

The Seven Seals

Rev 7:13-17

Ref	Description	Speaker	Matthew 24
6:1-8	Four Horsemen 1. Antichrist 2. War 3. Famine 4. Death & Hell	Four Living Creatures from the throne room	1-12 the beginning of sorrows (24:8)
6:9-11	5. Martyrdom	The martyrs	14-24 the abomination of desolation ... great tribulation
6:12-17	6. Great day of God's wrath	Important, impotent people	29-30 Final judgments at the Lord's return
7:1-17	(Answer to 6:17)	Angels, believers	
8:1-5	7. Epiphany	Trumpets	

Question (6:17): Who shall be able to stand?

Feature	7:4-8	7:9-17
John's Experience	4 I heard ...	9 I beheld ...
Number	144,000 (12 x 12,000)	a great multitude, which no man could number
Ethnicity	all the tribes of the children of Israel	all nations, and kindreds [tribes], and people, and tongues
Location	Earth? (v. 3 hurt not the earth ... till we have sealed ...)	Heaven (before the throne)

Revelation 7 Heavenly Multitude	Ezekiel 37 Dry Bones
13 And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, What are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they?	3 And he said unto me, Son of man, can these bones live?
14 And I said unto him, Sir [my lord], thou knowest.	And I answered, O Lord GOD, thou knowest.

Helpful References

7:14 Who washes what?

Exo 19:10 And the LORD said unto Moses, Go unto the people, and sanctify them to day and to morrow, and **let them wash their clothes**,
11 And be ready against the third day: for the third day the LORD will come down in the sight of all the people upon mount Sinai.

Rev 1:5 Unto him that loved us, and **washed us** from our sins in his own blood,

Rev 19:8 And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness [**righteous deeds**] of saints.

Is. 64:6 But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.

1Jn 3:2 we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is. 3 And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.

7:15 before the throne ... serve him

Place: **Heaven**

Activity: “**Serve**” λατρεύω G3000, priestly service

Rev. 5:10 And hast made us unto our God **kings** and **priests**: and we shall **reign** on the **earth**.

Rev. 20:4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment 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, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and **reigned** with Christ a thousand years.

More Helpful References

7:15 he ... shall dwell among them

Ex. 25:8 And let them make me a sanctuary; that I may **dwell among** them.

Ex. 29:45 And I will **dwell among** the children of Israel, and will be their God.

Psa. 68:18 Thou hast ascended on high, thou hast led captivity captive: thou hast received gifts for men; yea, for the rebellious also, that the LORD God might **dwell among** them.

Rev. 21:3 Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and **he will dwell** with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.



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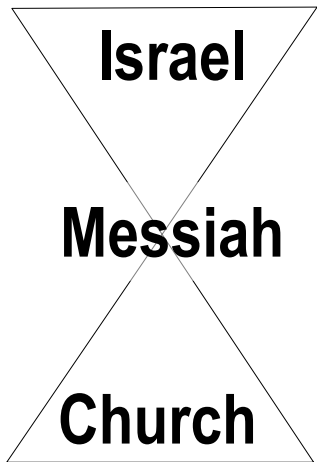
Promises of the Coming Kingdom

Rev 7:16-17	Isaiah
16 They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more;	49:10 They shall not hunger nor thirst;
neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat.	neither shall the heat nor sun smite them:
17 For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them,	for he that hath mercy on them shall lead [נהג H5090, guide animals] them,
and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters:	even by the springs of water shall he guide them.
and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.	25:8 He will swallow up death in victory; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from off all faces ;

Is. 25:6 And **in this mountain** shall the LORD of hosts make unto all people a feast of fat things, a feast of wines on the lees, of fat things full of marrow, of wines on the lees well refined. 7 And he will destroy **in this mountain** the face of the covering cast over all people, and the vail that is spread over all nations. 8 He will swallow up death in victory; and the Lord GOD will **wipe away tears** from off all faces;

Rev. 21:4 And God shall **wipe away all tears** from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

The Servant Hourglass in Isaiah



	41:8-13	42:1-7	42:19	43:10	43:22-44:5	44:21-23	44:26	48:20	49:1-13	50:4-9	50:10	52:13-53:12
Israel	X		X		X	X	X	X	X			
Messiah	X	X		X					X	X	X	X
Church		X							X	X		X

“Servant” is
Mostly **Israel**

“Servant” is
Mostly **Messiah**

In Isa 58-66

- “Servant” becomes “Servants”
- Messianic prophecies emphasize **Deity**

The Context of Isa 49:10

The Lord calls his servant to deliver both Israel and the Gentiles:

Isa 49:1 Listen, O isles, unto me; and hearken, ye people, from far;

The LORD hath called me from the womb;

from the bowels of my mother hath he made mention of my name. ...

5 And now, saith the LORD that formed me from the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob again to him,—

Though Israel be not gathered, yet shall I be glorious in the eyes of the LORD,

and my God shall be my strength.—

6 And he said, It is a light thing that thou shouldest be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and to restore the preserved of Israel:

I will also give thee for a light to the Gentiles, that thou mayest be my salvation unto the end of the earth.

The servant is despised:

7 Thus saith the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel, and his Holy One, to him whom man despiseth, to him whom the nation abhorreth, to a servant of rulers,

The Lord saves him and the people that trust in him:

Kings shall see and arise, princes also shall worship,

because of the LORD that is faithful, and the Holy One of Israel, and he shall choose thee.

8 Thus saith the LORD, In an acceptable time have I heard thee,

and in a day of salvation have I helped thee: and I will preserve thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people,

to establish the earth, to cause to inherit the desolate heritages;

9 That thou mayest say to the prisoners, Go forth;

to them that are in darkness, Shew yourselves.