



# Oakwood

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## CHURCH

## November 14 Discussion Questions

### “A Vision Worth Living For”

Revelation 7:9-17

#### **Preview**

*“After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes...” Revelation 7:9*

**MAIN IDEA:** This vision of global salvation should change the way we live today.

#### **UNDERSTAND THE TASK:**

Salvation remains to be accomplished among all people. (v.9)

#### **EMBRACE THE CALLING:**

Salvation requires God’s work in God’s people. (v.10-12)

- We must involve Him!
- We must trust Him!

Salvation requires the suffering of God’s people. (v.13-14)

- We must be obedient!
- We must be bold!

#### **REAP THE REWARDS:**

Salvation results in the blessing of God’s people. (v.15-17)

*“They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”*  
Revelation 7:15-16

## OPENING QUESTION

1. What is a vision you have for a project you'd love to complete in the near future?
2. Why is having a vision valuable? In what way is a visionary different from a dreamer?

**PRAY** - Pray for God's blessing on your conversation - to illuminate your minds, transform your hearts, and draw you closer together as a group.

## READ THE PASSAGE — Revelation 7:9-17

### DISCUSSION & APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. What does John see in his vision? What stands out to you?
2. What does John's vision reveal about the heart of God?
3. Who comprises this multitude? What all do we know about them? (see v.14 and 6:9-11 for greater context)
4. What forms of suffering are common in America? How does this differ from the rest of the world? What does this do to your heart?
5. In what ways have you suffered for the Gospel? What step of obedience might God be calling you to that could include a degree of suffering?
6. What does v.10 teach us about God's role in salvation? How might this clarify your role? Does God's role bring you relief? Why or why not?
7. How is it that a robe can be washed white in the blood of the Lamb in v.14? What is this communicating?
8. Which reconciling promise in v.15-17 is most encouraging to you today?
9. How do you want this vision of the martyred multitude to challenge and change you?
10. What is a way you could increase your involvement in God's *global* evangelistic mission (as opposed to your *local* evangelistic mission)?

### PRAYER

- Personal Request: Offer thanksgiving for God's promise to be the shepherd for people from every nation, tribe, and tongue.
- Ministry Request: Pray for John and Kerri Schneider, who serve with CRU: pray for God's enabling as they seek to develop movements of disciples of Jesus on campuses throughout the Tampa Bay area. Pray also for our current missionary team in Mexico (Darin Anderson, Maikel Odang, Patrick Pellizze, and Aimee Rivera).