

Revelation 7:

1. **V1**

- a) V1 starts with “And after these things”.
“After” what events did John see the 4 angels?
- b) What are the 4 angels doing?
How can the earth have 4 corners? (Is 40:22, Lev 19:27, Neh 9:21-22)
- c) Why do you think do they have to hold the 4 ‘winds’ of the earth? (answer in v2b)

2. **V2-3**

- a) Another angel ascended from the east. What does he have with him?
- b) What is the purpose of “the seal of the living God”? (Rev 9:4, Ez 9:4-6)
Why do you think is the seal in the forehead?
- c) According to v2, what are the 4 angels who are holding the 4 winds of the earth going to do?
Why would they hurt the earth? (Rev 6:17)
- d) For what must the 4 angels wait before they hurt the earth and sea and trees?
(v3)

3. **V4-8**

- a) How many servants of God were sealed?

- b) Compare Rev 7:5-8 with Gen 49:1-28

Rev 7:5-8

Juda (v5)
Reuben (v5)
Gad (v5)
Aser (v6)
Nephtalim (v6)
Manasses (v6)
Simeon (v7)
Levi (v7)
Issachar (v7)
Zabulon (v8)
Joseph (v8)
Benjamin (v8)

Gen 49

Judah (v8-12)
Reuben (v3-4)
Gad (v19)
Asher (v20)
Naphtali (v21)
Dan (v16-18)
Simeon (v5-7)
Levi (v5-7)
Issachar (v14-15)
Zebulun (v13)
Joseph (v22-26)
Benjamin (v27)

- i. Do you notice the similarities and differences?
- ii. What do you think happened with the tribe of Dan?

- iii. Why then was the tribe of Manasses, Joseph's son, chosen in Dan's place?
(Gen 48:17-20)

4. V9-14 "After this John sees a great MULTITUDE in heaven".

- a) Who are they (the multitude)? (v9)
- b) What are they doing? (v9)
How are they clothed and what do they have in their hands?
- c) Where did they come from? (v13-14)
- d) What are they saying? (v10)
What do you think they mean when they say "Salvation to our God....."? (Is 12)
- e) What are the angels doing? (v11)
- f) Read and compare Rev 7:12 and Rev 5:12.

Rev 7:12

The angels are saying:

Blessing

Glory

Wisdom

Thanksgiving

Honour

Power

Might

Rev 5:12

The angels, beasts and elders are saying:

Blessing

Glory

Wisdom

Riches

Honour

Power

Strength

Can you define (or 'imagine') the deeper meanings of these words in terms of praising and worshiping God?

5. V13-14 "Those that came out of the great tribulation."

Revise Matt 24:15-31 and 1 Thess 4:13-18

- a) What is the great tribulation?
- b) According to Matt 24:29-31, when will Jesus be coming in the clouds?
- c) Do you think the multitude before the throne includes all believers throughout all ages?
- d) What do you think does it mean "they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb"? How can they "wash their robes"? (Heb 10:19-23,

Eph 1:7, 1 Pet 1:18-19, 1 John 1:7, Rom 5:9, Heb 13:12, Lev 17:11, John 6:53-54, Heb 12:22-24)

6. V15-17 Multitude before the throne

- a) V15 says “they serve Him day and night in His temple”? (v15)
- a. What do you think does it mean to serve God day and night in His temple?
 - b. Is there ‘day and night’ in heaven? (Rev 4:8, Rev 12:10)
 - c. What place shall there be no night? (Rev 21:1-3, v25, Rev 22:5)
- b) V15 says “God will dwell among them” (Gen 3:8). Can you imagine us dwelling with God in heaven?
- c) V16 says “They will hunger no more, neither thirst anymore”.
- a. Does this imply that they were hungry and thirsty before they believed in Jesus?
 - b. Is this a physical hunger and thirst? (John 6:35)
- d) V16 says “neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat”.
- a. What do you think does it mean that “the sun will not light on them, nor any heat”?
 - b. What place shall there be no sun? Why? (Rev 21:1-3, v23, Rev 22:5)
- e) V17 says “The Lamb shall feed them and lead them unto living fountains of waters.”
- a. What ‘food’ will we eat and what ‘water’ will we drink? (John 6:48-54, John 6:63b, Luke 4:4)
 - b. What do you think does it mean that the Lamb will lead us unto living fountains of waters? (John 4:13-14, Is 12:2-3, Rev 21:6, Rev 22:17).
 - c. What do you think is the difference between ‘drinking living water’ (John 4:13-14) and ‘rivers of living water flowing out of the belly’ (John 7:37-39)?
- f) V17 says “God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes”.
- a. How does this make you feel?
 - b. What place will there be no sorrow, no crying and no more pain? (Rev 21:1-4)