

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

Exposition of Revelation

Those Who Come out of the Great Tribulation

Rev. 7:13-17

- I. The Identity of the Multitude (7:13-14)
 - A. The elder's question and John's reply (13-14a)
 - B. The elder's answer (14b)
 1. These are those coming out of the great tribulation
The great tribulation – Dan. 12:1; Matt. 24:21
The great tribulation purifies the faith of the saints.
Dan. 11:35
Rom. 5:3-5; 1 Pet. 1:7
 2. And have washed their robes made them white in the blood of the Lamb (9, 14).
*Washed white = Isa. 1:18, Zech. 3:3-5 cleansed, forgiven
*Washed white = persevering faith, purified Rev. 3:4-5
- II. **Their Eternal Rest (7:15-17)**
 - A. Because of this they are before the throne of God
 - B. And they serve Him day and night in His temple
 1. The priesthood of believers – the anticipation of pre-Sinai now finds its ultimate fulfillment (Ex. 19:6; 1:5-6; 5:9-10)
 2. Day/night – continually
 3. Temple – immediate presence, Ezek. 37:26-28
 - C. And the One sitting upon the throne shall tabernacle over them
Cf. Rev. 21:22
*The list that follows uses imagery of a restored/protected/provisioned people.
Isa. 49:10; cf. fulfilled in Christ, Jn. 6:35
 - D. And they shall not hunger or thirst anymore
Already and not yet – Jn. 6:35; Rev. 22:17
 - E. Nor shall the sun fall upon them nor the heat
Psa. 121:6

- F. Because the Lamb, the One in the midst of the throne, shepherds them
Psalm 23; Isa. 49:9-10; Ezek. 34; 37:24 (cf. Rev. 5:5); John 10
- G. And leads them to springs of living water
Isa. 49:10 (cf. Jn 4:13; 6:35; 7:37-38)
- H. And God shall wipe every tear from their eyes
Isa. 25:8

Application

