



God has His witnesses at all times



God will have people in the future who honour Him and who are prepared to die a martyr’s death for it. This chapter interrupts the description of God’s judgments on this earth. – Why? Because God wants to point out that even at that difficult time – which is called “the great tribulation”¹ (v14) – He will have people who believe in Him and the Lord Jesus. He will protect these people for His kingdom in the difficult circumstances.

There are two groups of people:

- People from the nation of Israel (vv4-8).
- There is also a great multitude from all nations (vv9-12).



21. Which (symbolic) number stands for those sealed from Israel?
22. What is said about the size of the multitude from all nations?
23. “God will wipe all tears from their eyes” (v17). – What does that mean?



The symbolic language of Revelation, part 9:

- „Four winds of the earth“ (v1) = the elements that are ready to destroy the earth
- „The seal of the living God“ (v2) = God shows whom He will protect.



Do you belong to the great number of witnesses, which the Lord Jesus has for as long as the earth remains?

¹ The expression “the great tribulation” refers to the last 3 ½ years of Daniel 9 (see Lightkeeper 29 November)

21. The number is 144,000 (v4). 22. An innumerable multitude (v9). 23. God will ensure that the memory of all the difficulties they have experienced and they have shed tears over will not burden and trouble them any more.