

**“Servants Of God”
Revelation 7:4**

*** Differences Between The Seals & The Trumpets:**

- **“The Seals Would Correspond To The ‘Beginning Of Birth Pains’ Found In The Olivet Discourse.” / “The Trumpets And Bowls . . . Later And More Severe Judgments – The Period Of The Great Tribulation.” (Alan F. Johnson)**

- **“The Breaking Of The Seven Seals Is Preliminary To The Actual Opening Of The Book And The Events Of The End Time. It Pictures The Forces That Will Be Operative Throughout History By Which The Redemptive Purposes Of God Will Be Forwarded. They Are Not A Part Of The Great Tribulation Itself, But Are Preparatory And Preliminary To The Great Tribulation. This Conclusion Is Reinforced By The Fact That The Breaking Of The Sixth Seal Clearly Brings Us To The Threshold Of The End; The Five Seals Must Precede It.” / “The Seven Trumpets Relate The Beginning Of The Events Of The End Itself, Particularly The Time Of The Great Tribulation Which Will Introduce The End!” (George Eldon Ladd)**

5. **The _____ Of Revelation 7:**

- **First Group: The _____ (7:4-8)**

*** The _____ Of This Group (7:4 - “Sealed”):**

- **Background From Ezekiel 9:3-5:**

- **The “Mark” Was The Hebrew Letter “Tav” (_____)**

- **Given To Those Who Are _____ To The Lord**

- **To Bring _____ That They Belong To God**

- **A Spiritual Reality Instead Of A Physical One**

*** The _____ Of This Group (7:4 - “Them”):**

- **The “Servants Of Our God” (7:3) (δουλος / Doulos)**

- **The Common Word For “_____” (Found 14 Times)**

- **Must Have A Close Relationship:**

- **With The Other “_____ Of God”**

- **_____ Age (2:20)**

- **_____ Age (22:23)**

*** The _____ Of This Group (7:4 - “Number”):**

- **John _____ The “Number” Before He Sees Them (14:1)**

- **144,000 Appears To Be Very Symbolic – With Common Factors:**

- **Of 144 (21:17)**

- **Of _____ (Found 10 Times In Revelation)**

- **Significant In The OT - _____ Tribes (21:12)**

- **Significant In The NT - _____ Apostles (21:14)**

- **_____ Elders Seem To Represent All Of God’s People**

- **“The Number 144,000 Is A Christian Symbol For The _____ Of The People Of God.” (David Aune)**

- **“Of All The Tribes Of The Children Of Israel” (7:5-8)**

- **Background From Numbers 1:2-3, 20-47; 31:1-6, 48-49**

- **Applied To The 144,000:**

- **“_____” (εκ / Ek) - “Out Of / From”**

- **Does Not Account For All Of ‘The Children Of Israel’**

- **Involved In Spiritual _____ For The Lord**

- **Strength Does Not Depend On _____**

- **None Will Be _____ To The Lord (14:1-5)**