

Revelation 7 Outline

1A The next vision (in order of seeing), vv.1-8:

1B The withholding of the winds, 1: And after these things I saw four angels standing upon the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that wind might not blow upon the earth, nor upon the sea, nor upon any tree.

2B The cessation of harm until the sealing of the servants, vv.2-3:

1C The ascent of the angel, 2a: And I saw another angel ascending from east of the sun,

2C The possession of the angel, 2b: having a seal of the living God

3C The declaration of the angel, 2c-3:

1D The nature of the declaration, 2d: and crying out in a loud voice

2D The audience of the declaration, 2e: to the four angels, to whom it was given for them to harm the earth and the sea,

3D The declaration, 3: saying, "Do not harm the earth, nor the sea, nor the trees, until what time we have sealed the servants of our God upon their foreheads.

3B The number of the sealed, 4: And I heard the number of those sealed, one hundred and forty four thousand, from all the tribes of the sons of Israel were sealed.

4B The tribes, vv.5-8: (birth order: Reuben, Simeon, Levi, Judah, Dan, Naphtali, Gad, Asher, Issachar, Zebulun, Joseph, Benjamin) (missing: Ephraim, Dan) (separated from Joseph, Manasseh)

1C 5: from the tribe of Judah twelve thousand were sealed; from the tribe of Reuben, twelve thousand; from the tribe of Gad, twelve thousand;

2C 6: from the tribe of Asher, twelve thousand; from the tribe of Naphtali, twelve thousand; from the tribe of Manasseh, twelve thousand;

3C 7: from the tribe of Simeon, twelve thousand; from the tribe of Levi, twelve thousand; from the tribe of Issachar, twelve thousand;

4C 8: from the tribe of Zebulun, twelve thousand; from the tribe of Joseph twelve thousand; from the tribe of Benjamin, twelve thousand were sealed.

2A The next vision (in order of seeing), vv.9-17:

1B The praise of the great crowd before the throne and the Lamb, vv.9-10:

1C Numberless, 9a: After these things I saw, and look, a great crowd, which no one was able to number,

2C Ethnicity, 9b: from every nation and tribe and people and tongue,

3C Location, 9c: standing before the throne and before the Lamb,

4C Clothing, 9d: being clothed with white robes,

5C Accessory, 9e: and palm fronds in their hands;

6C Their declaration, 10: And they cried out in a loud voice, saying, "The salvation in our God, who sits upon the throne and the Lamb.

- 2B The praise of the angels, elders, and living things, vv.11-12:
 - 1C The identity of the members in the group, 11a: And all the angels stood around the throne and the elders and the four living things,
 - 2C Their posture, 11b: and they fell before the throne upon their faces, and made obeisance to God,
 - 3C Their praise, 12: saying, "Amen; The blessing and the glory and the wisdom and the thanksgiving and the honor and the power and the strength to our God forever and ever, Amen!"
- 3B The question of the elder, 13: And one of the elders answered, saying to me, "These ones clothed in white robes, who are they, and where are they from?"
- 4B John's answer, 14a: And I said to him, "My lord, you know."
- 5B The reply of the elder, 14b-17:
 - 1C The identification of the great crowd clothed in white, 14b: And he said to me, "These are the ones coming from the great tribulation,
 - 2C The work of the Lamb toward the crowd, 14c: and washed their robes, and made white by means of the blood of the Lamb.
 - 3C Their response in service, 15a: For this reason, they are before the throne of God, and they serve him day and night in His temple;
 - 4C The future dwelling of the one on the throne, 15b: and the one sitting upon the throne will dwell among them.
 - 5C Their future protection, 16: They will no longer hunger, nor will they thirst anymore, nor certainly will the sun fall upon them, nor any heat;
 - 6C The reason for their protection, 17: Because the Lamb who is in the midst of the throne will shepherd them, and will lead them to every fountain of water, and God will wipe off every tear from their eyes.