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Topic: Studies in Revelation – God Will Protect!

Text: Revelation 7:1-17

1. Everyone in the world will go through adversities. But Christians go through these difficulties in the name of Christ as we have the confidence that He will be our protector. Thus Christians do not live without hope. Even when tough times come, Christians can look to God for help and strength.
2. Revelation 7 is a chapter of comfort because our God is a living God. As the Creator, He gives life to all and is control of everyone's life. He had already predestined a believer to everlasting life and He will be the One who will see through it. Revelation 7:4-8 records a special group of people from the children of Israel who will be protected from any harm during the Great Tribulation. A total of 144,000 of them are specially sealed by God. No one, including Anti-Christ, will be able to hurt them.
3. Another group of people that God will protect are the tribulation saints. Unlike the previous group, this group of people will suffer harm and hurt to the point that they will lose their lives. Though their physical life may be in danger, no one can touch their eternal life. Losing their physical life is a way of how God protects them and brings them back to a place that is safe forevermore.
4. Christians need not worry about their daily needs, especially in this pandemic. God will protect His own and no one will harm God's children beyond what God permits. Turn to God for strength and help.

**Sometimes God answers our prayer by removing harm that comes our way. Other times, He permits harm and even death, as a form of His ultimate protection.**