

The Sealing of the Servants of God

Revelation Chapter 7

Take-Home Truth: *We have been sealed for battle and God will bring us home.*

Christ-Connection: *“These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes in the blood of the Lamb.”*

Hook: *(Ice-breaker question. Get the group talking!)*

1. *Have you ever participated in something where you were not fully prepared? How did that make you feel? Why is it important that God prepares us for the suffering that we go through?*

Engage: *(Observe the passage and engage with the text)*

2. As a group, read Revelation Chapter 7 together aloud. Make observations. Discuss and unpack these verses together using the next 3 bullets.

- *v 1-3: Discuss why the 4 winds are held back. For example: What can happen if a container is not fully sealed?*
- *v 4, 9: Discuss the literal vs symbolic nature of this passage (being sealed is like a down payment on a house or an engagement ring).*
- *v 9 – 17 Discuss why we are sealed and what it means to be sealed.*

Reflect: *(Reflect upon the key take-aways from the sermon)*

3. *How do we know that we are sealed? How does being sealed allow us to make it through pain and suffering?*

4. *Life on earth is hard. Take a moment to reflect on the trials and tribulations you have been through in your life. How does this compare to what we will experience in v 14 – 17?*

Respond: *(Apply the truths of God’s Word to your heart, affections, and actions)*

5. Richard said "We know we have been sealed by loving Jesus and hating sin". How do you show this in your own life?

6. What are ways that you can improve in both of these areas?