

Israel in the Tribulation
Revelation 7/ Paranthetical

Paranthetical- pertaining to a parenthesis.

Parenthesis- a sentence or certain words inserted in a sentence, which interrupt the sense or natural connection of words, but serve to explain or qualify the sense of the principal sentence. Ex: Revelation 10 & 14

Israel:

Daniel 9:24 "...upon thy people and upon thy holy city..."

Whose people? The message was to Daniel, an Israelite in Gentile captivity. Genesis 12, 17, 21, & 25

Holy city: Jerusalem. Genesis 22; Joshua 10; 2 Samuel 5-6; 1 Kings 5-8; Jeremiah 52; Luke 2; Matthew 21, 23; Acts 1:8.

To: Four Angels: messengers and/or special job. (v. 1a)
Four corners of the earth: north, south, east, west (v. 1b)

Told: "...winds should not blow on the earth, nor sea, nor trees..." (v. 1b)
What does this mean? To hurt the earth and sea, and (trees). (v. 2b)

Two applications:

- 1- What are the effects of wind, or better yet what are effects of no wind?
Drought, stillness, dryness, etc.
- 2- Holy Spirit pictured as wind. John 3:8, Acts 2:2
What are the effects of the Holy Spirit not moving?

Protection: Another angel with "the seal of the living God" (v. 2a)
What is he going to do with it? "...sealed the servants of God in their foreheads." (v. 3); Rev. 14:1
Spiritual application: You are sealed. 2 Corinthians 1:22, Eph. 4:30

Now you can hurt the earth, sea, and trees. (v. 3)

Who: 144,000 sealed out of the tribes of the children of Israel. (v. 4)
Earthly, literal tribes of Israel or descendants of Jacob: Genesis 29-30
12,000 out of each tribe listed verses 5-8:

Juda(h)	Reuben	Gad	Aser
Nephtalim	Manasses	Simeon	Levi*
Issachar	Zabulon	Joseph*	Benjamin

*Dan and Epharim omitted *Levi and Joseph added
Why? Dt. 29:18,21; 1 Kings 12:28-30; Hosea 4:17

God always has a **remnant**. Nehemiah 1:3; Isaiah 1:9; Romans 11:4-6
Israel becomes a witness to the Gentiles. Ex: Esther, Jonah, Rev. 7:9

Gentiles:

What does it say about the Gentiles during the Great Tribulation?
Revelation 11:1-2

Will all Gentiles be “treading under foot” the holy city? No.
Revelation 7:9, 14-15 Ex: Rahab and Ruth

“Great multitude, of all nations, kindreds, and people, and tongues...”
around the throne. (Lamb) Revelation 7:9, 11

How did they get there? Revelation 6:9-11 The Fifth Seal
Revelation 7:14 “These are they which came out of great
tribulation...and have washed their robes, and made them white in the
blood of the Lamb.”

What are they doing there? Revelation 7:10, 15

Who else is there? Revelation 7:11,13
Tribes and Multitude + angels, elders, saints, and four beasts

How did they get there?
Elders Revelation 4:1-4 Angels Revelation 5:11
Beasts Revelation 4:6-8 Saints Revelation 1:5

More to come: Revelation 7:15b-17 Fulfilled in Revelation 21:4 and 22

HOMEWORK: Read the following passages. This will build on Revelation
Chapter 7.

Isaiah 51:17-23 Daniel 7:15-27 & 9:24-27 Ezekiel 6:1-10 Psalm 75:6-10
Matthew 21:18-22 Joel 2:18-27 Matthew 24 & 25