

The Interlude (A Parenthesis)

~ Revelation 7 ~

Who will be saved during the Tribulation?

I. Before the judgment begins (angels holding back the winds) God seals His own.

* Even in the worst of times, God shows His mercy and provides a witness. *

* IN THE TRIBULATION - 7 YEARS OF JEWISH PROCLAMATION

II. Why the seal?

- A. Possession of God - Noah, Lot, Rehab
- B. Protection of God - Israel in Egypt, 3 Hebrew children
- C. Power of God - Church at Pentecost

What is the seal? (14:1)

Name of Jesus and the Father written on their foreheads - Holy Spirit!

III. Who are those that are sealed?

- A. 144,000 - 12,000 from each of the 12 tribes

- * Not Seventh Day Adventists
- * Not Jehovah's Witness
- * Not the Church (24 elders)

Read it literally: There are 12,000 from the 12 tribes of Israel - Jews!

Imagine 144,000 anointed evangelists out being the witnesses to the world! 144,000 Billy Grahams

The twelve Jesus anointed turned the world upside down - just think what 12,000 might do!!

Who are the 144,000? (Chapter 14)

Saved Jews with a new song that is only known to them!

Why sing?

Purchased from the earth!

Sanctified - Set apart life -

- (1) Pure
- (2) Followers of Jesus
- (3) No life found in their lives
- (4) Blameless

Cornelius in Acts

First Fruits of those saved during the Tribulation!

Introduces us to those without number (Jews and Gentiles) who will be saved during the Tribulation!