

## Reading Sunday 27 September 2020

### Revelation 7 9 - 17

#### The great multitude in white robes

<sup>9</sup> After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. <sup>10</sup> And they cried out in a loud voice:

'Salvation belongs to our God,  
who sits on the throne,  
and to the Lamb.'

<sup>11</sup> All the angels were standing round the throne and round the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, <sup>12</sup> saying:

'Amen!  
Praise and glory  
and wisdom and thanks and honour  
and power and strength  
be to our God for ever and ever.  
Amen!'

<sup>13</sup> Then one of the elders asked me, 'These in white robes – who are they, and where did they come from?'

<sup>14</sup> I answered, 'Sir, you know.'

And he said, 'These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. <sup>15</sup> Therefore,

'they are before the throne of God  
and serve him day and night in his temple;  
and he who sits on the throne  
will shelter them with his presence.

<sup>16</sup> "Never again will they hunger;  
never again will they thirst.  
The sun will not beat down on them,"<sup>[a]</sup>  
nor any scorching heat.

<sup>17</sup> For the Lamb at the centre of the throne

will be their shepherd;  
"he will lead them to springs of living water."<sup>[b]</sup>  
"And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.