## The Sealed 144,000

Revelation 7:1-8

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- 1. Verses 1-8 are Jewish
- 2. Verses 9-17 are Gentile
- I. The Setting: verses 1-3
  - A. Verse 1 "after this I saw..." After what?

Matthew 24:3-8, 21, 22; II Thessalonians 2:7-10

B. Four angels and four winds - reference to the restraining of God upon the nations of this earth.

Question: What one thing from this point on will not be restrained?

- C. Verses 2-3 this angel has "the Seal of the Living God".
  - 1. Seal shows authority
  - 2. Seal shows ownership/possession
- II. The Sealing: verses 4-8
  - A. Who are the 144,000?
  - B. Some thoughts about the tribes:
    - 1. How many tribes were there?

<u>Original</u>	Revelation 7
1. Judah	Judah
2. Issachar	Ruben
3. Zebulon	Gad
4. Reuben	Asher
5. Simeon	Naphtali
6. Gad	Manasseh
7. Ephraim	Simeon
8. Manasseh	Levi
9. Benjamin	Issachar
10. Dan	Zabulun
11. Asher	Joseph
12. Naphtal	Benjamin
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- 2. Who was the first born of Jacob?
- 3. Why is Judah listed first?
- 4. Of the 12 original tribes, which two are not listed in Revelation 7?
- 5. Why?