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This vision describes events surrounding the "sealing" of 144,000 Jews living on earth.

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⁴ And <u>I heard the number of the sealed, 144,000</u>, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel: ⁵ 12,000 from the tribe of Judah were sealed, 12,000 from the tribe of Reuben, 12,000 from the tribe of Gad, ⁶ 12,000 from the tribe of Asher, 12,000 from the tribe of Naphtali, 12,000 from the tribe of Manasseh, ⁷ 12,000 from the tribe of Simeon, 12,000 from the tribe of Levi, 12,000 from the tribe of Issachar, 8 12,000 from the tribe of Zebulun, 12,000 from the tribe of Joseph, 12,000 from the tribe of Benjamin were sealed.

Jacob's 12 Sons

Birth Order

Genesis 29:21-30:22; 35:16-18 Reuben Simeon Levi Judah Dan Naphtali Gad Asher Issachar Zebulun Joseph Benjamin

Blessing Order

Genesis 49:3-27 Reuben Simeon Levi Judah Zebulun Issachar Dan Gad Asher Naphtali Joseph Benjamin Sealing Order Revelation 7:4-8 Judah Reuben Gad Asher Naphtali Manasseh Simeon Levi Issachar Zebulun Joseph Benjamin

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What is the role of this 144,000 who are sealed?

• 7:9-17

In this vision John sees a "great multitude" of believers who have been killed on earth and who now appear before God's throne in heaven worshiping.

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⁹ <u>After this I looked</u>, and <u>behold</u>, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰ and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

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This vision describes a group of 144,000 saints, now in the throne room of heaven during the 70th week, who are singing a song that no one else can learn.

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⁴ It is these who have not defiled themselves with women, for they are virgins. It is these who follow the Lamb wherever he goes. These have been redeemed from mankind as firstfruits for God and the Lamb, ⁵ and in their mouth no lie was found, for they are blameless.

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