



Park Community Church

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# BOOKENDS

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Sealed & Sheltered  
Revelation 7:1-17

# Summary

Revelation 7 addresses the question 'Who can stand?' that concludes chapter 6. After the opening of six seals brought judgment and devastation, chapter 7 provides God's answer about how He protects His people. The passage reveals three key truths: God secures the salvation of those who are His (through the sealing of 144,000 representing all believers), God cleanses those who are His (washing robes white in the blood of the Lamb), and God shepherds those who are His (providing perfect care and wiping away every tear). This text emphasizes that while Christians may face suffering and even martyrdom, they have eternal security, complete forgiveness, and the promise of Christ's tender shepherding care both now and in eternity.

## Questions

1. What does it mean that God 'seals' His people, and how does this give you confidence in your daily life?
2. The passage describes both 144,000 sealed Israelites and an innumerable multitude from every nation. How does this vision of God's people encourage you about the scope of His salvation?
3. What does it mean to have your robes 'washed white in the blood of the Lamb'? How does this truth affect how you view your past sins and failures?
4. How does the image of Jesus as both the Lamb and the Shepherd impact your understanding of His character and care for you?
5. The text says these believers are 'coming out of the great tribulation.' What does this teach us about God's faithfulness during difficult times?
6. What specific promises does God make about caring for His people in verses 15-17? Which of these promises do you most need to hear today?
7. How does knowing that 'God will wipe away every tear' change your perspective on current struggles or sorrows you're facing?
8. In what practical ways can we 'rest in the arms of our sweet Jesus' during times of uncertainty or fear?

# Application

This week, when you face challenges, anxieties, or difficulties, intentionally remind yourself of one of the three truths from Revelation 7: that God has secured your salvation, cleansed you completely, and promises to shepherd you through everything. Choose one specific promise from verses 15-17 to memorize and meditate on when you feel overwhelmed or afraid.

## Key Takeaways

1. God secures the salvation of those who are His - nothing can take away our eternal security in Christ
2. God cleanses those who are His - we are completely forgiven and made white through the blood of the Lamb
3. God shepherds those who are His - Jesus tenderly cares for us and will bring us safely home
4. The Lamb (Jesus) is central to our security, cleansing, and shepherding - He is the one who accomplishes all of this for us
5. While we may face suffering in this life, we have the promise that God will wipe away every tear and provide perfect care