

Revelation 7

John witnesses the sealing of God's 144,000 witnesses, and he hears the praise song of an unnumbered multitude of those who have been saved during the Great Tribulation.

- I. The Sealing of God's Servants on Earth (7:1-8)
 - A. The sealers (7:1-3)
 - 1. What John sees (7:1-2a)
 - a. He sees four angels holding back the four winds of the earth (7:1).
 - b. He sees another angel carrying the seal of God (7:2a).
 - 2. What John hears (7:2b-3): The fifth angel instructs the four not to harm the earth or sea until God's servants have been sealed.
 - B. The sealed (7:4-8)
 - 1. The total (7:4): One hundred forty-four thousand are sealed.
 - 2. The tribes (7:5-8): Twelve thousand from each of Israel's twelve tribes are sealed.
- II. The Singing of God's Servants in Heaven (7:9-17)
 - A. Who they are (7:11, 13-17)
 - 1. A great unnumbered multitude (7:13-17)
 - a. Their salvation (7:13-14): They are saved during the Great Tribulation.
 - b. Their service (7:15a): They continually serve God in his Temple.
 - c. Their Savior (7:15b-17): The Lamb himself will feed, lead, protect, and comfort them.
 - 2. Angels, elders, and the four living creatures (7:11): These join with the great multitude in the singing.
 - B. What they sing (7:9-10, 12)
 - 1. They praise God for his great salvation (7:9-10)
 - 2. They praise God for his glory, wisdom, and power (7:12).