

Revelation 7: Remembering Mercy in Wrath; Interlude

Remember to Lift Up the Lord Jesus Christ

Chapter 6 Review: Olivet Outline/Tribulation Overview [6 Seals]

- 1) **Tribulation:** First 4 Seals are opened /4 riders on 4 Horses
- 2) **Abomination of Desolation:** Anti-Christ revealed
- 3) **Great Tribulation:** Begins as Fifth and Sixth Seal are opened

Chapter 7

- Church in Heaven
- Holy Spirit *not* restraining sin on earth
- Judgment of God about to begin but not without **mercy**:

*O LORD, I have heard Your speech and was afraid; O LORD, revive Your work in the midst of the years! In the midst of the years make it known; **In wrath remember mercy.***
[Habakkuk 3:2]

I. All Israel will be Saved

- God always leaves a the world a **Witness**
 - 1) *Old Covenant:* **Israel**
 - 2) *New Covenant:* **Church**
 - 3) *Tribulation:* **2 Old Testament Witnesses**
 - 4) *Great Tribulation:* **Angel and Israel**
- God is far from finished with Israel:

Romans 11:25 For I do not desire, brethren, that you should be ignorant of this mystery, lest you should be wise in your own opinion, that blindness in part has happened to Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in. ²⁶ And so **all Israel will be saved**, as it is written: " *The Deliverer will come out of Zion, And He will turn away ungodliness from Jacob;* ²⁷ *For this is My covenant with them, When I take away their sins.*"

- Israel was entrusted with **much**:

Romans 9:3 [You are] Israelites, to whom *pertain* the **adoption**, the **glory**, the **covenants**, the **giving of the law**, the **service of God**, and the **promises**; ⁵ of whom *are* the fathers and from whom, according to the flesh, Christ *came*, who is over all, *the* eternally blessed God. Amen.

- Israel produced little **fruit**:

Mark 11:12 Now the next day, when they had come out from Bethany, He was hungry. ¹³ And seeing from afar a fig tree having leaves, He went to see if perhaps He would find something on it. When He came to it, He found **nothing but leaves**, for it was not the season for figs. ¹⁴ In response Jesus said to it, "Let no one eat fruit from you ever again." And His disciples heard *it*.

- Israel became self centered, legalistic, and greedy; I.e. **Godless**:

¹⁵ So they came to Jerusalem. Then Jesus went into the temple and began to drive out those who bought and sold in the temple, and overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who sold doves. ¹⁶ And He would not allow anyone to carry wares through the temple. ¹⁷ Then He taught, saying to them, "Is it not written, '*My house shall be called a house of prayer for all nations*'? But you have made it a '*den of thieves*.'" ¹⁸ And the scribes and chief priests heard it and sought how they might destroy Him; for they feared Him, because all the people were astonished at His teaching. ¹⁹ When evening had come, He went out of the city.

- Jesus would go to the "other sheep" for 2000+ years; **Fullness [not time] of the Gentiles**

²⁰ Now in the morning, as they passed by, they saw the fig tree dried up from the roots. ²¹ And Peter, remembering, said to Him, "Rabbi, look! The fig tree which You cursed has withered away."

- Though Apostle to the Gentiles, the Paul continued to have a **heart** for his people, the Jews:

Luke 13:6 He also spoke this parable: "A certain *man* had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. ⁷ Then he said to the keeper of his vineyard, 'Look, for three years I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree and find none. Cut it down; why does it use up the ground?' ⁸ But he answered and said to him, 'Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and fertilize *it*. ⁹ And if it bears fruit, *well*. But if not, after that you can cut it down.'"

- Paul would **"go to hell"** for the sake of his people and his love for them

Romans 9:1 I tell the truth in Christ, I am not lying, my conscience also bearing me witness in the Holy Spirit, ² that I have great sorrow and continual grief in my heart. ³ For I could **wish that I myself were accursed from Christ** for my brethren, my countrymen according to the flesh, ⁴ who are Israelites, to whom pertain the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the service of God, and the promises; ⁵ of whom are the fathers and from whom, according to the flesh, Christ came, who is over all, the eternally blessed God. Amen. ⁶ But it is not that the word of God has taken no effect. For they *are* not all Israel who *are* of Israel, ⁷ nor *are they* all children because they are the seed of Abraham; but, "*In Isaac your seed shall be called.*" ⁸ That is, those who *are* the children of the flesh, these *are* not the children of God; but the children of the promise are counted as the seed.

- Paul pleaded for/with his people until his death:

Acts 28:17 ...it came to pass after three days that Paul called the leaders of the Jews together. So when they had come together, he said to them: "Men and brethren, though I have done nothing against our people or the customs of our fathers, yet I was delivered as a prisoner from Jerusalem into the hands of the Romans, ¹⁸ who, when they had examined me, wanted to let me go, because there was no cause for putting me to death. ¹⁹ But when the Jews spoke against it, I was compelled to appeal to Caesar, not that I had anything of which to accuse my nation. ²⁰ For this reason therefore I have called for you, to see you and speak with you, because for the hope of Israel I am bound with this chain." ²¹ Then they said to him, "We neither received letters from Judea concerning you, nor have any of the brethren who came reported or spoken any evil of you. ²² But we desire to hear from you what you think; for concerning this sect, we know that it is spoken against everywhere." ²³ So when they had appointed him a day, many came to him at his lodging, to whom

he explained and solemnly testified of the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus from both the Law of Moses and the Prophets, from morning till evening. 24 And some were persuaded by the things which were spoken, and some disbelieved. 25 So when they did not agree among themselves, they departed after Paul had said one word: "The Holy Spirit spoke rightly through Isaiah the prophet to our fathers, 26 saying, 'Go to this people and say: "Hearing you will hear, and shall not understand; And seeing you will see, and not perceive; 27 For the hearts of this people have grown dull. Their ears are hard of hearing, And their eyes they have closed, Lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears, Lest they should understand with their hearts and turn, So that I should heal them."' 28 "Therefore let it be known to you that the salvation of God has been sent to the Gentiles, and they will hear it!" 29 And when he had said these words, the Jews departed and had a great dispute among themselves. 30 Then Paul dwelt two whole years in his own rented house, and received all who came to him, 31 preaching the kingdom of God and teaching the things which concern the Lord Jesus Christ with all confidence, no one forbidding him.

- After this Jerusalem was destroyed in 70 AD Jews were dispersed losing their homeland for 2000+ years but...
- Jesus would prophesy that the "Fig Tree" would **bloom** in the "last days", i.e. 1948

Mark 13:28 [Olivet Discourse] "Now learn this parable from the fig tree: When its branch has already become tender, and puts forth leaves, you know that summer is near. 29 So you also, when you see these things happening, know that it is near—at the doors! 30 Assuredly, I say to you, this generation will by no means pass away till all these things take place. 31 Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away.

- Ezekiel had previously been told by God that Israel would die and **resurrect**:

Ezekiel 37:1 The hand of the LORD came upon me and brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD, and set me down in the midst of the valley; and it was full of bones. 2 Then He caused me to pass by them all around, and behold, there were very many in the open valley; and indeed they were very dry. 3 And He said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" So I answered, "O Lord GOD, You know." 4 Again He said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them, 'O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD! 5 Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: "Surely I will cause breath to enter into you, and you shall live. 6 I will put sinews on you and bring flesh upon you, cover you with skin and put breath in you; and you shall live. Then you shall know that I am the LORD.'" 7 So I prophesied as I was commanded; and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and suddenly a rattling; and the bones came together, bone to bone. 8 Indeed, as I looked, the sinews and the flesh came upon them, and the skin covered them over; but there was no breath in them. 9 Also He said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "**Come from the four winds**, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live.'" 10 So I prophesied as He commanded me, and breath came into them, and they lived, and stood upon their feet, an exceedingly great army. 11 Then He said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They indeed say, 'Our bones are dry, our hope is lost, and we ourselves are cut off!' 12 Therefore prophesy and say to them, 'Thus says the Lord GOD: "Behold, O My people, I will open your graves and cause you to come up from your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel. 13 Then you shall know that I am the LORD, when I have opened your graves, O My people, and brought you up from your graves. 14 I will put My Spirit in you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken it and performed it," says the LORD.'" 15

Jeremiah 31:1 "At the same time," says the LORD, "I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be My people." 2 Thus says the LORD: "The people who survived the sword Found grace in the wilderness— Israel, when I went to give him rest." 3 The LORD has appeared of old to me, saying: "Yes, I have loved you with an everlasting love; Therefore with lovingkindness I have drawn you.

- **The Promise to Abraham was Eternal and unilateral; i.e. a Royal Grant**

Genesis 17:1 When Abram was ninety-nine years old, the LORD appeared to Abram and said to him, "I am Almighty God; walk before Me and be blameless. ² And I will make My covenant between Me and you, and will multiply you exceedingly." ³ Then Abram fell on his face, and God talked with him, saying: ⁴ "As for Me, behold, My covenant is with you, and you shall be a father of many nations. ⁵ No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; for I have made you a father of many nations. ⁶ I will make you exceedingly fruitful; and I will make nations of you, and kings shall come from you. ⁷ And I will establish My covenant between Me and you and your descendants after you in their generations, for an **everlasting covenant**, to be God to you and your descendants after you. ⁸ Also I give to you and your descendants after you the land in which you are a stranger, all the land of Canaan, as an everlasting possession; and I will be their God."

Revelation 7

II. WAIT!!!!

¹ **After these things** I saw **four angels** standing at the **four corners** of the earth, holding the **four winds** of the earth, that the **wind should not blow on the earth, on the sea, or on any tree.**

- **"After these things..."** : After the Vision of the six seals; overview of the future we now go back to **just before the 5th Seal; i.e. Martyrdom**

Matthew 24:8 All these are the beginning of sorrows. ⁹ "Then **they will deliver you up to tribulation and kill you**, and you will be hated by all nations for My name's sake. ¹⁰ And then many will be offended, will betray one another, and will hate one another. ¹¹ Then many false prophets will rise up and deceive many. ¹² And because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold. ¹³ But he who endures to the end shall be saved. ¹⁴ And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come.

Revelation 6:9 When He opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and for the testimony which they held. ¹⁰ And they cried with a loud voice, saying, "How long, O Lord, holy and true, until You judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?"

- **Four Angels:** Four Living Creatures?
- **Four Corners:** gr. *Gonia*; lit. **4 Quarters of the earth** [quadrants, directions]
Note: The Earth actually has 4 corner; i.e. not a perfect sphere. [Morris]
- **Four Winds:** Natural Physical Wind and the Winds of God's **Judgment**

Psalms 148:8 Fire and hail, snow and clouds; Stormy wind, **fulfilling His word**

- **Hold back the wind:** Judgment on the earth, sea, any tree **UNTIL two great companies of redeemed are sealed:**

- 1) 144,000 Jewish **Evangelists**
- 2) Tribulation **Saints**

² Then I saw **another angel ascending from the east**, having the **seal of the living God**. And **he cried with a loud voice to the four angels** to whom it was granted to harm the earth and the sea, ³ saying, **"Do not harm the earth, the sea, or the trees till we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads."**

NOTE: 4 angels: *Purpose was to harm the earth*

- **Another angel ascended from the east and had Seal of the Living God**
 - 1) **Ascended** from the east with **more authority than the four** as he gives the orders
 - 2) **Had** a seal to **give; protection**

Revelation 12:13 Now when the dragon saw that he had been cast to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male Child. ¹⁴ **But the woman was given** two wings of a great eagle that she might fly into the wilderness

Exodus 9:26 Only in the land of Goshen, where the children of Israel were, **there was no hail.**

Ezekiel 9:4...the LORD said to him, "Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and put a **mark on the foreheads of the men who sigh and cry over all the abominations that are done within it.**"

- **Name of the Father:** [Rev:14:1]
- **Seal is in contrast** with the mark of the beast [Rev. 13:16,17]
 - 3) **WAIT! Reaffirms with a loud voice** what the 4 angels are *already doing*; i.e. delaying judgment until the servants of God are sealed on their foreheads
- **Cried with a loud voice;** gr. *phone megale*; when reversed...**megaphone!**

III. 144,000 Jewish Evangelists

- **Previously Israel failed** to bring God's message to the world
- In the end times they will have a second chance and succeed

Matthew 24:14 ...this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and <i>then the end will come.</i>

⁴ And I heard the number of those who were **sealed**. One hundred *and* forty-four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel *were* sealed:

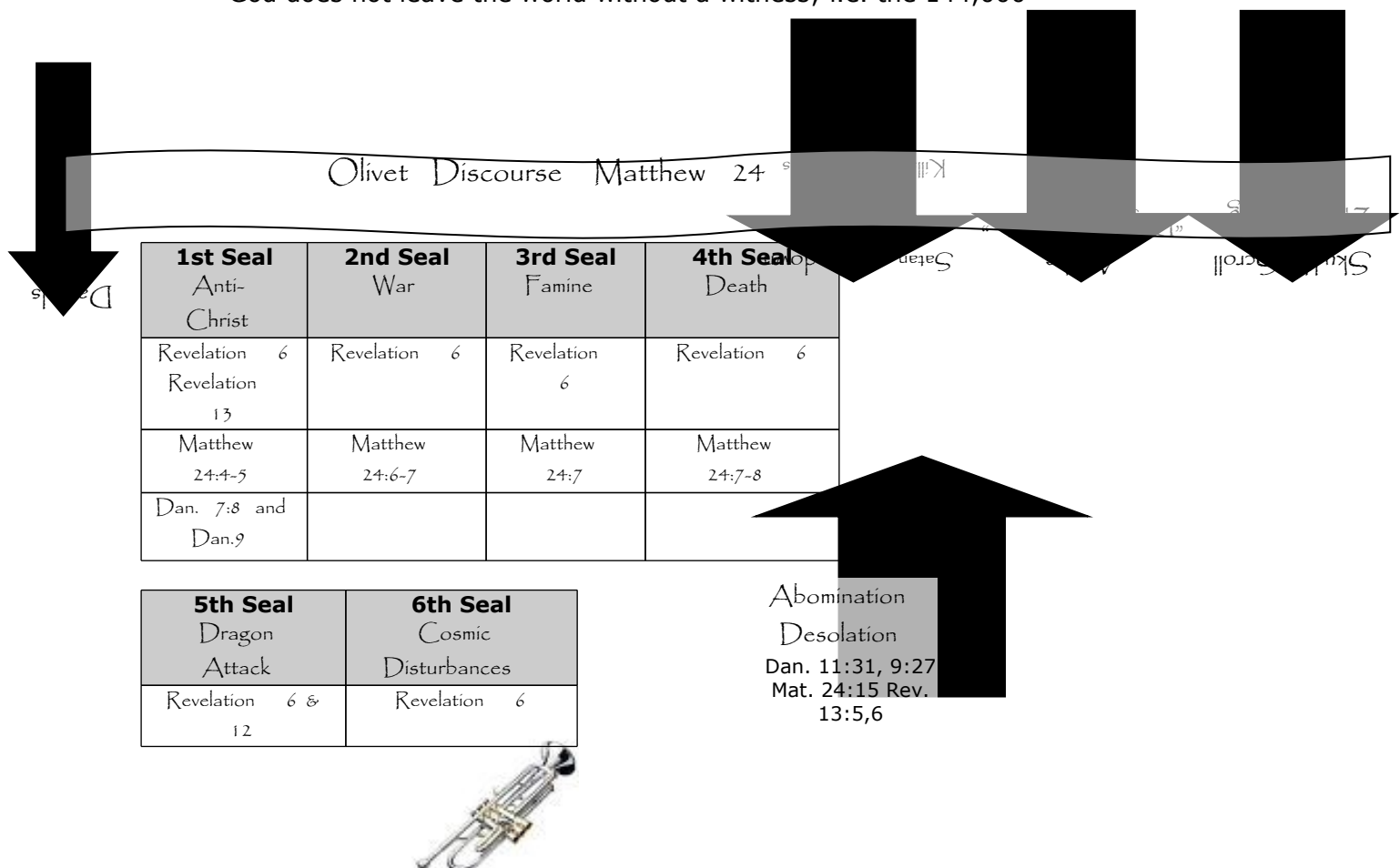
- **Sealed:** Anointed for God's purpose:

5 of the tribe of Judah twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Reuben twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Gad twelve thousand were sealed; 6 of the tribe of Asher twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Naphtali twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Manasseh twelve thousand were sealed; 7 of the tribe of Simeon twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Levi twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Issachar twelve thousand were sealed; 8 of the tribe of Zebulun twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Joseph twelve thousand were sealed; of the tribe of Benjamin twelve thousand were sealed.

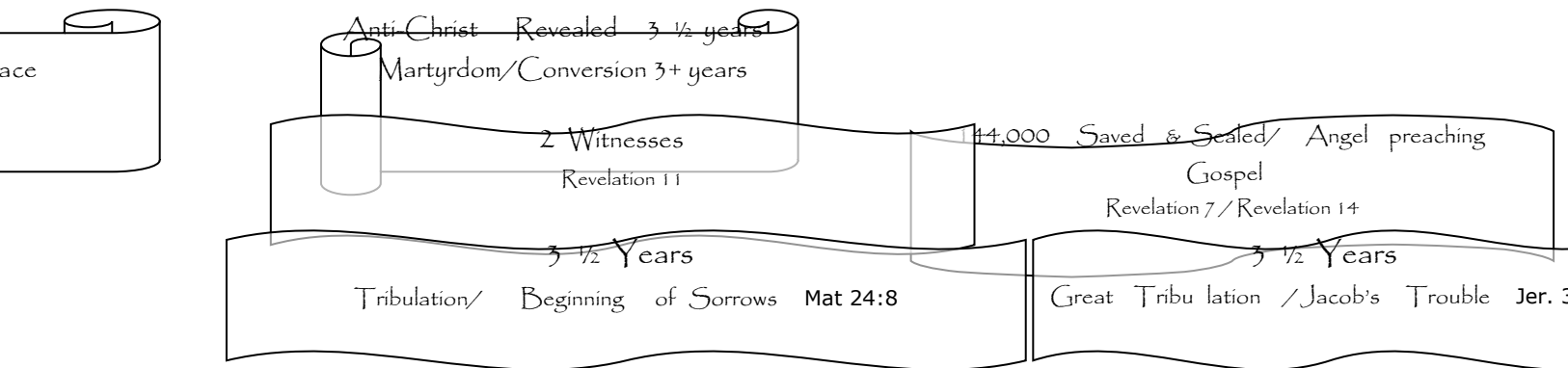
- 144,000 Jewish Evangelists
- **Chronology:** After the resurrection of the two witnesses in Chapter 11 around the time of the Abomination of Desolation until the end:

Revelation 11:11 Now after the three-and-a-half days the breath of life from God entered them, and they stood on their feet, and great fear fell on those who saw them. ¹² And they heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, "Come up here." And they ascended to heaven in a cloud, and their enemies saw them. ¹³ In the same hour there was a great earthquake, and a tenth of the city fell. In the earthquake seven thousand people were killed, and the **rest were afraid and gave glory to the God of heaven.**

- Witnesses Killed/Resurrect/Ascend: People believe
- God does not leave the world without a witness; i.e. the 144,000



Matthew 24:8-28	Matthew 24:28-31
Daniel 7:21, 25 Daniel 12:11	



- Dan and Ephraim omitted here for **idolatry**

DAN

Genesis 49:16 "Dan shall judge his people As one of the tribes of Israel. 17 Dan shall be a serpent by the way, **A viper by the path, That bites the horse's heels** So that its rider shall fall backward. 18 I have waited for your salvation, O LORD!

Judges 18:30 Then the children of Dan set up for themselves the **carved image**; and Jonathan the son of Gershom, the son of Manasseh, and his sons were priests to the tribe of Dan until the day of the captivity of the land.

1 Kings 12:28 Therefore the king asked advice, made two calves of gold, and said to the people, "It is too much for you to go up to Jerusalem. Here are your gods, O Israel, which brought you up from the land of Egypt!" 29 And he set up one in Bethel, and the other he put in Dan. 30 Now **this thing became a sin**, for the people went to worship before the

one as far as Dan.

- **Levi replaced Dan**

- a) Priestly tribe no ordinarily numbered with other tribes
- b) In the Great Tribulation they are numbered among these evangelists

- Dan will be back by God's grace in the Millennial Kingdom having "Top Priority" [JVM]

Ezekiel 48:1 "Now these are the names of the tribes: From the northern border along the road to Hethlon at the entrance of Hamath, to Hazar Enan, the border of Damascus northward, in the direction of Hamath, there shall be one section for Dan from its east to its west side; 2 by the border of Dan, from the east side to the west, one section for Asher...²¹ **"The rest shall belong to the prince**, on one side and on the other of the holy district and of the city's property, next to the twenty-five thousand *cubits* of the *holy* district as far as the eastern border, and westward next to the twenty-five thousand as far as the western border, adjacent to the *tribal* portions; *it shall belong* to the prince. It shall be the holy district, and the sanctuary of the temple *shall be* in the center.

Ephraim

- 10 Northern tribes sometimes designated "Ephraim" as his tribe was the leader

Hosea 4:17 "Ephraim *is joined to idols*, Let him alone.

- Led the division of the kingdom

1 Kings 11:26 Then Solomon's servant, Jeroboam the son of Nebat, an **Ephraimite** from Zereda, whose mother's name was Zeruah, a widow, also **rebelled against the king**.

- **Joseph takes the place of Ephraim**, Joseph's younger son whom Jacob blessed instead of Manasseh [Genesis 48]
- Ephraim *will also be back* during Christ's earthly reign

Ezekiel 48:5 by the border of Manasseh, from the east side to the west, one section for Ephraim; 6 by the border of Ephraim, from the east side to the west...

NOTE: During the Millennial Kingdom 12 apostles will sever as judges over land designated to the 12 tribes as described in Ezekiel 48!

Matthew 19:28Jesus said to them, "Assuredly I say to you, that in the regeneration, when the Son of Man sits on the throne of His glory, you who have followed Me will also ***sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.***

IV. Great Multitude: Great Tribulation Saints

- The **fruit** of the 144,000

⁹ After these things I looked, and behold, a **great multitude** which no one could number, of **all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues**, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with **white robes**, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰ and crying out with a loud voice, saying, "Salvation *belongs* to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

- **Great Multitude: Gentiles** [all nations, tribes, peoples and tongues] in contrast to the 144,000 Jews
- **Saved during the Great Tribulation**; converts from all corners of the earth!
- Standing before the throne: **Redeemed**
- **White Robes**: Righteousness of Christ
- **Salvation belongs to the Father and the Son**

John 5:22 For the Father judges no one, but has committed all judgment to the Son, ²³ that all should honor the Son *just as* they honor the Father. He who does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent Him.

- **Palm Branches**: lit. "palm trees" i.e. at the "true" Triumphant Entry of Christ into the Millennial Kingdom these gentile believers will be with Him
- **144,000 seen again in chapter 14**:

Revelation 14:1 Then I looked, and behold, a Lamb standing on Mount Zion, and with Him **one hundred and forty-four thousand, having His Father's name written on their foreheads**. ² And I heard a voice from heaven, like the voice of many waters, and like the voice of loud thunder. And I heard the sound of harpists playing their harps. ³ They sang as it were a new song before the throne, before the four living creatures, and the elders; and no one could learn that song except the hundred and forty-four thousand who were redeemed from the earth. ⁴ These are the ones who were not defiled with women, for they are virgins. These are the ones who follow the Lamb wherever He goes. These were redeemed from among men, being firstfruits to God and to the Lamb. ⁵ And in their mouth was found no deceit for they are without fault before the throne of God.

¹¹ All the **angels** stood around the throne and the **elders** and the **four living creatures**, and fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹² saying: "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom, Thanksgiving and honor and power and might, *Be* to our God forever and ever. Amen."

- **Universal Worship:**
 - 1) Blessing
 - 2) Glory
 - 3) Wisdom
 - 4) Thanksgiving
 - 5) Honor
 - 6) Power
 - 7) Might

¹³ Then one of the elders answered, saying to me, "**Who are these arrayed**

in white robes, and where did they come from?" ¹⁴ And I said to him, "Sir, you know." So he said to me, "These are the ones who **come out of the great tribulation, and washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.**"

- John *does not* recognize this **third** group:
 - 1) Not the Church
 - 2) Not Old Testament Saints
 - 3) These are **Tribulation Saints**
 - a) **Come out** of the Great Tribulation
 - b) **Redeemed:** Bought/Brought back into right standing with God by "the blood of the Lamb"
 - c) **Gentiles** v.9

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 **dwell among them**. ¹⁶ They shall neither **hunger** anymore nor **thirst** anymore; the **sun** shall not strike them, nor any heat...

- More details regarding this **Tribulation Saints**:
 - 1) Before the throne of God
 - 2) Serve Him day and night in His temple
 - 3) God will dwell among them
 - 4) During the Great Tribulation they have gone through:
 - a) **Hunger and Thirst:** It will be illegal to buy food without the mark
 - b) Sun's heat
- The way people treat God's people the Jews will be of great importance during the Great Tribulation:

Matthew 25:31 "When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy[c]angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. 32 All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats. 33 And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left. 34 Then the King will say to those on His right hand, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: 35 for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; 36 I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.' 37 "Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You drink? 38 When did we see You a stranger and take You in, or naked and clothe You? 39 Or when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?' 40 And the King will answer and say to them, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.' 41 "Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels: 42 for I was hungry and you gave Me no food; I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink; 43 I was a stranger and you did not take

Me in, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me.' 44 "Then they also will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to You?' 45 Then He will answer them, saying, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.' 46 And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

- In the presence of God and His Throne serving day and night in the Millennial Kingdom:

Ezekiel 43:1 Afterward he brought me to the gate, the gate that faces toward the east. 2 And behold, the glory of the God of Israel came from the way of the east. His voice was like the sound of many waters; and the earth shone with His glory. 3 It was like the appearance of the vision which I saw—like the vision which I saw when I[a]came to destroy the city. The visions were like the vision which I saw by the River Chebar; and I fell on my face. 4 And the glory of the LORD came into the temple by way of the gate which faces toward the east. 5 The Spirit lifted me up and brought me into the inner court; and behold, the glory of the LORD filled the temple.

17 for the Lamb who is in the midst of the throne will shepherd them and lead them to living fountains of waters. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

- **God will:**

1) **Shepherd them**

Isaiah 40:11 He will feed His flock like a shepherd; He will gather the lambs with His arm, And carry them in His bosom, And gently lead those who are with young.

Revelation 21:4 ...God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away."

Isaiah 65:17 "For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth; And the former shall not be remembered or come to mind.

Psalms 16:11 You will show me the path of life; In Your presence is fullness of joy; At Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

2) **Lead them** to Living Fountains of Water

Revelation 22:1 ...he showed me a **pure river of water of life**, clear as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God and of the Lamb.

Ezekiel 47:1 Then he brought me back to the door of the temple; and there was water, flowing from under the threshold of the temple toward the east, for the front of the temple faced east; the water was flowing from under the right side of the temple, south of the altar. 2 He brought me out by way of the north gate, and led me around on the outside to

the outer gateway that faces east; and there was water, running out on the right side. 3 And when the man went out to the east with the line in his hand, he measured one thousand cubits, and he brought me through the waters; the water came up to my ankles. 4 Again he measured one thousand and brought me through the waters; the water came up to my knees. Again he measured one thousand and brought me through; the water came up to my waist. 5 Again he measured one thousand, and it was a river that I could not cross; for the water was too deep, water in which one must swim, a river that could not be crossed.

John 4:10 Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water."... ¹³ Jesus answered and said to her, "Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, ¹⁴ but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him **will never thirst**. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life."

Jeremiah 17:13 O LORD, the hope of Israel, All who forsake You shall be ashamed. " Those who depart from Me Shall be written in the earth, Because they have forsaken the LORD, The fountain of living waters."

Zechariah 14:8 And in that day it shall be That **living waters shall flow from Jerusalem**, Half of them toward the eastern sea And half of them toward the western sea; In both summer and winter it shall occur.

John 7:38 He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, **out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.**"

3) Wipe away every tear from their eyes

Isaiah 25:8 He will swallow up death forever, And the Lord GOD will **wipe away tears** from all faces; The rebuke of His people He will take away from all the earth; For the LORD has spoken

Exodus 3:7 And the LORD said: "I have surely seen the oppression of My people who *are* in Egypt, and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters, for **I know their sorrows**.

Revelation 21:4 And God will **wipe away every tear from their eyes**; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away."

The fig tree puts forth her green figs, And the vines with the tender grapes Give a good smell. Rise up, my love, my fair one, And come away! [Song of Solomon 2:13]

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Lion and the Lamb: Worthy to Open the Scroll

- **"The Scroll"**: Redemption/Completion
- **One found Worthy** to Open the Scroll: Lion/Lamb
- **Heavenly and Universal Worship of our Redeemer**: 2nd of 2 witnesses: Creation in Chapter 4, Resurrection in Chapter 5

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Olivet Outline / Tribulation Overview [6 Seals]

- **Tribulation**: First 4 Seals are opened which; 4 riders/4 Horses
- **Abomination of Desolation**: Anti-Christ revealed
- **Great Tribulation**: Begins Fifth and Sixth Seal are opened

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Remembering Mercy in Wrath

- I. All Israel will be Saved
- II. Wait!!!
- III. 144,000 Jewish Evangelists
- IV. Multitude of Great Tribulation Saints