Study Questions For Revelation 7 Grace Church 1-2024

- Read 7:1-3. A seal was usually a mark or official stamp indicating ownership and the resulting protection of something. The 144,000 sealed in Rev. 7 are also sealed to protect them from judgments. They are protected from death in order to proclaim the gospel to the whole world.
- 2. How are these men described in 14:4-5?

Read 14:6. What will God make sure is declared worldwide? The 144,000 are probably declaring the gospel to all nations. What does Jesus say about this in Matt. 24:14? What does this reveal about God's heart for sinners? Do you often struggle with having God's heart towards evil people? Why? How is this heart manifested?

- 3. The 144,000 are said to be Jews from all 12 tribes. Many take this as symbolic for all believers not just Jews. Yet the natural literal understanding indicates they were Jewish.
- 4. Read 7:9. From what ethnic group do these people in heaven come from? What does Jesus says about this in Matthew 24:14? What does it reveal about God's heart towards all races, ethnic groups and cultures? How can we reflect this in our ministry?
- 5. According to 7:14 from where do they come? What does Revelation 13:7 (referring to what the antichrist will do) say will happen to the saints (Christians)? Why do you think Jesus wants us to know this?

NOTE: 'Saint' means 'holy one.' All Christians, because of their union with Christ and perfect righteousness credited to them by faith, are said to be saints, even though in practice they may sin. 1 Cor. 1:2 Paul writes to the spiritually struggling church at Corinth and calls them 'those who have been sanctified' (made saints, or made holy).

6. How were these people in heaven clothed according to 7:9? Robes are a metaphor for the righteousness or lack of it. In 7:14, They have "white robes" which are symbols for their perfect righteousness (19:8). Which is required to get to heaven (3:4-5; see James 2:10). Their robes have been "made white" in the blood of the lamb. What do you think this means?

What does this imply their 'robes' that is their own righteousness was apart from Christ's blood?

7. This is one of the strongest passages indicating the sole reason sinners are in heaven is the death of Christ on their behalf and "white robes" that is, perfect righteousness credited to them.

- 8. What do the following verses tell us about the death of Christ? Col. 2:14 and Heb. 10:10-14
- 9. What were they praising God for in 7:10? How often do you do this? What happens to your heart when you do? What effect do you think thanking God for our salvation have on our anger towards others in Ephesians 4:31-32?
- 10. What is one activity those in heaven will be doing in 7:15? Why is this such a blessing to those in heaven? Why would Jesus want us to know this?
- 11. What will God do for these Christians according to 7:15?
- 12. What does 7:16 indicate these Christians will no longer experience? What does this imply they were experiencing while on the earth? What does this reveal about the Lord's knowledge of their suffering? Why would He want us to know this?
- 13. In 7: 17 what does Jesus says He will be and do for Christians in Heaven? How does this contrast with the way they were treated while on earth by men?
- 14. What does the fact God will "wipe away EVERY tear from their eye" indicate? Why is this comforting? Why would Jesus want you to know this about your future? Jesus wants to comfort us NOW. What does Matthew 11:28-30 tell us we must do to be comforted by Him? What does 1 Peter 5:7-9 tell us to do?
- 15. What has the Lord shown you through Revelation 7 that encourages you?