

Transcript – Bible Study Revelation 7 – The Mystery of the 144,000

Alrighty. Let's start with prayer. Dear heavenly Father, we come before Your throne, and we praise You and bless You this day. We thank You, Father, for all the provisions You've given us this week; and we thank You, Father, for calling us out of a dark world into Your marvelous light. We thank You for all the wonderful things You do in our life; and, Father, we pray for Your kingdom to this earth as it is in heaven; and we pray for each and every one of your called out elect throughout the world. We also pray, Father, for Your Spirit to guide and lead this Bible study and to lead us into all truth; and we thank You for all these things, and we give You praise. In the name of Your Son Yahshua, we pray. HalleluYah.

So, Shabbat shalom. And, here we are. It's exciting, again, to get the Bible study started and getting a lot of good feedback, people that were missing it. And now, we're going into Revelation 7, a very, very interesting study; and I have something exciting, something real new, just studying this that Yahweh showed me just from this study itself as we'll get into on the mystery of the 144,000. So, Chapter 7, verse 1.

Revelation 7:1 *And after these things I saw four cherubs standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that wind should not blow on the earth, nor the sea, nor every tree.*

So, again, we look at...excuse me...in numerology, we know numbers are very important in the Bible and particularly in the book of Revelation because the book of Revelation is filled with numbers and numerology. But, we know the number four is a world number; and here, the number four is three times in this first verse—four cherubs, on the four corners of the earth, and the four winds. So, we know three is a unity number. So, what do we see here? We see that these cherubs are united worldwide. This is not something that's local; that, this is something that is worldwide. They're on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds, that wind should not blow on the earth, nor the sea, nor on every tree. And, why is that?

Revelation 7:2-3 *And I saw another cherub coming up from the rising of the sun, having a seal of the living Elohim. And he cried with a great voice to the four cherubs to whom it was given to them to harm the earth and the sea, saying, Do not harm the earth, nor the sea, nor the trees, until we seal the servants of our Elohim on their foreheads.*

So, this is really what it's about. This is the time now where the great war is getting ready to happen, as we're going to see it afterwards, and the trumpets that will come after this, and then the bowls, and Yahweh's wrath on the world. But before this, what's happened? These cherubs that are there to bring wrath from storms and all other kind of things from Yahweh, at this moment they have to hold everything back and hold the earth and come **until** this other angel who comes up **seals the servants of our Elohim on their foreheads**. So, let's go to the book of Ezekiel; and Ezekiel talks about this. It is in Ezekiel the 9th Chapter, starting in verse 1.

Ezekiel 9:1-6 *And He cried in my ears with a loud voice, saying, Let the overseers of the city drawer near, even each with his destroying weapon in his hand. And, behold, six men were coming from the way of the Upper Gate...So, now, there's six of them. Why? Because six is the number of man; and this is showing man's judgment that's coming...And one man among them was clothed in linen, and an ink horn of the scribes at his loins. And he went in and stood beside the bronze altar...So, of course, this is a messenger of Yahweh who's coming and doing this and standing beside the altar, the altar of incense—not. I'm sorry, not incense—the altar of sacrifice...And the glory of the Elohim of Israel had gone up, from on the cherub where it was, and the threshold of the house. And He called to the man clothed in linen with the ink horn of a scribe at his loins. And YAHWEH said to him, Pass through the midst of the city, in the midst of Jerusalem, and imprint a mark on the foreheads of the men who are groaning and are mourning over all the abominations that are done in her midst. And He said to those in my hearing, Pass over in the city after him and strike. Do not let your eye spare, and do not have pity. Slay the aged men, the young men, the virgin, even children, and women, all to destruction. But to every man who has the mark on him, do not come near. And begin from My sanctuary. And they began with the aged men who were before the house.*

So we know from the book of Peter, what does it say? Judgment starts at the house of Elohim. Right? That's where it starts. That Yahweh has to purify His people; and it's more of a purification than a judgment. But, Peter

also says if the righteous scarcely make it, what happens to the unrighteous and the sinner? And that's what we're seeing here, that Yahweh's getting ready to seal His people before this time that's coming up. If we go to John 6 and verse 27...book of John, 6th Chapter, verse 27. And this is where Yahshua is calling Himself the Bread of life, and saying all these things.

John 6:27 *Don't labor for the food which perishes, but for the food which endures to everlasting life, which the Son of Man will give to you; for YAHWEH the Father sealed this One.*

That's in verse 27. Yahweh the Father...and this word literally means to give a mark of preservation. So, the one who is seeking the will of Yahweh and who is putting Yahweh first, the one who is coming out of the world and coming out of all the worldliness, this is the one that Yahweh the Father is going to seal and literally put a mark of preservation. So, isn't it kind of interesting that in one end we have the mark of the beast? If we go to Revelation 13...won't read all of it here, but verse 16 of Revelation 13:

Revelation 13:16-18 *And the small and the great, and the rich and the poor, and the freemen and the slaves, it causes that they give to all a mark in their right hand, and on their foreheads, even that not any could buy or sell, except the one having the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of the name. Here is wisdom: Let him who has understanding compute the number of the beast, for it's the number of a man and its number is six hundred and sixty six.*

Man unified against Yahweh. So that's where Satan's mark that's coming, but, then, Yahweh also has a mark. Yahweh has a mark of preservation, a mark of protection. So, first we see Satan's mark; and it will be a literal whatever—it could be a chip, it could be whatever—in the right hand and in the forehead. But, it's very interesting that Yahweh also in Deuteronomy 6 and verse 6...let's see what Yahweh also in Deuteronomy 6 and verse 6...He also has a mark. And there's a parallel to these as we're going to see. Deuteronomy 6 and verse 6. He says:

Deuteronomy 6:6-8 *And these Words which I am commanding you today shall be on your heart. And you shall diligently teach them to your sons, and shall speak of them as you sit in the house, and as you walk in the way, and as you're lying down, and as you're rising up...So, basically, all the day long you're supposed to be teaching them to your children and living by them...And you shall bind them for a sign on your hand; and they shall be for frontlets between your eyes.*

So, here it is that Jews today...if you come to the land of Israel, you'll see that they use something called phylactery box. It's literally a box that they strap onto their hand, and there's a little box with the commandments on their head as they're praying. And, again, I'm not against it because they even used these in the first century; and if they're sincere with it, I think Yahweh will honor that. But, I think, when we're looking at this in context, that's not really what Yahweh's talking about.

He's not talking about a little box, but He's talking about...the same way the mark of the beast **is** a literal mark in the hand and on the forehead; but yet, at the same rate, when you look at the hand, right? The hand is what you use; it's what you do. *Whatever your **hand finds to do**, do it with all your might.* So the hand is what actions come from, right? Your hand is what works, and your mind gives the thoughts. So, your mind, right? Your mind is thinking of how to put that garden in, and your hand is the one that's out there doing the digging from it. So when we're looking at this, we could see it's not something that is a literal box for putting on your head. But, it goes to show that **everything that your hand goes to do, you should be doing toward Yahweh.** And, this is the opposite of the mark of the beast. The mark of the beast is toward worldliness. It's not something that's forced on people, but it's something that people willingly take and give their allegiance over to this beast power; where, over here, this is something that you have to decide where is your allegiance.

And tomorrow, we'll be putting the sermon online from the Bible School that's on community living. It's the first one that I want to kind of get everybody acclimated to what's coming next, the one from the Philadelphian congregation, because Yahweh really, now, has given a template or a blueprint for becoming Philadelphians; and I'm really, really excited about it because even though there has to be major changes in our life from the way we've been living, now we can actually see clarity to it. We could see how to do this. And to be honest with

you, we should have been doing this all along. The main part of it is coming out of the world, that Yahweh's people are just too involved with the world; and you're not going to be a Philadelphian if you're like that. So this is where the total opposite, the mark of the beast compared to the mark of Yahweh, we see it in this way. If we go to Revelation 14...because, what enables the remnant of Yahweh to be sealed?

Revelation 14:1-5 *And I saw, and behold, the Lamb standing on Mount Zion! ...Right? The Lamb of Yah, Yahshua...And with Him were a hundred and forty four thousand...As we're going to see here, these are the ones who are sealed from Revelation 7...with the name of His Father having been written in their foreheads...So, these are people that have the name of Yahweh and the name of Yahshua. They're not denying it. Remember, the Philadelphian has not denied His name...And I heard a sound out of the Heavens, as a sound of many waters, and as a sound of great thunder. And I heard a sound of harpers harping on their harps. And they sing as a new song before the throne, and before the four living creatures and the elders. And no one was able to learn the song except the hundred and forty four thousand, those having been redeemed from the earth...So, these are people that are not part of the system. These are people that are not being coerced, and they're not being acclimated into the system of Satan, but they're actually refusing that and coming out of it. They are the ones that are redeemed from the earth...These are the ones who had not become defiled, for they are pure...They're holy, right? They're kadosh...These are the ones following the Lamb wherever He may go. These were redeemed from among men being the first-fruits to YAHWEH and to the Lamb. And no decoy was found in their mouth, for they are **unmarked** before the throne of YAHWEH.*

They're unmarked, right? They don't have the mark of Satan. They don't have Facebook. They don't have Twitter. They don't have all of this social media, and all the markings of Satan, all the worldliness of this. And I'm telling you...you'll see in these messages that are coming up...but the people of Yahweh really better make some really, really, really serious decisions if you want to be a Philadelphian, if you want to be part of this 144,000 because it's a serious thing; and it just can't be something we take for granted. It has to be something that we are working at every day of our life, we're putting Yahweh first every day of our life, and we're coming out of the world every day of our life. Revelation 12 and verse 13...Revelation 12 and verse 13. He says:

Revelation 12:13-17 *And [when] the dragon saw that he was cast onto the earth, he pursued the woman who bore the male child. And two wings of a great eagle were given to the woman, that she might fly into the wilderness, to her place, where she is nourished there for a time, and times, and a half a time, away from the serpent's face. And the serpent spewed water out of his mouth like a river after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried off by the river. And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed the river which the dragon threw out of his mouth. And the dragon was enraged over the woman, and went away to make war with the rest of her seed, those keeping the commandments of YAHWEH, and having the testimony of Yahshua.*

So, not every body is being sealed; 144,000 are being sealed. And, we're going to see here later in this Chapter 7, there's a great multitude that comes out of tribulation, **but there's 144,000 that literally are going through the baptism of fire now that don't have to go through tribulation. Why? They're proving to Yahweh already...they're proving to Yahweh.** Because, what's happening? It's not that they're not overcoming, and not overcoming, and not overcoming, then when the bottom falls out, then when Babylon falls, then when there's world war, then when all these things happen, then they're going to be pleading with Yahweh, "Give me one more chance! Give me one more chance!" And He will. It's called the Great Tribulation. **The tribulation will be the last chance of believers to prove their self, but the ones who are really the true believers—the ones who are the 144,000, that have no decoy or mark on them—are already now coming out of the world. They're not waiting for Babylon to fall. They're not waiting for the last minute. They're not waiting for that last second to jump off the train.**

And like I say, if the Apostle Paul, or the Apostle Peter, or one of the prophets was resurrected today and Yahweh showed him the whole world, he got to see it, and he had the choice where would you want to go do ministry, where do you think would be the last place on earth he'd want to do ministry? The last place he'd want to do ministry is in Babylon or Europe, one of the Western societies. Why? Because it's the least fruit that's going to be born; it's the most worldly place on earth; and it's where Satan's society is manifested. And yet, the people of Yahweh not only many times are they staying in these societies, they're not even sanctifying themselves in the

society. They live in the society. They work in the society. They have all of these iPods, and social media, and all the things that Satan has set up as part of the mark of the beast. And they pretty much have taken the mark of the beast already; and then, like the Laodicean, they're kidding themselves that somehow when the bottom falls out they're just going to be whisked to some place of safety and not have to go through it. And Yahweh's not going to be mocked, and He's not going to be fooled. And the true Philadelphians, the ones...and that's why I say please listen to these next messages that's going to come over the next few weeks, and you'll see what it's going to take to be a Philadelphian. But, one thing it's going to take is a lot of hard work every day of our life and fighting against the world. Okay, verse 4.

Revelation 7:4 *And I heard the number of those having been sealed: a hundred and forty four thousand, having been sealed out of every tribe of the sons of Israel:*

So, now, we're getting to specifics right? We have here, first, cherubs are holding back all these things until the sealing of the 144,000. And, now, we have it...again, numbers...144,000 is 12,000 by 12,000. What's the number 12? The number twelve is complete government. Right? The number 11 is incomplete government, or the number 10 is also incomplete government. The number 13 is a cultic number, not a good number, but the number 12 is a very good number. The number 12 is complete government—12 apostles, 12 tribes of Israel—right? We see all these things with the number 12, complete government. And this is 12 times 12, showing the full completeness of these people that are being sealed. And, now, we get into the sealing of the tribes. Okay, starting in verse 5.

Revelation 7:5-8 *Out of the tribe of Judah, twelve thousand having been sealed. Out of the tribe of Reuben, twelve thousand having been sealed. Out of the tribe of Gad, twelve thousand having been sealed. Out of the tribe of Asher, twelve thousand having been sealed. Out of the tribe of Naphtali, twelve thousand having been sealed. Out of the tribe of Manasseh, twelve thousand having been sealed. Out of the tribe of Simeon, twelve thousand having been sealed. Out of the tribe of Levi, twelve thousand having been sealed. Out of the tribe of Issachar, twelve thousand having been sealed. Out of the tribe of Zebulon, twelve thousand having been sealed. Out of the tribe of Joseph, twelve thousand having been sealed. Out of the tribe of Benjamin, twelve thousand having been sealed.*

So, now, there's really two parts to this chapter. This is the first part, right? The sealing of the 144,000, 12,000 from each tribe. And, then, the second part gets into the great multitude. So, let me go over this now because this is the really interesting part that comes from this. We get questions all the time into the website, people send me questions. One of the most questions I get...I probably got it at least 20 or 30 different times, even at the Bible School when we have people put questions in the box, and we go over the questions on Friday evening...almost always, the one question that comes up is why is Dan—the tribe of Dan—not mentioned in the 144,000 here? Now, that's a good question to ask. I'll get into that in a minute. But, also, let's ask a couple other questions. Because when we look at the tribes here, this is a very different allotment than anything. Not only isn't Dan mentioned, Levi's mentioned. And that's the first thing I want to show; that the fact of the sealing, it has nothing to do with tribal allotments. Some people think that Dan is losing their tribal allotment because they're not sealed here, and that's absolutely not true. Let's go to Ezekiel the 47th Chapter...48, rather...Ezekiel 48...and look.

Ezekiel 48:1-5 *And these are the names of the tribes: From the north end, at the hand of the way of Hethlon, to the entrance of Hamath, Hazarenan, the borders of Damascus northward, at the hand of Hamath; and there shall be to it an east side and a west side: To Dan, one part. And from the border of Dan, to the east side to the west side, Asher, one part. And from the border of Asher, to the east side to the west side, Naphtali, one part. And by the border of Naphtali, from the east side to the west side, Manasseh, one part. And from the border of Manasseh, to the east side to the west side, Ephraim, one part.*

And then Reuben, and Judah, going all the way down. So, we see here in Ezekiel 48 that clearly Dan is not losing their inheritance. So we'll talk about, here in a minute, why is Dan not mentioned? But, first of all, let me explain that this has nothing to do with inheritance. Inheritance is something different. **This has to do with sealing, right?**

And the other thing is, okay, beside Dan not being there, why is Levi mentioned then? Because, Levi is usually not mentioned, right? But, it's not mentioned with inheritance; it would be mentioned with tribe. So, Levi's mentioned; Dan is not mentioned. And then, instead of having...because usually what happens is Levi's not mentioned, and then Joseph has a double blessing of Ephraim and Manasseh. So, because Levi doesn't get...when it comes to the land allotments, right? There's 12 allotments...Levi doesn't get one. He gets land within each of the 12, and then Joseph gets the double portion, right? Joseph, "adding to" his name means; and he gets it through Ephraim and Manasseh, his two sons. Here, Ephraim is not mentioned either. Isn't that very interesting that Manasseh is mentioned and Joseph is mentioned, not Ephraim? **So, not only isn't Dan mentioned and Levi is mentioned, but also Ephraim isn't mentioned, but Manasseh and Joseph are mentioned**, where I don't know if there's any place else in the Bible where it's mentioned like this, where the tribes are mentioned this way.

The other thing, as I'm looking at it, I was trying to figure out: are they mentioned in a certain order that matters? Because everything in the Bible has judicial order, right? And we know that there's orders to the tribes, right? There were three tribes on the north, three tribes on the east, three tribes on the south, and three tribes on the west; but, they don't seem to be put in an order of the tabernacle. They certainly don't seem to be put in order of firstborn, right? Because the first one that's mentioned here...144,000...is the tribe of Judah; and then after Judah, it's Reuben who is a firstborn, and then Gad. So, it's not from firstborn; it's not from tribal allotment; and it's not from the tabernacle. So, what is it? And that is the mystery that I believe Yahweh showed me just as I was studying this. I've studied this for 30-some years and only this week putting this together did Yahweh show me. You know why these tribes are put this way, that they put Judah, Reuben, Gad, Asher, Naphtali, Manasseh, Simeon, Issachar, Levi, Zebulon, Joseph and Benjamin? **They're put that way because every tribe has a meaning to their name; and when we put the meanings together, there's a hidden message in here for us today, and I want to read it to you. Okay?**

First of all, let me tell you what each tribe means; then, I'll read the message. Judah means "he shall be praised." Reuben means "see a son." Gad means "assembled" or "gathered to." Asher means "happy." Naphtali means "to struggle" or "struggling with." Manasseh is "causing him to forget." Simeon is "hearing." Issachar is "he will bring a reward." Levi is "to unite." Zebulon is "to dwell with." Joseph, as we said, is "adding to." And Benjamin, "the son of my strength" or the "son of my right hand," "the son of my strength." So, when you put all these together the way they're listed—Judah, Reuben, Gad, Asher, Naphtali, Manasseh, Simeon, Issachar, Levi, Zebulon, Yosef and Benjamin—this is the message. This is the hidden message that Yahweh is telling us, to the 144,000: He shall be praised...talking about Yahshua...See the son, assembled and happy but struggling, causing him to forget...He's struggling because He's forgetting the other people, the other ones that aren't being protected, and He's being sad about, right? So, He shall be praised...Yahshua...See the Son, He's assembled and happy but struggling, causing him to forget. However, hearing, He will bring a reward, and to unite, and to dwell with, and to add to the Son of My strength. Wow! What a message there. And only if these names are put exactly the way Yahweh put, will you get this message. I'll read it one more time. He, Yahshua, shall be praised. See the Son, assembled and happy but also struggling, causing Him to forget...He's struggling because the ones that aren't here with the 144,000...However, He's hearing, and He will bring a reward, and to unite...He's going to unite the tribes, right? He's the Reuniter. That's one of the things He does...and He's dwelling with and adding to the Son of My strength. We're going to be co-heirs with Him in the universe.

Now, why was Dan not in there? Because, what does Dan mean? Dan means "to judge" his people. And the 144,000 are not being judged. So, it makes sense Dan is not going to be in there because the people here are not being judged. The people here are being protected. Because these are people that are...the 144,000 are the ones who are redeemed from the earth. These are the ones that Yahweh does not have to twist their arm to get off Facebook, right? And I can guarantee you if you're on Facebook, you're not one of the 144,000 because Facebook is from Satan. It's evil. It monitors people. It's just an evil, gossiping thing that was made up by the New World Order. But, these people are the ones that are redeemed from the earth. They're the ones that are coming out of all that nonsense. They're not on social media. They're not hooked on the internet day in and day out. They're not part of the world and all the things of the world; like it says, if you are, you're an enemy with Yahweh—1st John 2:15 through 17. So, they're not being judged. So, it makes sense why Dan is not there. Through the years, people have said Dan might not be there because the Antichrist could come from Dan because of Dan's idolatry. But to be honest, now, studying this this week, I clearly see the only reason Dan is

not mentioned here is because these people are not being judged. And the 144,000 here, 12,000 from each tribe, it was always a question, are they literally 12,000 from each tribe? But now, we see here, I think it's figuratively. I think it's just the meaning that these names give, but collectively maybe there are 12,000 exactly from each tribe.

But, collectively, it's the people of Yahweh, the 144,000, that are being set apart here, and they're being numbered and sealed. They're being sealed because they are not taking the mark of the beast; they're not part of the world; and they're going to be taken to a place. We don't know where that place is; it could be Kehilat Sela, which we've been to several times in Jordan in the wilderness; it may or may not be. But wherever it is, what I say is all that matters is if I'm supposed to be there, I'll get there; and if I'm not supposed to be there, it really doesn't matter where it is because I'm not going to be there. So people that are camping out at the base of Petra in Jordan, thinking that they're going to be there when Yahweh comes, and they're down they're playing their poker and their cards and all the other stuff, unfortunately, it's not going to work out that way because these 144,000 have been handpicked by Yahweh. They're people that are, like I said, they're kadosh. They're separated from the world. They're living the life of holiness. And Yahweh is going to reward them by them not having to go through the plagues that we're going to read about that come after this, the trumpets and the bowls.

But, I do believe this is the mystery of the 144,000, very clear. Because, like I said, the names are put there in a very specific way, and when we read...and I wasn't adding anything to it. You could look these names up yourself. Maybe I add a little "and" or a "but" just to make this sentence flow, but every single meaning of every single name is exactly what the name is in the Hebrew, and also in the Aramaic. So, amazing. Amazing message that Yahshua has for the 144,000 in here. Let's continue now. Verse 9.

Revelation 7:9 *And after these things...So, this is after they're sealed. What happens? There's great tribulation on the earth. We already know. We're going to read about it in the chapters coming, but...After these things I saw, and behold, a great crowd which no one was able to number them, out of every nation, even tribes and people and tongues...You know, different languages...standing in front of the throne, and before the Lamb, having been clothed with white robes, and in their hand palm branches.*

So, what are they doing with these palm branches in their hands? If we go to Matthew, the 25th Chapter and verse 6...Matthew 25 and verse 6 says: And at midnight—I'm sorry. It's Matthew 22...It's Matthew...I'm in the wrong chapter here. Should be...Ah, it's Matthew 21...Matthew 21. This is when Yahshua is coming in. I'm going to start in verse 5.

Matthew 21:5-9 *"Say to the daughter of Zion, behold your King comes to you meek and mounted upon a donkey, and upon a colt the foal of a donkey." ...So, this is where Yahshua is coming in, and what traditionally they call Palm Sunday...And the disciples, having gone and having done as Yahshua ordered them, they led the donkey and the colt. And they put on them their garments, and set Him on them. And the very great crowd strewed their garments in the road. And others were cutting branches from the trees and were spreading them in the way. And the crowd, the ones going before and the ones following, were crying out, saying, Hosanna to the Son of David! "Blessed is He coming in the name of YAHWEH!" Hosanna in the highest!*

So, the same thing here; we see them, now, *this great crowd who's standing in front of the throne, and before the Lamb, having been clothed in white robes, and in their hands palm branches.* So, the palm branches, that's why we use them for Sukkot. And they're saying Hosanna, "save now." These are people that are ready to make this commitment. They went through tribulation, a lot of them martyrism; and now, they're being resurrected, and they're being rewarded because they made their garments white but through a horrible tribulation. And like I said, the 144,000, they're people that don't have to go through that. They don't have to go through this horrible suffering to turn to Yahweh. They see that this world is just immoral and sick. There's nothing there for a believer. There's nothing that we should want in this world, so they're living 100% with all their heart, their mind, their soul, and their strength toward Yahweh now. And there's no doubt in their life. They're not doubting all the things of Yahweh. They're not turning back. They're going full fledged and forward, and following Yahweh in all things. Verse 10.

Revelation 7:10-12 *And they cry with a great voice, saying, Salvation to our Elohim sitting on the throne, and to the Lamb... Right? Salvation; Hosanna; Save now...And all the cherubs of the elders and of the four living creatures stood around the throne. And they fell before the throne on their faces, and worshiped YAHWEH, saying: Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and strength to our Elohim forever and ever.*

And, if you remember when we were going over Revelation 4 and verse 4...Revelation 4 and verse 4:

Revelation 4:4-11 *And around the throne...the throne of Yahweh...I saw twenty four thrones, and on the thrones I saw twenty four elders sitting, having been clothed in white garments. And they had golden crowns on their heads. And out of the throne came forth lightnings and thunders and voices. And seven lamps of fire are burning before the throne, which are the seven spirits of Elohim...We talked about this from Isaiah 11...and a sea of glass was before the throne, like crystal. And in the midst of the throne and around the throne were four living creatures, full of eyes before and behind. And the first living creature was like a lion; and the second living creature like a calf; and the third living creature had the face of a man; and the fourth living creature like an eagle flying...We said these are the four Good News messages of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. Matthew, the lion of Judah; Mark, the calf/the ox, the servant; Luke is the Son of Man; and John is the spiritual Good News, the eagle soaring up to the heavens...And the four living creatures each one had six wings, and within being full of eyes. And they had no rest day and night, saying, "Holy, holy, holy...Kadosh, kadosh, kadosh...Adonai YAHWEH Almighty, who was, and is, and is to come!" And whenever the living creatures shall give glory and honor and thanks to the One sitting on the throne, to the One living forever, the twenty four elders fall down before Him sitting on the throne; and they will worship the One living to the age of the ages, and will throw their crowns before the throne, saying, Master Elohim, You are worthy to receive the glory and the honor and the power, because You created all things, and through Your will they exist and were created.*

So, this is what we're seeing here; that, after these things, the people now, they're people from all over the world. They're standing in front of the throne, before Yahshua the Lamb. They're clothed in white robes because they made their robes white through tribulation. They prepared themselves...Revelation 19 talks about that. We'll read that in a little bit...And then the cherubs and the elders...we just read...and the four living creatures around the throne. This is what they do 24 hours a day, 7 days a week; they're worshipping Yahweh.

Revelation 7:12-13 *And saying: Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and strength to our Elohim forever and ever. Amen. And one of the elders answered, saying to me, These, the ones having been clothed in the white robes, who are they, and from where did they come?*

And this is kind of a rhetorical question. He knows where they are and where they're from, but he's asking this rhetorical question that way. And, it's actually a question that's coming from the Song of Solomon. If we go to Song of Solomon, the 3rd Chapter...right...the 3rd Chapter...and this is with the bridesmaids. Song of Solomon Chapter 3 and verse 6.

Song of Solomon 3:6 *Who is this who comes out of the wilderness like columns of smoke, sacrificing as incense myrrh and frankincense, from all powders of the merchants?*

Right? So this is talking about the bride and the bridesmaid coming out, and that's the same thing here. The elders are saying, who are these that have been clothed in white robes, and where did they come from? The same as Song of Solomon, they're coming out of the wilderness. Where are they coming from? Verse 14.

Revelation 7:14 *And I said to him, Sir, you know. And he said to me, These are those coming out of the great affliction; and they washed their robes and whitened them in the blood of the Lamb.*

Revelation 19, verse 7. We see the same thing here. Revelation 19 and verse 7.

Revelation 19:7-9 *Let us rejoice and let us exult, and we will give glory to Him, because the marriage of the Lamb came, and His wife prepared herself. And it was given to her that she should be clothed in fine linen, pure*

and bright; for the fine linen is the righteousness of the saints. And he said to me, Write: Blessed are the ones having been called to the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he said to me, These Words of YAHWEH are true.

So, the fine linen is the righteousness of the saints. And, Psalm 119:172, all Thy Commandments are righteousness. So, the saints are the ones who are keeping the commandments. They're not just talking about it. They're not just believing it, but they're actually the ones who are keeping it. And they went through great tribulation, some of them martyrism, but they washed their robes, and they whitened them in the blood of the Lamb. Daniel 11 and verse 31...Daniel 11 and verse 31. And I'm thinking maybe after Revelation—it's [should be it will] be a few months before we'll finish this—but, maybe, we'll go with Daniel next. It's also another really great book to do...In Daniel 11 and verse 31, and this is again talking about the end time. And look what it says:

Daniel 11:31-32 *And forces will stand away from him, and they will profane the sanctuary, the fortress. And they will remove the continual sacrifice, and they will place the abomination that desolates...That's what Yahshua talked about. Remember? When you see the abomination of desolation spoken of by Daniel the prophet, let those in Judea flee to the mountains. That's Matthew 24:15 and 16. And it says...And he will defile by flattery...This is the Anti-Messiah...those who do evil against the covenant. But the people who know their Elohim will be strong and will work.*

So, the 144,000 are taken to their place of final preparation. They're protected from this. And all the rest of believers around the world have to go through this trial and this purification. Because, like I said, now they're not listening to these messages about *The Baptism of Fire*, coming out of the world. They're not doing it now. But when the bottom falls out, when the whole economic system collapses and there is no more money, and the mark of the beast comes, these people will be sorry. They'll repent. But, now, they're going to have to prove it to Yahweh through three and a half years of tribulation by the beast power. And look what it says: they will be strong, and they will work at that time...they will work.

Daniel 11:33-35 *And those who understand among the people will instruct many, yet they will stumble by the sword and by flame, and by exile and spoil for many days. And they shall stumble, but they will be helped with a little help. But many will join them with hypocrisy...So, beware! ...And many of those who understand shall stumble, to refine and to purge them, **and to make white** to the time of the end. For it is yet for the appointed time.*

So, very clear. If after the 144,000 are taken away, and after the big war, and after the mark of the beast comes, and you're still sitting somewhere in a room, and you're wondering what happened, look at these scriptures because, no, it's not the end; it's only the beginning. Know that if you repent at that time, there's still redemption; and that you still can change and repent; and Yahweh's people will be doing great works at that time. That's why I read in Revelation 12 when the 144,000 are taken away, what does Satan do? He comes, and he goes after the remnant, the ones who keep the commandments of Yahweh and have the testimony of Yahshua. So those will be the ones that are left, that are being persecuted by Satan in those days; but, yet, Yahweh will use it for their purification. Verse 15.

Revelation 7:15 *Because of this they are before the throne of Elohim, and serve Him day and night in the sanctuary. And He sitting on the throne will tabernacle over them.*

So, again, like the Feast of Sukkot, the Feast of Tabernacles. What does it show? It shows Yahshua's protection. Yahshua is tabernacling over them. You know, here in the Middle East, the summers are brutal. We usually go from around the middle to the end of March all the way until October/November with no rain. A lot of times through the summer, like last year, you can go months, and months, and months where it's 45 to 50 Celsius or higher, 100 to 120 Fahrenheit; and you need these tabernacles; you need these coverings for the shepherds in the wilderness, for their flock. And that's what it says, that He sitting on the throne, Yahshua, will tabernacle over His people.

Revelation 7:16 *And they will not hunger still, nor will they thirst still, nor at all shall fall on them the sun, nor any kind of heat.*

So, it's like the Garden of Eden again, a perfect environment. You're not going to have these brutal temperatures. You know, Yahweh prophesied about this in Jeremiah [should be Ezekiel] 36 and verse 34...Jeremiah [should be Ezekiel] 36 and verse 34. It says:

Ezekiel 36:34-35 *And the desolated land will be cultivated, rather than being a ruin in the eyes of all passing by...In the summer, it's very hard to grow because of how brutally hot it is without water, but it's going to be different then...The desolated land will be cultivated, rather than being a ruin in the eyes of all passing by. And they shall say, This land that was desolated has become like the garden of Eden. And the wasted and desolated and razed cities are fortified and inhabited.*

So, this is part of the Kingdom blessings that are coming, and all because Yahshua is tabernacling over His people.

Revelation 7:16-17 *And they will not hunger, nor will they thirst, nor at all shall fall on them the sun, nor any kind of heat. Because the Lamb in the midst of the throne will shepherd them, and will lead them on springs of living water; and YAHWEH will wipe away every tear from their eyes.*

Just like we see in the 23rd Psalm, *Yahweh is my shepherd; I shall not want.* And He leads His remnant by springs of living water, right? On good water; that means not stagnant water with bugs that's going to get them sick, but living water just like we need for the sanctuary of Yahweh. That's why it had to be in the City of David. Because only there is the Gihon spring, the gusher, with living water everyday constantly coming up there. But, He's going to lead them. *He's going to shepherd them, and lead them on springs of living water; and Yahweh will wipe away every tear from their eyes.* So, if we go to Revelation 22...Revelation 22 and verse 1.

Revelation 22:1-5 *And he showed me a pure river of water of life, bright as crystal, coming forth out of the throne of YAHWEH and the Lamb. In the midst of its street and the city, on this side and that side of the river, was a tree of life producing twelve fruits: according to one month each yielding its fruit. And the leaves of the tree were for healing of the nations...Right? Why are so many brethren getting into herbal healing, and the healing that comes from all of the essential oils, and all these things? Because it was prophesied...And there will be no blight any more: and the throne of YAHWEH and the Lamb will be in it; and His servants will minister to Him...Praise Yahweh...And they will see His face; and His name will be on their foreheads...Just like we said, 144,000 with the name of the Father and the Son on their forehead...And night will not be there; and they will have no need of a lamp or a light of the sun, because YAHWEH Elohim will give them light. And they shall reign for ever and ever.*

Wow! Praise Yahweh! Right? Just like we read in verse 17 of Revelation 7.

Revelation 7:17, 16 *Because the Lamb is in the midst of the throne will shepherd them, and He will lead them on springs of living water; and YAHWEH will wipe away every tear...Verse 16...They will not hunger still, nor will they thirst, nor at all will fall on them the sun, nor any kind of heat.*

And, the last scripture is Isaiah 25 and verse 8...Isaiah 25 and verse 8.

Isaiah 25:8 *He will swallow up death in victory! And Adonai YAHWEH will wipe away tears from all faces. And He will reprove the reproach of His people from all the earth; for YAHWEH has spoken.*

Praise Yahweh! So, here we are, Revelation 7, right? Exciting chapter. Because here it is, first, there's a little bit of a break between 6 and 7—*And after these things*, verse 1. So, from what's going on in verse [should be Chapter] 6...Remember the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse, and then the earthquake, and all these things that's happening and then there's a small time in-between that seems like things are calming down some, then what happens? The 144,000 are getting sealed. And we see, now, the mystery of the 144,000 from the tribes, the reason why the tribes are named as they are, because of the saying: He, Yahshua, shall be praised. See the Son, assembled and happy, but struggling, causing Him to forget. However, hearing, He will bring a reward, and to unite, and to dwell with, and to add to the Son of My strength. The message of the 144,000 that's there. And like we said, Dan is not there because these people are not being judged.

And then, after this, we see there's a great crowd. Who is this great crowd? These are all the ones that were not the 144,000, the ones who came from the Laodicean congregation, who did make their robes white. It's a great multitude, so the vast majority of believers are not Philadelphians, unfortunately, because they just won't come out of this world system until it collapses. But, praise Yahweh; there is redemption. In the end, they will be in the Kingdom; and Yahshua will be with them; and He will be tabernacling over them; and He will be leading them to the living waters of life; and Yahweh will wipe away every tear. So, great chapter, Chapter 7 of Revelation. Until next week, we will get into Chapter 8. So until next time, Shabbat shalom. Yahweh bless.