

REVELATION 7:9 – Notes:

1. Chapter 7 is the middle of a parenthetical passage.
2. There are 6 *Seals* presented previously, in Chapter 6 – (verses [1, 2, 3, 7, 9, and 12](#))
3. Chapter 7 is inserted into the narrative to allow us to catch a glimpse of God's Grace, during a horrible time on the earth.
4. The Rapture does not spell the end of people being saved (He came to save sinners – [I Timothy 1:15](#) and [John 6:37](#) reveal that He *does not* cast out those who come to Him; also [2 Peter 3:9](#) – "*The Lord is not slack...*").
5. In [Revelation 7:1-8](#) we see the Lord redeeming 144,000 Jewish men to go out into the entire world to preach the Gospel.
6. Now we see their converts described: "*a vast number that no one could number.*"
 - (1) NUMBER – John makes no attempt to declare the number.
 - 3,000 saved on the day of Pentecost – [Acts 2:41](#); later 5,000, [Acts 4:4](#); "*the Lord added daily*" – [Acts 2:47](#)
 - 1 million were saved in Nineveh.
 - Perhaps as many as 3 Million in Egypt, when the blood was placed on the doorposts by faith. – [Exodus 12:1-13](#)
 - (2) NATIONALITIES – "*all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues.*" (No racial, economic, social or national distinctions – Gentiles saved by Grace.)
 - (3) NATURES – This is not the Church, because they are "*standing*". When the Church is shown in Heaven, they are sitting ([Revelation 4:4](#)).
 - This crowd is "*standing*" ([vs. 13-14](#)); they came from the "Great Tribulation". The Church does not go through the Tribulation – [I Thessalonians 1:10](#); [Romans 5:9](#); [Revelation 3:10](#).
 - These people are described as VIRTUOUS "*clothed with white robes*" (Imputed Righteousness). VICTORIOUS – These redeemed saints have palm branches in their hands (a symbol of Victory over sin, Satan and the power of the Antichrist).
 - These saints lift their voices in an anthem of Praise to their Redeemer for His redemption. We will see that in [Revelation 7:10, 11](#).