Vindicating the Saints

Rev. 6:12-7:17 Series: End Times Motivation
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| l. | | e great day of [God and the Lamb's]" on | | | |
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| | eart A. | n events (7:12-14) | | | |
| | i. ii. iii. iv. | i. Earthquake i. Sun will become black (Day 4 – Gen. 1:16) | | | |
| | B. Pe | eople of earth (7:15-17) | | | |
| | i. | Everyone in caves and among rocks of mountains | | | |
| | ii. | Beg for to escape God's face and the Lamb's wrath | | | |
| | iii. | Know that the "day of [God's]" has come to destroy all mankind. | | | |
| II. | Angelic action on (8:1-8) | | | | |
| | A. Those with power to earth and sea | | | | |
| | ba | ack the (v. 1) | | | |
| | Four angels at "four corners of the earth" Another angel ascending from the rising of the sun | | | | |

1. Had authority from God (indicated by the "seal of the

living God")

| | B. | Ins | structe | d to | (v. 3-8) | |
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| | | i. | Do no | ot | the earth, sea, tre | ees until(3a) |
| | | ii. | 1. Se | ealed on their fo | [|] (v.3b-8) |
| III. | Meanwhile, back in | | | ack in | (8:9-17 | ") |
| | A. | Ac | ctivity a | it God's | (v. 9-12) | |
| | | i. | | | stand before the thi | rone and the |
| | В. | Jo i. | hn add | enly beings dressed by an e torical question ealing answer (| ? (v. 13-14a) | od (v. 11-12) |
| | | | 1. Th | nese white robe | d folks came from the | |
| | | | _ | | (14b) | |
| | | | | 5a) | God day and night in | His temple |
| | | | 3 | | by God (15b- | 16) |
| | | | b. c. | No more hung No more thirst | | |
| | | | 4 | | by the Lamb | (17) |
| | | | | Guided to spri Tears wiped fi | ngs of living water rom eyes | |

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- I. "The great day of [God and the Lamb's] wrath on earth
 - A. Cataclysmic events (7:12-14)
 - i. Earthquake
 - ii. Sun will become black (Day 4 Gen. 1:16)
 - iii. Moon to be like blood (Day 4 Gen. 1:16)
 - iv. Stars will fall (Day 4 Gen. 1:14)
 - v. Sky to vanish (Day 2 Gen. 1:6-8)
 - B. People of earth **respond** (7:15-17)
 - i. Everyone hides in caves and among rocks of mountains
 - ii. Beg for <u>death</u> to escape God's face and the Lamb's wrath
 - iii. Know that the "day of [God's] wrath" has come to destroy all mankind.
- II. Angelic action on **earth** (8:1-8)
 - A. Those with power to <u>harm</u> earth and sea hold back the <u>wind</u> (v. 1)
 - i. Four angels at "four corners of the earth"
 - ii. Another angel ascending from the rising of the sun
 - Had authority from God (indicated by the "seal of the living God")
 - B. Instructed to wait (v. 3-8)
 - i. Do not **harm** the earth, sea, trees until...(3a)
 - ii. Seal God's servants [Israelites] (v.3b-8)
 - 1. Sealed on their foreheads
 - 2. 12,000 from each of the twelve tribes.
- III. Meanwhile, back in **heaven** (8:9-17)
 - A. Activity at God's **throne** (v. 9-12)
 - i. Gentiles stand before the throne and the Lamb (v. 9-10)
 - 1. Clothed in white robes (cf. 6:11)
 - 2. Praising God

- ii. Heavenly beings worship God (v. 11-12)
- B. John addressed by an elder (v. 13-17)
 - i. A rhetorical question? (v. 13-14a)
 - ii. A revealing answer (v. 14b-17)
 - These white robed folks came from the <u>Great</u> <u>Tribulation</u> (14b)
 - 2. **Serve** God day and night in His temple (15a)
 - 3. **Protected** by God (15b-16)
 - a. They are sheltered in God's presence
 - b. No more hunger
 - c. No more thirst
 - d. No more exposure to weather woes
 - 4. **Shepherded** by the Lamb (17)
 - a. Guided to springs of living water
 - b. Tears wiped from eyes