revelation 7:12

"saying, 'Amen'", "So be it, or let it be so"

7 Words of Praise:

- **1.** "blessing" all adoration, eulogy reverentially giving honor to God.
- **2.** "glory" splendor; There is nothing more glorious than that of the Lord.

Psalm 29:1-3

3. "wisdom" – There is no greater truth than Jesus.

Colossians 2:2-3

4. "thanksgiving" – gratitude, active worship to Him.

Romans 1:21

5. "honor" – value, that which is precious.

6. "power" – miraculous power and strength, God alone is omnipotent.

Ephesians 1:19-21

7. "might" – ability, power, strength, Ephesians 6:10.

3. Verses 13-14 - Period Of Salvation:

Revelation 7:13

- 1. Question These clothed in white robe... who are they?
- 2. Question Where have they come from? The Bible Interprets the Bible.

Revelation 7:14

"These are the ones who come out of the Great Tribulation" – Literally "These are those who came out of the tribulation, the great one." Same ones as in Revelation 6:9-11; These are tribulation Saints; Jesus said in Matthew 24:21.

8 Reasons Why This Multitude Is Not The Church: The Church is already in Heaven.

- John did not recognize them Matt. 17, John recognized Elijah & Moses.
- 2. Promised that the Church would be kept from the hour of testing Rev. 3:20; Isa 53:1-12; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Heb 9:24-28; 10:5-25; Romans 8:1.

This multitude are those who came through that tribulation!

- **3. "The Church sits on thrones" –** Rev. 4:4, These are standing.
- **4. "The Church wore crowns"** Rev. 4:4, These had no crowns.
- **5. "The Church had bowls and harps" –** Rev. 5:8, These had palm branches; Rev. 7:9
- **6. "The Church New song" –** Rev. 5:9, These cried out; Rev. 7:10.
- 7. "The Church had white garments" Rev. 4:4, These white robes; Rev. 7:9.
- 8. "The Church Kings and Priests" Rev. 5:10, These served day and night; Rev. 7:15

Revelation 1:5

Hebrews 9:14, 22

While God is dispensing His plan, there is a distinction:

- 1. Jews (His Elect)
- 2. Gentiles
- 3. Church
- 4. Tribulation Saints

Revelation 13:15-17

4. Verses 15-17 - Privilege Of Salvation:

Revelation 7:15

<u>Verse 15 – Their Service In Christ</u>: "For this reason," – What Reason? This is the result of salvation... there is now service to God!

"He who sits on the throne will spread His tabernacle over them" – Literally "He will pitch His tent over them" ~ Communion with God.

Revelation 7:16

Verse 16 - Their Satisfaction In Christ: "They will hunger no longer,"

Revelation 13:17

<u>Verse 17 – Their Sufficiency In Christ</u>: "Lamb will be their shepherd," – Psalm 23

Psalms 28:9

Isaiah 46:4

Application:

- 1. God's Love For The World Is Clearly Seen In The Salvation Of People From Every Nation, All Tribes And Peoples And Tongues. Do I Love All People?
- 2. Am I Praising God? Because Salvation Should Result In Praise To God For Who He Is And What He Has Done.
- 3. The Privilege Of Salvation Should Produce A Willingness To Serve God, A Satisfaction In Christ, And Finding Jesus To Be My Sufficiency.