

# Stuff People Ask Me

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1. Rev. 7:4-9 – Will there only be 144,000 people saved?
  - A. Acts 16:30 – What must I do to be saved?
    - Rev. 7:9 – A numberless crowd will be saved.
    - Acts 2:37 – This question reveals a sincere heart moved by the Holy Spirit.
    - Rev. 3:15-17 – Many people feel no need – they are not responsive to the voice of the Holy Spirit.
    - 1 John 3:4 – Sin is the transgression of the law.
    - Matt. 5:17-24 & 28-29 – Everyone has sinned according to Jesus.
    - Rom. 3:23 – All have sinned and fall short of God’s righteous standard.
    - The Baptist couple was offended.
    - John thought he was doing “pretty good.”
  - B. Matt. 1:21 – How may I know that I will be in heaven?
    - A. 1 Tim. 1:15 – Jesus came in to the world to save sinners
      - 1 John 5:11-13 – If we have Jesus we have life.
      - Acts 16:31 – Believe on Jesus and you will be saved.
      - Eph. 2:5 – We were saved – Justification.
      - 1 Cor. 1:18 – We are being saved – Sanctification.
      - Rom. 10:9-10 – We will be saved – Glorification.
      - The young couple found peace

“Simple faith in the atoning blood can save my soul; and with John, I must call the attention of all to the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world. Jesus has saved me, though I had nothing to present to Him, and could only say, "In my hand no price I bring, Simply to thy cross I cling." Never did a sinner seek the Saviour with the whole heart but that the Saviour was found of him.” {That I May Know Him, pg. 336:4}

The names of the 12 tribes in the 144,000 are as follows:

12 Tribes in Revelation 7	12 Tribes in Gen. 29-31
Judah - "Praise Jehovah"	Reuben
Reuben - "Behold a Son"	Simeon
Gad - "Fortune Comes"	Levi
Asher - "Happy"	Judah
Naphtali - "My wrestling"	Dan
Manasseh - "God has caused me to forget."	Naphtali
Simeon - "Hearing"	Gad
Levi - "Joined to Me"	Asher
Issachar - "Hired"	Issachar
Zebulun - "Dwelling"	Zebulun
Joseph - "Increaser"	Joseph
Benjamin - "Son of my right hand."	Benjamin

The tribe of Dan (Judge or judgment) is not mentioned in Revelation 7.

If the 144,000 is a literal number, and if only the 144,000 are saved then:

- Only Jews will be saved because the tribes are Jews (Rev. 7:3).
- Only unmarried men will be saved (Rev. 14:4).
- No one from the tribe of Dan will be saved.
- Only perfect people will be saved (Rev. 14:5).

