REVELATION 7 (A.V.)

1)"AND AFTER THESE THINGS I SAW FOUR ANGELS STANDING ON THE FOUR CORNERS OF THE EARTH, HOLDING THE FOUR WINDS OF THE EARTH, THAT THE WIND SHOULD NOT BLOW ON THE EARTH, NOR ON THE SEA, NOR ON ANY TREE."

Now you have to understand these symbols. Why shouldn't the wind blow? What does the wind symbolize? The wind symbolizes trouble or harm, strong winds tear up things, so it symbolzes harm. Now, "not blowing on the earth", the earth is the visible ruling element. In other words, no harm should come to the visible ruling element. "Nor on the sea" which is the masses of humanity, "nor on any tree" the trees are the lofty ones, the important ones of this world, the politicians, big businessmen and the religionists. So no harm should come to them, for how long?

2)"AND 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 GIVEN TO HURT THE EARTH AND THE SEA,"

Now the angels who were holding back the wind had the power to hurt the earth. If they let the wind blow, the earth would be hurt. The wind symbolizes hurt.

3)"SAYING, HURT NOT THE EARTH, NEITHER THE SEA, NOR THE TREES TILL WE HAVE SEALED THE SERVANTS OF OUR GOD IN THEIR FOREHEADS."

This means that the sealing had to take place before the war started. Everything points to this event taking place prior to 1914.

4)"AND I HEARD THE NUMBER OF THEM WHICH WERE SEALED: AND THERE WERE SEALED A HUNDRED AND FORTY AND FOUR THOUSAND OF ALL THE TRIBES OF THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL."

Now why does it say "of the tribes of the children of Israel?" Why does it specifically say "the children of Israel"? Now this throws the religionists. The religionists say that the 144,000 are jews because this scripture actually says that they are sealed from the 12 tribes of the children of Israel, from all the tribes. Now to disprove this we will have to go over Revelation 14. Verse 1):

"AND I LOOKED AND LO, A LAMB STOOD ON MT SION, AND WITH HIM A HUNDRED AND FORTY AND FOUR THOUSAND, HAVING HIS FATHER'S NAME WRITTEN IN THEIR FOREHEADS."

Now this Lamb is Yahshua, this is in the heavens, and there is 144,000, having His FATHER'S name written in thier foreheads, indicating that they belong to YAHWEH. Verse 2):

2)"AND I HEARD A VOICE FROM HEAVEN, AS THE VOICE OF MANY WATERS, AND AS THE VOICE OF A GREAT THUNDER: AND I HEARD THE VOICE OF HARPERS HARPING WITH THEIR HARPS."

3)"AND THEY SANG AS IT WERE A NEW SONG BEFORE THE THRONE AND BEFORE THE FOUR BEASTS, AND THE ELDERS: AND NO MAN COULD LEARN THAT SONG BUT THE 144,000 WHICH WERE REDEEMED FROM THE EARTH."

Now I will just bring out a few points here; the articles brings it all out. Notice that this 144,000 were redeemed from the earth. Now if every body was going to heaven, HE wouldn't have to specifically mention these as being redeemed from the earth. Because everybody would be redeemed from the earth. But HE'S showing us here that it is only the 144,000 who are redeemed from the earth.

4)"THESE ARE THEY WHICH WERE NOT DEFILED WITH WOMEN; FOR THEY ARE VIRGINS"

Now this could be men and women, and some of them were married, so it is not referring to a literal virginity. A 'woman' symbolizes an organization. So these members of the 144,000 had nothing to do with any worldly organizations. They had nothing to do with politics, or any organization that has any association with the world. So they were 'virgins' because they had nothing to do with them.

"THESE ARE THEY WHICH FOLLOW THE LAMB WHITHERSOEVER HE GOETH."

Now remember this, the members of the 144,000 follow the Lamb, implicitly. They don't wander away, and give their own understanding, or start their own religion, but they actually are close to he Lamb.

"THESE WERE REDEEMED FROM AMONG MEN, BEING THE FIRST FRUITS UNTO GOD AND TO THE LAMB."

Again, HE repeats that they are taken from men, and they were the firstfruits unto GOD, and to the Lamb. This means the firstfruits to be gathered, and the first to be resurrected. So this had to do with the first resurrection. Now remember, we are still referring to the 144,000 who were supposedly taken from the 12 tribes of Israel. We go to Revelation 20:4:

"AND I SAW THRONES AND THEY SAT UPON THEM"

Now 'thrones', plural.

"AND JUDGEMENT WAS GIVEN UNTO THEM: AND I SAW THE SOULS OF THEM THAT WERE BEHEADED FOR THE WITNESS OF JESUS, AND FOR THE WORD OF GOD, WHICH HAD NOT WORSHIPPED THE BEAST, NEITHER HIS IMAGE, NEITHER HAD RELEVED HIS MARK UPON THEIR FORHEADS, OR IN THEIR HANDS; AND THEY LIVED AND REIGNED WITH CHRIST A THOUSAND YEARS."

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Now this is referring to the 144,000 Kings and Priests, this is why the thrones are plural. And they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years, now it continues:

5)"BUT THE REST OF THE DEAD LIVED NOT AGAIN UNTIL THE THOUSAND YEARS WERE FINISHED."

Now this is the earthly resurrection.

"THIS IS THE FIRST RESURRECTION.

6)"BLESSED AND HOLY IS HE THAT HATH PART IN THE FIRST RESURRECTION ON SUCH THE SECOND DEATH HATH NO POWER, BUT THEY SHALL BE PRIESTS OF GOD, AND OF CHRIST, AND THEY SHALL REIGN WITH HIM A THOUSAND YEARS."

It says they are Preists and they reign. A King is one that reigns, so they actually are Kings and Priests. Now these are of the FIRST resurrection. Revelation 14 brought out that they are the firstfruits, and here it says they are of the first resurrection. Fristfruits or first resurrection, it's the same thing. And they have thrones and riegn upon them. Now Revelation 5:8:

8)"AND WHEN HE HAD TAKEN THE BOOK, THE FOUR BEASTS, AND THE FOUR AND THEATY ELDERS FELL DOWN BEFORE THE LAMB, HAVING EVERY ONE OF THEM HARPS, AND GOLDEN VIALS FULL OF ODORS, WHICH ARE THE PRAYERS OF THE SAINTS.

9)"AND THEY SANG A NEW SONG SAYING, THOU ARE WORTHY TO TAKE THE BOOK, AND TO OPEN THE SEALS THEREOF; FOR THOU WAST SLAIN AND HAST REDEEMED US TO GOD BY THY BLOOD OUT OF EVERY KINKDRED AND TONGUE, AND PEOPLE, AND NATION.

10)"AND HAST MADE US UNTO OUR GOD KINGS AND PRIESTS; AND WE SHALL REIGN ON THE EARTH."

Or 'over' the earth. Now you notice, here is the same ones who were part of the first resurrection who are the Kings and Priests. It says here concerning them, "you have taken us out of every kindred and tongue and people and nation, and made us unto our GOD Kings and Priests." Now Revelation 7 says they are taken from the 12 tribes of Israel, and here it says they are taken from every nation and kindred and tongue. So what is true? The truth of the matter is they ARE taken from every nationality, race and tongue. But, the "Israel of the flesh is not the Israel of GOD, but the Israel of the Promise is counted as the seed" (Rom 9). So actually they are taken from the Israel of the Promise, and typical Israel was at one time in 12 tribes. But religion trips on that and says they are real jews. But YAHWEH is no repector of persons. So HE even goes on tomentions how many were in these tribes: 5)"OF THE TRIBE OF JUDAH WERE SEALED TWELVE THOUSAND. OF THE TRIBE OF RUEBEN WERE SEALED TWELVE THOUSAND. OF THE TRIBE OF GAD WERE SEALED TWELVE THOUSAND.

- 6)"OF THE TRIBE OF ASHER WERE SEALED TWELVE THOUSAND. OF THE TRIBE OF NAPHTALI WERE SEALED TWELVE THOUSAND. OF THE TRIBE OF MANASSEH WERE SEALED TWELVE THOUSAND.
- 7)"OF THE TRIBE OF SIMEON WERE SEALED TWELVE THOUSAND. OF THE TRIBE OF LEVI WERE SEALED TWELVE THOUSAND. OF THE TRIBE OF ISSACHAR WERE SEALED TWELVE THOUSAND.
- 8)"OF THE TRIBE OF ZEBULUN WERE SEALED TWELVE THOUSAND. OF THE TRIBE OF JOSEPH WERE SEALED TWELVE THOUSAND. OF THE TRIBE OF BENJAMIN WERE SEALED TWELVE THOUSAND."

So even though the 10 tribes had been completely destroyed 600 years before this happened. But here HE takes 12,000 out of each, again HE is showing that the 144,000 are all taken from YAHWEH'S True Israel is what HE is bringing out. Now in verse 9:

9)"AFTER THIS I BEHELD, AND, LO, A GREAT MULTITUDE, WHICH NO MAN COULD NUMBER, OF ALL NATIONS, AND KINDREDS, AND PEOPLE, AND TONGUES, STOOD BEFORE THE THRONE, AND BEFORE THE LAMB, CLOTHED WITH WHITE ROBES, AND PALMS IN THEIR HANDS."

This means that after the 144,000 were sealed and called out, then he sees a great multitude which no man could number, this comes afterwards. Now according to the 'watchtower', HE gathers this 144,000, then HE makes a mistakes and begins to gather the earthly class, and then HE begins to gather the heavenly class again. Because HE goofed somewhere, as though some of them fooled HIM, as though they could fool YAHWEH. But HE doesn't work that way, HE gathers the Kings forst. Even the prophets are going to be brought to perfection by the Kings and Priests. They have to proceed everybody. Hebrew 11 says that "they" the prophets "without us" the heavenly class "should not be made perfect". Indicating that the heavenly class wil restore the whole human race to perfection including the prophets. So the heavenly class has to be first. So when HE said, "After this I beheld, and lo, a great multitude." this is AFTER the 144,000 are sealed, and it starts after the last one is called out. Now these "sttod before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, and palms in thier hands". Standing before the throne indicates that YAHWEH is dealing with them and speaking to them as though they were face to face. Now YAHWEH doen't have to be there, although HE does describe in porions of Revelation that "HE will dwell with us." But when you live with somebody, you communicate with them as though HE was there. But actually, it isn't literal, but it means HE will begin to deal with HIS people. HE says: "I will show them my face and not my back", in other words, "I will no longer ignore you". "Before you pray I will answer you, while you are yet speaking you will get your reward."

Now these are "clothed with white robes and have palms in their hands"

meaning that they are righteous, they have proven themselves. And the palms symbolize peace.

10)"AND CRIED WITH A LOUD VOICE, SAYING, SALVATION TO OUR GOD WHICH SITTETH UPON THE THRONE, AND UNTO THE LAMB."

Now this "great multitude which no man could number", actually ascribes "salvation to YAHWEH, and to the Lamb" indicating that they are FULLY CONVINCED of this. Now this is actually Israel, who number 200 million. So why does it say "that no man could number"? Well, because you couldn't number 200 million, you couldn't start counting them one by one, you would never make it, you would never live that long, it is a tremendous number to count one by one. So no MAN could actually number it. But YAHWEH could give you the number. The total figure, just like astronomy, you could say a hundred light years, now you try to divide that up, in times, or you try to go there with the best mode of travel you know. Even if you travelled the speed of light it would take a hundred years. These are fantastic figures. But you could give the number. You don't have to count it, or travel it, or cover the space or distance. But the number could be given. So YAHWEH gives the number "200,000,000." But it still doesn't mean to say it isn't true, that "no man could number them" because you couldn't number that many people.

11)"AND ALL THE ANGELS STOOD ROUND ABOUT THE THRONE, AND ABOUT THE ELDERS AND THE FOUR BEASTS, AND FELL BEFORE THE THRONE ON THEIR FACES, AND WORSHIPPED GOD."

Now all the angels, the elders are "24 elders with crowns" indicating the ruling organization, those in authority. The reason there is 24 is because the kingdom is divided into two. YAHWEH describes HIS kingdom as a mountain, and in Zechariah 14 "the mountain was split from east to west" meaning part of it went to the north, and part of it to the south. The northern portion indicates the ruling organization of the heavens, and the south, the one that takes the instruction. But if you didn't know that YAHWEH was ruling and you saw the kingdom on earth, you take it as just an earthly ruling organization and that all the instruction comes from right here on earth, that it stems from the earth. You wouldn't know that there was any connection with the heavens at all, what you see is that there is aruling organization here. It's like two kingdoms. But there is an invisible connection between the two and one rules over the other. But you notice there is two. "A King will reign in righteousness, and princes will rule in justice" (Is 32:1). So there is the two authorities, there is the Kings; Yahshua and the 144,000 Kings in the heavens. And there are the Prophets and Israel on earth. So there are two ruling authorities, and they rule over the strangers and the rest of humanity. Now "24" is 12 twice. Twelve symbolizes Israel and we find that the 144,000 are taken from the 12 tribes of Israel, or the True Israel of Promise. And earthly Israel is also made up of Israel which ar one time were in 12 tribes. So you have 12 and 12, which is 24. This is the whole entire ruling organization of YAHWEH. So these are considered the 'elders'. Now the "four beasts" are the "four living creatures". We described them as love, justice, wisdom, and power. They are "round the throne" and YAHWEH does nothing without these 4 living creatures. In other words HE does nothing in hatred, or stupidity or brute force. Everything is done in love, justice, wisdom and power.

12)"SAYING, AMEN: BLESSING, AND GLORY, AND WISDOM, AND THANKSGIVING, AND HONOR AND POWER, AND MIGHT, BE UNTO OUR GOD FOR EVER AND EVER. AMEN."

Everyone is praising YAHWEH and agreeing that HE is the source of all blessings.

13)"AND ONE OF THE ELDERS ANSWERED, SAYING UNTO ME, WHAT ARE THESE WHICH ARE ARRAYED IN WHITE ROBES? AND WHENCE CAME THEY?"

In other words, who are they and where do they come from? Now this applies to you so listen closely. Who are they? This "great multitude which no man could number"? Where do they come from?

14)"AND I SAID UNTO HIM, SIR, THOU KNOWEST. AND HE SAID TO ME, THESE ARE THEY WHICH CAME OUT OF GREAT TRIBULATION, AND HAVE WASHED THEIR ROBES, AND MADE THEM WHITE IN THE BLOOD OF THE LAMB."

In other words, you are going to go through the mill.[end first tape]Now the LORD'S people have to go through all of this. "He who endures to the end the same shall be saved."(Matt 24:13) So this "great multitude" are "those who came out of great tribulation and have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb". So you wash your own robes, you cleanse yourselves. I don't say "Dave, don't do that, you shouldn't do that" week after week, day after day. You know what is right. When you know something is wrong, and you are doing it wrong, you examine yourself in order to correct yourself. You "wash your own robes" and YAHWEH approves of you in that way. So we have a girl who is doing wrong, and she is not even around here anymore, she is doing wrong. She is living with somebody now who is not even in the Truth. And he is giving her trouble, and everything else. So I'm not writing to her. So she says to a student, 'I guess Jeremiah is angry at me, and then YAHWEH must be angry with me, so ask him what he wants me to do.' So I told her what to do, she knows what to do, she has to wash her own robes, she knows right and wrong. If I did it for her she would get no credit, she must make the move. These have 'washed their robes', they wash them themselves. Then you know you have done it. So I won't even answer her, she has got to do it herself.

15)"THEREFORE ARE THEY BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD, AND SERVE HIM DAY AND NIGHT IN HIS TEMPLE: AND HE THAT SITTETH ON THE THRONE SHALL DWELL AMONG THEM."

Now this is where a lot of people are twisted up into thinking that this great multitude also goes to heaven. But the 'temple' has to do with the ruling organization, and they work with YAHWEH in a ruling capacity. They

are "before the throne of GOD" before the throne, or facing the throne. As I have told you many times, when Jeremiah was on earth, YAHWEH says: "If you return, you shall stand before ME", now he was on earth, and YAHWEH was in the heavens, but he was standing before HIM. In other words, HE is saying, "If you correct yourself, I will deal with you." Standing before the throne means that YAHWEH is dealing with them. "Serving HIM night and day in HIS temple". The temple has to do with their ruling capacity. The 200 million of Israel are rulers on earth. You see "he who recognizes a prophet as a prophetr, recieves a prophets reward."(Matt 10:41) The Prophets are rulers, and all of Israel are also rulers, showing that they get the same reward, "and HE that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them." Again, as though HE lives with them. But GOD doesn't come down on earth. `But HE deals with them, HE communicates with them.

16)"THEY SHALL HUNGER NO MORE. NEITHER THIRST ANY MORE; NEITHER SHALL THE SUN LIGHT ON THEM, NOR ANY HEAT."

Well, to be hungry means to be deprived, to be thirsty, again you are wanting, you are deprived. The sun lighting on them is a form of torment, as if you stay out in the blistering sun all day long, like some farmers and slaves had to do. This is a form of persecution. "Nor any heat" in other words, you won't have to suffer from the sun's rays and from the heat. In other words, you will not have persecution of any kind anymore.

17)"FOR THE LAMB WHICH IS IN THE MIDST OF THE THRONE SHALL FEED THEM, AND SHALL LEAD THEM UNTO LIVING FOUNTAINS OF WATERS; AND GOD SHALL WIPE AWAY ALL TEARS FROM THEIR EYES."

In other words, feed them with spiritual food, "and shall lead them into living fountains of waters". This means He will lead them to the Truth that gives them life. "And GOD shall wipe away all tears from their eyes" Now this means that they have to be led to the living fountains of waters, and they partake of these waters continuously indicating that they get everlasting life. But this is not the 144,000 because they are not given everlasting life by anyone, they have immortality, they have life within themselves. So this is the earthly class that HE is referring to here.