

The End Times (part 10)

The 144,000 Revealed

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How many of you read the book *Left Behind*? It's the biggest crock of bull in the Christian marketplace today! According to them, the 144,000 is a bunch of Jewish evangelists. Now somebody tell me who you think the 144,000 are, from your years of study. If you don't know who the 144,000 are, then you can't even understand the Bible. So talk to me. Who are the 144,000? Who did they tell you it was?

The Twelve Tribes of Israel. We're going to talk about that today. Make sure I go there, and if I don't, raise your hand and say, "Brother Vaughn, what about those twelve tribes?" We've got to deal with that. Anyone else want to take a shot at who you thought the 144,000 were?

The people who were saved. Yahweh help us if that's all who's going to be saved! We are talking about since Adam. That would be one saved every fifty years. But we did think that. We always thought that it was those who would be saved, perhaps. But one of the most popular understandings of the 144,000 is that these will be Jewish evangelists during the Tribulation period. If you read Tim Lahaye's books, that's what he postulates; that these will be Jewish evangelists.

I want to tell you, that when you leave this building today, you will understand something that will transform your life, by the message of the 144,000. So let's turn to the book of Revelation, and let's find out the truth of Yahweh's Holy Word. We're going to go to Revelation, chapter seven first. There's two mentions of the 144,000 in the book of Revelation: chapter seven, and chapter fourteen respectively. I find it odd that they're mentioned in chapters seven and fourteen. Praise the Lord. I'm big on numbers. Amen.

Revelation 7:1 And after these things I saw four malakim standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, so that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any tree. 2 And I saw another malak ascending from the east, having the seal of the living Father; and he cried with a loud voice to the malakim, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea.

Always remember to read one chapter ahead of where you're reading, to get the context. You're going to find the book of Revelation is a parallel book. It deals with one side of the coin, and then it deals with the other. In chapter six, before chapter seven, we are seeing the opening of great destruction upon the earth. We are seeing those who have accepted the mark of the beast. They have accepted the 666, which is not a literal 666. I'll explain that one day. They have accepted a great devastation upon their life.

If you read chapter six, it shows you the pale horse, and the death, and all the destruction that's coming upon the earth. Unfortunately, the Church has taught us that we are going to be raptured out of here, and therefore, nobody is prepared for trouble. Nobody is prepared for these events because we've been lied to by that Babylonian system, that we're going to be vacuumed out of here, and escape all of this trouble. But I'm getting ready to read to you what is going to happen to a certain group of people. Not to everybody, because a lot of people are going to accept the mark of Babylon.

But for those who do not accept the beast's mark—authority—they will not come under the authority of the beast. What's another name for mark? Authority. If I give you my mark, I give you my authority. If I put my mark on a check, I give you my authority to cash it. A mark is a signature and a signature denotes your authority. The beast is not the Antichrist. The beast is Babylon. The beast is the system that will BLESS the Antichrist, and tell the whole world that he's alright, and the world will accept the mark, or the authority, of Babylon.

But there is another group of people that John sees. They are not under that authority. They are not under that dictate. They have chosen another way, and John is now bringing us into the other side of the coin. We'll pick up in verse three now, right before Yahweh is getting ready to pour out His destruction. I'll say this plainly: the Church of the Living Yahweh will not be protected during the terror of the Antichrist. But we will be protected during the wrath of Yahweh.

Many of us will die under the Antichrist. Many of us will give up our life if they catch us gathering on the Sabbath instead of Sunday. We will hide out. I'm telling you the truth. Go Google *The Waldensians*. Pope Lucius III commanded that all Sabbath keepers be killed. They were hiding out in the Swiss mountains while keeping the Sabbath. If you don't identify with Babylon, you will be marked for death by the Antichrist. But you aren't worried about it. I understand. Because you're getting raptured, right? No, you're going to get ruptured. You've already been ruptured by the lies of Babylon. But there's another group. They are noticing the truth, and that New Church is rising up. Now we will pick up in verse three.

3 Saying; Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our Father on their foreheads.

The wrath of Yahweh is about to be poured out. The first three and a half years of the wrath of the Antichrist is over. He's done his destruction to Yahweh's people. Now Yahweh's getting ready to enter into the Seventh Day with great destruction on the earth. But before He pours out His wrath, He sends the angels, the messengers out to preach a SEALING message. You better hear me. They begin to preach a sealing message, and something begins to happen. Read.

4 And I heard the number of those who were sealed: And there were sealed 144,000 of all the tribes of the children of Israyl.

See, Brother Vaughn, this has got to be the Jewish people. This has got to be the Jews because it says o'f all the tribes of Israel'. I want to talk to you

all for a second before we read any further. Do you know how long the church has been mystified over these 144,000? For centuries. This number made no sense to us. Why is that? Is it because the Church was stupid? No! Great theologians have been baffled over these 144,000. We knew it couldn't be just the people who got saved, because you can get that many saved in a crusade in Kenya, Africa. But there was a reason we did not know before these days. The only way you can solve a mystery is to have all the pieces to solve it.

Before these days, the Father has not revealed to us a great secret that we're just now finding out. In the last ten to fifteen years, we have come to understand WHO ISRAEL IS! Why could we not understand this mystery before now? Because it said, *These were the times of Israel*. In our minds, that means the Jewish people. I'm going to give you the greatest secret I've ever learned for understanding the Bible. I dare say, until I understood this, I molested the Bible. You cannot read this Bible without an understanding of the difference between Jews and Israelites.

All my life when you said *Israel*, I thought *Jews*. Therefore, when you read the Bible and when you see the word *Jew* in the Bible, you think *Israel*. When you see the word *Israel*, you think *Jews*. But until you come to



understand the difference between a Jew and an Israelite, you will always misinterpret the Bible. Let me teach you a great mystery today of Yahweh's Holy Scriptures. The first time you find the word *Jew* in the Bible, is when you find the Jewish people fighting against Israel in II

Kings 16:6-7. They are at war with Israel. If you don't understand what I'm getting ready to teach you, you'll never interpret your Bible right. Never.

We all know that at one time under King David, that all of Israel was one nation. After David died, what happened? There was a split. After King



Solomon died, King Jeroboam and Rehoboam rose to the thrones. We know there are how many tribes in Israel? Twelve. They came up to King Rehoboam and said, “You’re charging us more taxes than your father, Solomon, charged us. We don’t want to pay these taxes anymore.” Then King Rehoboam said, “I’m going to charge you higher taxes than my own daddy charged you,”

so ten tribes of Israel left Jerusalem. Remember Israel was Jacob. His name was changed to Israel. He had these twelve sons. They make up Israel. After David’s reign, ten of the sons left. We start the whole nation of Israel out with these twelve men. Father Abraham had many sons.

These twelve sons of Israel are all part of one nation. Judah was one of the families of Israel. Benjamin was another one of the families. I could go down and name all the twelve sons. Collectively they all made up one nation. But after King Solomon died, ten of the brothers separated. They left Jerusalem. Yahweh put the capital of Israel in Jerusalem. They left Jerusalem and went to Samaria, and set up their capital. They divorced Yahweh. They left the Sabbath. They left the Commandments. They left, and only two brothers stayed in Jerusalem: Judah and Benjamin. Together, they all fell under the name *Judah*. What is the nickname of the Tribe of Judah? Jews. In the Word of Yahweh, only these two brothers are Jews. The Jews maintained the true capital of Yahweh’s Holy Nation in Jerusalem.

The other ten brothers are still Israel, but they’re not Jews. But the Jews are part of Israel, but Israel are not the Jews. You need to learn the difference.

When people tell you, *That's for the Jewish people*, they are showing their ignorance. It's for Israel, not Jews! Judah stayed in Jerusalem and kept the Sabbath, kept the Holy Days, and stayed with the Commandments. That's why 4.000 years later in 2016, you can still IDENTIFY the Jewish people. These two brothers have ten brothers that are missing from home, but the land of Israel was not promised to these two alone. The land was promised to ALL of Israel. The Bible said when this division happened, the heart of Yahweh was devastated at the whole nation having a church split. These were His people. To this day, they're still separated.

But there's going to be a revival. There's going to be a revival of the two houses: the House of Israel, and the House of Judah! All of them will join back together in the land, and then the heart of Yahweh will be satisfied that His covenant to Abraham was for all of His children. Keep in mind, from this division forward, you can no longer call those ten brothers *Jewish*. They're not Jews. They're Israel. We call Judah and Benjamin *the Jewish people*. But those other ten brothers are Israelites.

What happened to those other ten brothers? They came down to Assyria. Yahweh DIVORCED those ten brothers. When people tell you that Yahweh divorced the Jews, that is a lie. He divorced Israel. Why did He divorce Israel? She broke Sabbath. Read your Bible (Exodus 20:20-24, 22:8 & 26). She quit keeping Sabbath, and Yahweh divorced those ten tribes. From that point forward they are known as The Ten Lost Tribes.

There were millions of them. Where did they go? Did they just disappear? Did they just vanish off the face of the earth? Oh no. The King of Assyria took them into captivity, and I can show you exactly where they went



through the Caucasus Mountains. I can show you where they went all around the world. The Lost Tribes are scattered around the world. Go read all the prophets. Every prophet talked about a day when that breach would be repaired. Yahweh told Ezekiel to pick up two sticks. He said, "Bring them together. Tie them together and make them one. In the last days I will do that with the House of Judah

and the House of Israel.” If you don’t understand what I’m teaching right now, you’ll pervert the Word of Yahweh. That’s why when we got to the 144,000, it said that they are the twelve tribes of Israel, and people say they are Jews. They don’t even know who Israel is.

We just read that the 144,000 are the twelve tribes of Israel. Do you know right now there are no twelve tribes we can identify? But I’ll tell you who can identify them. The Holy Spirit. The Holy Ghost. He never lost one of their descendents. He never lost a one, and it tells all through the Bible about a day when He will bring back together the House of Judah—many times it’s referred to as Ephraim—it’s the House of Israel. When do they come back together? I’ll be happy to tell you. In the vision John just saw, he saw all twelve tribes back together. That’s the day that’s coming.

Do you see how if you don’t understand what I just taught you, you will say everything is for the Jewish people? Let me tell you something: Yahweh never divorced the Jew. He divorced the Lost Tribes of Israel, but He’s going to remarry them, because Yahweh hates divorce. He put them away for a little while so He could bring in the Gentiles. We’re going to talk about that a little bit later. Let’s go back to our text now and read again, verse number four, and they will tell you who the 144,000 are.

And I heard the number of those who were sealed: And there were sealed 144,000 of all the tribes of the children of Israyl.

They were from ALL the tribes. Is that all the Jewish people? No. It’s the Ten Lost Tribes who have been reunited with Judah and Benjamin. They’re coming together in this vision. That is the purpose of the whole plan of Yahweh! That’s why They’re not reaching for the whole world right now. Yahshua said, “I didn’t come for the world, but I came to seek and save the Lost Sheep of Israel.” He knows where they are. He knew where you were when He called you, or He wouldn’t have called you. He made a promise to Abraham in that day. He said, “I’ll seek them out from every corner of the earth. I’ll call them, I’ll find them, I’ll bring them back here.” Oh, if only people could understand this. Now let’s go to verse nine.

9 After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb clothed with white robes, and with palm branches; taught to keep Yahweh's Feasts, in their hands.

How was it that we could number the first group? The first group we could number them. Why? Because the government can be numbered. But now we find another group. They're not in the 144,000, but they're still saved, they're still before the throne. If you ever get this government message. If you ever see the difference between the chosen and the called. There was a group with a number that nobody could number, there were so many. But another group was numbered. He's calling them; choosing them. He's got their number.

There's only one group on the earth today that the Holy Ghost is reaching for. That number *that no man can number* comes after the Millennial Reign when the whole earth will call Him Lord. Nobody can number that number. But right now, He's working on a specific number, and we're going to talk about that number. Let's go to Revelation fourteen. Here we find the exact same picture. Before we read chapter fourteen, let's get a synopsis of chapter thirteen.

In chapter thirteen, we see a beast rising up out of the sea. This beast represents carnal government. How do we know that's what it represents? Because the sea always represents masses of people. When you see the word *sea* in the Bible, the word *wicked* is like a troubled sea. So when you see the word *sea* in the book of Revelation, that means *wicked people*. That's why the Bible said in the new heaven and the new earth, that there would be no more sea—no more wicked people. You better learn how to read your Bible. So in chapter thirteen, we see a beast—government—rising out from among the wicked people; the sea.

Revelation 13:1 And I stood upon the sand of the sea,

That means, I stood in front of a bunch of wicked people.

and saw a beast rise up out of the sea,

Change the word *beast* to government. I saw the beast rise up out of the wicked people.

having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads, the names of blasphemy.

Blasphemy. This whole chapter is about a blasphemous government, and as you read chapter thirteen, you find out how this government is going to blaspheme Yahweh. They're going to govern the earth. The government of the Antichrist is rising here among the carnal wicked nature of people. But when we get to chapter fourteen, John flips the coin, and says, "Let me show you another government that's going to be rising. But not from the sea this time, from Mt. Zion." Read verse one of chapter fourteen.

Revelation 14:1 And I looked and behold the Lamb standing on Mount Zion,

The Lamb was standing on the government of Zion.

and with Him 144,000,

First of all, John said, "I saw a Lamb." Then notice he said he saw another 144,000 lambs on Mt. Zion. He didn't say people. He is talking about a Lamb, and then he saw another 144,000 lambs with Him. Then he said, "I saw the head of that government, and then I saw the rest of the government, who looked just like the head of the government. They were lambs. They talked like Him. They kept Sabbath like Him. They kept Commandments like Him. They walked like Him. I saw a Lamb, but then I saw 144,000 lambs all with the same character, the same nature." The lambs are the government of Zion! The first government he saw was coming

out of the sea with their carnal nature. But now John sees another government rising on Mt. Zion, looking like the Lamb! This message ought to go around the world. There's TWO governments!

having His Name and His Father's Name written in their foreheads. 2 And I heard a voice from heaven, like the voice of many waters, and like the voice of a great thunder; and I heard the harpers harping with their harps. 3 And they sang, as it were, a new song before the throne,

It's going to be the victory song.

and before the four living creatures; and the elders. And no man could learn that song but the 144,000, who were redeemed from the earth.

And no man could learn that song. But a certain group. Do you know how that song is going to go? *I was tempted by Babylon, but I overcame them all. I was tempted by the beast, but I stood so tall. I was tempted by this world, but I looked and I Overcame by the Blood of the Lamb; I overcame it all.* Why can't anyone else sing that song? They didn't write it! It's not in them. They're not Overcomers. They're Babylonians. They went to bed with the Whore, but we're going to find out something.

4 These are the ones who were not defiled with women; forbidden assemblies,

These didn't go to bed with the Whore. The 144,000 didn't crawl in bed with Papa Pope. No. They didn't crawl in bed with pagans. They didn't crawl in bed with the women of this world that seduce them from the pureness of the Word! But they were tempted. They were tempted when they saw everybody they loved up there on Sunday. Their hearts were tempted, but something in them stood up and said, "I can't." They were tempted when Passover rolled around not to look like a fool and honor it.

They were tempted not to be holy. They were tempted by Babylon, but they never went to bed with her, even though they were tempted.

for they are virgins; *cleansed and pure*. These are the ones who follow the Lamb wherever He goes.

Who is the Lamb? Yahshua. He's the Word. *In the beginning was the Word*. So they are following the WORD. On the New Year, Babylon is following the Pope. His calendar said it's in January, but the 144,000 are following the Word wherever it leads. We follow it. We obey the Word. He said, "On the 14th day of the first month is Passover. We know how to do that. We don't know how not to obey. Why? Virgins.

These were redeemed from among men—the firstfruits to Yahweh and to the Lamb.

Who are the 144,000? The First Fruits! They're not the only ones; they're the first ones. Don't you know we aren't going to be the only harvest? I've taught you that. There's another one coming in the Millennium Reign. We are going to be the First Harvest, the ones who make it in the First Resurrection! There's two resurrections, but somebody is going to make it in the first one. That's the 144,000! Good God from heaven!!

5 And in their mouth was found no guile; *falsehood*,

There was no deceit in them! Go look up the word *guile*. It's deceit. There was no Babylonian deception in their mouth. They hated lies. They loved truth. Do you know what Paul said? "That you have not a love for truth. You love church. You love religion. You love the crowd, but truth, you're scared to death of it."

for they are without fault before the throne of Yahweh.

They were without fault. Now, let me teach you something. Let's talk about the 144,000. Your goal in this life is to be part of the firstfruit, the first

harvest, the 144,000. Let me tell you what the 144,000 is not. It's not a head count: 141, 142, 143, 144. It's not a head count. That's your problem. You've been reading that scripture as a head count. These are not Jewish evangelists. I don't care how many books Tim LaHaye sells. These are not Jewish evangelists.

I want you to imagine something with me. I want you to imagine with me a Golden Age governed by Yahweh. Yahweh is holy. Imagine Him multiplied by 144,000 people just like Him, and they are put in positions as presidents, kings, mayors, and counselors, and judges: all reproductions of Yahweh Himself. Humans who are completely submitted to the image of Yahweh. Imagine an earth governed by those sons of Yahweh. That day is coming. Paul talks about it, when the whole earth is groaning, waiting for the manifestation of the sons of Yahweh. Remember: dogs have dogs, cats have cats, men have men; but Yahweh has gods, just like Him. You're not the son of Yahweh until you become like Him.

Think of 144,000 sons of Yahweh walking in our nations. Do you know what that would be? In a hundred forty-four nations of the world, that would be one thousand sons of Yahweh governing that nation, walking in purity, loving their enemies, helping those who were in trouble, reaching out and forgiving the world, healing every sick body. I want you to imagine that with me. The goal of Yahweh is the RESTORATION of the Twelve Tribes of Israel. This is the job that we're going to have. They will be the demonstration of the fullness of Yahweh.

I want you to notice where the 144,000 were standing. John saw them standing on Mt. Zion. Where did King David rule from? In Jerusalem. His palace was on Mt. Zion. We are going to be part of that David company when we rise up and rule with the Lamb. These are those who overcome as Christ overcame. Notice that these have their Father's Name written in their forehead. Listen to me carefully. Why does it say their Father's Name is written on their foreheads? Because a name indicates your character. When somebody says your name, immediately it tells your character. They know you by your name and your character.

There's going to be a group of people who had an old character, but they've gone through the change; they've gone through the metamorphosis, and now they're known by their Father's character. Why? Their forehead. That's their mind. Their character has been changed from their old wicked seed, to lambs who say, "Yes, Lord," no matter what! That's what we're moving into. That's why we're here today. Somebody is submitting to the Lamb. Now I want you to notice they're sealed. Why does Yahweh seal the saints?

Throughout the centuries, if you had lived during the days of kings and emperors, they would take their ring when they wrote a letter, and they would seal it with wax. If you got a letter from the king, he was the only one in the whole world with that ring; everybody knew that ring. This represented his seal of authority. Notice that he would press it into the wax. The seal represented the owner, and his authority. This is why Yahweh said to seal the sons of the 144,000. Why? Because He is going to declare them as authentic sons of Yahweh. You have some who say they're sons of Yahweh, and then you've got some whom HE says are sons of His. The seal is going to verify your authenticity by His seal that He put on you. *What seal?*

Do you want me to tell you that when troubles come, when the heavens begin to shake, when men are dying by the millions, and you're walking around untouched, that's a seal that you were authentic.? When no damage can touch you. When nothing can touch you. None of the plagues of Egypt can touch you. When none of Yahweh's wrath touches you, that's because He identified you as authentic. He sealed you with His protection. There will be no deception in those days. If they're dead, they weren't real sons of Yahweh. They're walking around with fire falling all around them, with thunder, with lightning, with scorpions, with death, and they still are untouched. That was the seal that protected the 144,000.

They obeyed His Commandments. They kept His Word. Why were they sealed on the forehead? Careful here. Don't look with carnal eyes. The forehead has always represented the mind of a man. Always. It's the

changing of our mind, or more accurately, the taking of another mind that will bring about the existence of a new character; a new being. Because of that new mind, we will have a New World Order, but not George Bush's World Order: Yahweh's New World Order—the order of the Commandments of the Almighty that He established to use us to establish order in disorder, hope in disarray; making every wrong, right. That's why the new Name is on their forehead. The sons of Yahweh have the seal of the Living God in their minds. The Father's Name is on their foreheads.

They are the First Fruits of an entirely new order of men. These are not men who are animals, these are men who are lambs. They're not jungle beasts, they're domestic, tamed yes-men. They say *yes* in the morning, *yes* in the evening: *Yes, Lord*. They are trained yes-men. If you don't learn to say *yes* now, you'll never say it then. You better say yes to the Sabbath, yes to the Holy Days, yes to walking in a godly character. YES! Do you know who those 144,000 are? They've earned Yahweh's trust. That's why He will have no problem turning His kingdom over to them.

Please hear me as I say this as carefully as I know how. He'll never turn His kingdom over to those men in the ball field over there. Never. Why? They couldn't say *yes* in this life, so they'll never say *yes* in the next one. Do you know Yahweh won't do anything to you if you don't say *yes*? He will let you live out your life. Do you understand? Only when you can obey without fear of consequences, can you truly obey. There's a difference in obeying because you know you're going to get your money. That's fear, that's not obedience.

Obedience will say *yes* if there's no consequence. In the next life, if you couldn't say *yes* in this life, if you couldn't obey in this life, Yahweh wasn't going to do anything to you. You don't ever have to pay Him a dime of your money. You can get by with it all. But true, obedient people will say *yes* if there's no blessing. I hope you heard that. If you're saying *yes* for the blessing, you're still selfish. *Oh, I'm going to go to church and get my blessing*. I'm not. I'm going to go because He said, "Go." *I'm going to get my praise on*. No, He's got angels that do that. I'm going because He said to

go. I'm going to pay my tithes because that's what He said to do. I'm going to, because He said, "Pay Me the first fruit." That's why I'm going to do it. I do it because He said for you to.

That's a new order of people. That's a new breed I'm talking about. Why? *Eat pork. Don't you know you can eat all the pork you want? You'll be alright.* But some folks read in the Word where He said not to. I don't care if He said not to wear the color red; I'm done with it. Until you get in that place, you're not worthy of the seal. Until you get to the place that you are a yes-man, you're not worthy of it. The Bible said *that any man who puts his hand to the plough and looks not back.* Those who have heard this Sabbath keeping message, those who have heard this Commandment keeping message and not looked back, the Bible said they are fit for the Kingdom of Yahweh.

Brother Vaughn, why does it say a 144,000? Didn't I tell you that is not a headcount? How many would like to find out what it is? The book of Revelation is a book of symbols. Why did Yahweh write the book of Revelation in symbols? Because He knew the Church Age would last 2,000 years. What changes with time? Language. There are many examples in your own life. Fifteen years ago if somebody would have told you to go Google it, you would have slapped them in the face. Why? Language changes.

What if somebody told you five years ago to Wikipedia something? *I'll wikipedia you.* Words change. Language changes with time. Generations quit saying certain words. Certain words change, but there is one thing that never changes: symbols. Water always means clean. A candle always means light. Fire always means destruction. Yahweh said a candlestick is a symbol for His Church. Why? We're producing light.

So when you get to the book of Revelation, the first thing we see in chapters one, and two, and three; we see seven angels, which we know are not angels. They are messengers: preachers and pastors, ministers, not angels. And then John said he saw Yahshua walking in the midst of the seven

golden candlesticks, walking between them, holding seven stars in His hand. And he tells you the meaning of every symbol. How many of you know that the Lamb on Mt. Zion was not a lamb? Right. You have no problem seeing those symbols. Why is it when you get to the number 144, you want to go literal? Right?

The next thing I want you to know is the number 144. You are asking the wrong question when you ask, *Who are they?* The correct question should be *what* is 144? Not *who*, but *what*. Ladies and gentlemen, the number 144 is simply the number 12 multiplied by 12. The mystery is solved. If you want to know what 144 means, all you've just got to do is to find out what 12 means. We just solved the 2,000 year mystery. Anybody who knows math, understands something called *to the highest power*. You can take a number to its highest power. To do that, you multiply that number by itself. So if you multiply the number twelve, the highest you can bring it is if you multiply it by twelve, and you come up with 144.

Now, we're going to solve this mystery little by little. The number twelve is mentioned 189 times in the Word of Yahweh, and every time it's mentioned, it has to do with one thing: Divine Government and Order. First example: the Twelve Tribes of Israel. Why not thirteen tribes? Why not eleven? Because, for the tribes of Israel to be a divine government, it had to be twelve.

Then we get to the twelve cakes of unleavened bread in the Temple. What about the twelve apostles? Divine government in the New Testament, divine government in the Old Testament. And what about the bride in Revelation? She has a crown with twelve stars. What about the gates of the New Jerusalem? How many gates are there to the city? Twelve. How many foundations does that city have? Twelve. How tall are the walls of that city? Twelve by twelve. How many furloughs square is that city? Twelve thousand.

You find twelve everywhere you look. Solomon appointed twelve officers over the Temple. Jacob had twelve sons. Jesus Yahshua was first

introduced at the age of twelve. The breastplate that the priests wore had twelve stones. Twelve times twelve is 144. What you find when you get to the 144,000 is a group of people who've come under the government of Yahweh, so much so that they're completely sold out! They've sold everything. They've submitted to the government of the Almighty Yahweh.

How do you submit to a government? I'm about to tell you. What is a government without laws? How do you submit to a government? You submit to her laws, her authority, her commandments. You don't abuse her grace. Her policemen enforce the law. They might give you grace once in a while, but it's only so you will continue to obey the law. You've got to come under this government. You've got to be twelve in your thinking, twelve in your hands, twelve in your feet, twelve everywhere you go. Twelve on the right, twelve on the left, twelve in front of you, twelve behind you. In all of these things, you must be submitted to the Lord, Yahweh! Twelve in the morning, twelve in the evening. Twelve, Twelve. Twelve. Yes, Lord, I'll say YES.

You've been trying to make it a head count. It's a QUALITY count, to see if you measure up to the measurement of twelve. Come here brother. He's measuring the front. It's got to come up to twelve. He's measuring the back. It's got to come up to twelve. It's got to be Old Testament, and it's got to be New Testament. It's got to be balanced. It's got to be square to be balanced. You've got to measure up. It's not a head count; it's a Heart count. It's a Quality. It's a Divine Government! Twelve by twelve. Everytime Yahweh sets up a government, He's got twelve.

Where do we get the thousand from? How long is the Millennial Reign? A thousand years. So this is a government that is going to reign for a thousand years: a hundred and forty-four thousand—the twelve government brought to its highest power. How is this government going to be brought to its highest power? Are you ready? There's trouble on the left, and trouble on the right. Ready? They're not just living by the New Testament, they've got the Old. They're not just living by grace, they've got the Law. They are Twelve Equally, and that will bring them into a thousand

year reign with Yahshua: the 144,000 during the thousand year reign. The 144,000 is not your number; it's your name, it's your character. Say, *Twelve!* Turn the other way and say, *Government.*

Brother Vaughn, doesn't that say The Tribes of Israel? Oh, yeah. Now before we close, let's talk about Israel. A name means a lot. Do you know that Israel was a person before it was a nation? Who am I talking about? Jacob. Jacob was a liar. Jacob was a con man. Jacob had a history; he had a past. Jacob was known all over the country for his schemes and scams. He was always making a way for himself; never trusting in Yahweh. Jacob was a traveling circus man. He had no character. He was a joke, but successful, because he could make things happen. I'm going to read a little story to you from Genesis. I pray those watching around the world will hear who those 144,000 are.

Genesis 32:24-28 Then Yaaqob was left alone; and a Man wrestled with him until the breaking of day. 25 Then when He saw that He did not prevail against him, He touched the socket of his hip; and the socket was out of joint as He wrestled with him. 26 And He said: Let Me go for the day breaks. But he said; I will not let You go unless You bless me!

I'm tired of blessing myself. I'm ready to surrender. I want YOU to bless me!

27 So He said to him: What is your name? And he said; Yaaqob. 28 And He said: Your name shall no longer be called Yaaqob; that is Supplanter, but it will be Israyl; for you have struggled with Yahweh and with men, and have prevailed.

You will be Israel, and as a prince, you now have authority with Yahweh! The word Israel means Overcomer. Don't you see? Jacob Overcame the Flesh! Don't you know that Jacob surrendered that day? Don't you know that he met with Yahweh, and he had been part of that religious system, but on this day, he surrendered. When Yahweh gets you surrendered, you will

become a prince. Do you know another word for prince? Son of Yahweh. The name Israel was given to him because he became an overcoming son of Yahweh. He left his old flesh nature. He left that government of the sea, which is wickedness, and he surrendered himself to Yahweh and said, *I surrender! I need You in my life!*

He surrendered, and he got a new name. If I read Revelation correctly, the 144,000 are all called Israel. They met Yahweh face to face, and they surrendered as well, and their name was changed to an overcomer, a prince, a son of Yahweh. That's Israel! What did Paul say? "You're no longer a Gentile." He said in times past you were a Gentile, but now you have been grafted into the Commonwealth, the commonality of Israel: the household of the saints of Yahweh. Do you know that Jacob was not the only Israel? He was the first of Israel. He was a prince of Yahweh. He was the first man that Yahweh called out of the world until he changed his nature.

By the river Jabbok there was a great wrestling match. And there's going to be a great wrestling match with you and Yahweh one day. He'll come into your life. It may be through a jail, it may be through a divorce, it may be through losing everything you've got, but there will be a day when you face the Almighty. I'm not talking about the Judgment. I'm talking about this life. When you leave that wrestling match, you will either have won or lost. How do you know you lost? When it looks like you won. How do you know you won? When it looks like you lost. When it looks like you finally just submitted everything to Him, you've won. Like the oldtimers said, "You put it all on the altar, and you walked away, saying *Yes, Lord.*"

He'll change you. When Yahweh changes you, you will become part of Israel. You will be part of the 144,000, not the number, but the quality: those who are not defiled with women, those who have no lies in their mouth; but those who love the truth. The Bible said, "Buy the truth, and sell it not." Hold onto truth as you've never held onto it before. I want to encourage everyone watching me, to change your number from six to twelve. Six is the number of man. Man was created on the Sixth Day. The mark of the beast is six. The seed's corrupt nature is six. But when six

crumbles, it multiples into twelve. You rise from the son of man to the son of Yahweh. You rise from Jacob, to Israel. HalleluYah! HALLELUYAH!

I want to read you two things. I feel like I cannot leave this unsaid, and I have to be very careful in how I say this. All you brothers around the world, please listen to me. Listen to the message. There's something happening in the world today. We are part of a great final move of Yahweh. Why is the Lord not calling all men to repentance right now? Why is there only a handful that He is calling? I beg you to turn in your Bibles with me to Jeremiah. This cannot be left unsaid. What I'm about to read to you is a great mystery that we've not understood before. Thank you, Holy Ghost.

Yeremyah 46:27-28 But do not fear, O My servant Yaaqob, and do not be dismayed, O Israyl! For behold, I will save you from afar, and your seed from the land of their captivity.

Now change the name to what it should be: Israel.

Yaaqob will return, have rest and be at ease; and none will make him afraid. 28 Do not fear, O Yaaqob, My servant, says Yahweh: For I am with you. For I will make a complete end of all the nations among whom I have driven you, but I will not make a complete end of you. But I will correct you with justice, for I will not leave you completely unpunished.

What is Yahweh doing in THIS day? *He's saving the whole world.* Well, you need to listen. What did He just say in verse twenty-seven? I want you to focus on these words: *I will save you O Israel.* He is not saving the whole world. He is not talking to Judah right here. He is talking to Israel. He said, *nations among whom I've driven you.* They're afar off. They've been scattered to the nations afar off. What happened to Israel is that they began to identify with Gentiles. They lost their identity. They thought they were Gentiles. They lived among Gentiles. It would be like white folks moving to the ghetto. You can put braids in your hair all you want. What begins to happen, is that you identify as ghetto. It's like in the *Fresh Prince of Bel-Air*

when he moved into the suburbs from the ghetto. He began to identify with another culture.

When Israel moved among the Gentiles, they were calling themselves Gentiles. The Holy Ghost came, to reach those who were *afar off*. That's one verse. Now let's go to the book of Micah. I'm going to show you Yahweh's plan. It's going to be different, but it's vital. You need to understand the ministry of Yahshua was to save Israel, not even the Jews, but Israel. Don't you get that? Do you not know that Paul says that Yahweh Himself blinded the eyes of the tribe of Judah? Why? So that He could go for the other tribes that were afar off outside the city.

Micahyah 5:3 Therefore, He will give them up, until the time

Give up who? He's going to give up Israel. He's going to let those ten tribes scatter into the United States, into Mexico, into Africa, into Great Britain. He's going to give them up. He's going to let them think they're lost *until the time*. He's a God of TIME. There's an appointed time. If I read the book of Acts right, it was when the Day of Pentecost was fully in the time.

that she who is labor has given birth; then the remnant of His brothers will return to the children of Israyl.

Not ALL of the Israelites shall return, but a REMNANT; a portion of those who are far off will return WHEN THE TIME IS RIGHT.

Now please follow me ladies and gentlemen to the book of Acts, chapter two. Let's read our favorite verse. I bet you don't know what verse I'm going to: thirty-eight. Let's read.

Acts 2:38-39 Then Kepha said to them; Repent, and be baptized, everyone of you, in the Name of Yahshua Messiah for the remission of sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Do you know what's funny about Peter's message? He never one time said to give your heart to the Lord. He is preaching a salvation message but he never one time said, "Confess the Lord Jesus Christ and you will be saved." He never one time said, "Let's ask Jesus into our hearts." Not once did he say it. Do you know what he said? *Quit Breaking The Commandments!* He said, *Repent!* What do you think repent means? STOP Breaking The LAW. Saying *I'm sorry* isn't repentance. If you're cheating on your wife, you can be sorry all you want, but why don't you quit doing it? Repent! Turn around from lawlessness! You want to hear a gospel message? Keep the Commandments.

39 For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off—as many as Yahweh our Father will call.

Brother Vaughn, He's preaching to the whole world! Let's see exactly who he's talking to. Where was he when he was preaching? He was in Jerusalem, and it was the Feast of Pentecost. Isn't that funny that so many Christians say that Jesus did away with the Feasts? This is fifty days after Jesus Yahshua died, and ten days after He went to heaven, guess where they all were? Keeping the Feast. I can't understand the ignorance of this world, but I used to be that ignorant. How can you say Yahshua did away with the Feasts, when the Holy Ghost fell on the Feast?

This promise was made in Jerusalem. Who came to Jerusalem? The Jews who kept the Feast. Not the House of Israel. They didn't even know to keep the Feasts. They forgot the Feasts, just like your church has. So the Jews from every nation are in Jerusalem. That's the House of Judah and Benjamin. They were in Jerusalem. So who is Peter preaching to? He's not preaching to Americans. He's preaching to the Jews first. He said, "His promise of the Holy Ghost is to *you, and to your children.*"

But he's not through with just the Jews. He also says it's also for another group of people: Israel—*those who are afar off*. He's not through, because he knows why Yahshua came. I just read to you in Jeremiah that Yahweh gave a prophecy about the Israelites that were afar off. Now who's the next

group that He's going to go for? Those afar off! He's going for those lost tribes: some of them are in America, some are native American, some of them are in Africa. That seed is scattered around the world, and the Holy Ghost is going to start searching for the SEED of Israel. And you wonder why He called you. He KNEW who you were!! You were scattered!

Oh Brother Vaughn, what about the last part? That must mean the whole world! I read to you in Micah where only a remnant of those afar off will be called. AS MANY as the Lord shall call. Not all of them. Some of you have family members who are the lost tribes but they've not been called. He chooses who He will call! He called you, because He knew your identity. This is your time now. *Brother Vaughn, can you prove this in the Bible?* You know I can. Look at me; I'm going to tell you Yahweh's three-step plan. Let's read Acts, chapter fifteen, and start in verse fourteen.

Acts 15:14 Yahweh's Prophets have declared from the beginning how Yahweh will visit the nations, to take out of them a people for His Name.

He went to the Gentiles! To save all of them? He went to the Gentiles to call them all to salvation? What did He do? Take out of them a people OF His Name. He went to the Gentiles because the people who were called by His Name—Israel—were scattered among the Gentiles, and He went to take out of the Gentiles, the people of Israel; the ones of His Name, the ones He had claimed in the Beginning. Israel. First He went to the Gentiles, but we act like He went to the Gentiles to have a world wide salvation campaign. No. That comes during the Millennium. Yahshua's going to preach His Own Revival when they all come. The Bible says *every knee is going to bow, and every man will confess Yahshua is Lord*. You have to get the timing right. Get yourself ready for the government right now. What happens next?

15 And to this the words of the prophets agree, as it is written: 16 After this,

After what? After He visits the Gentiles. That's what He's doing right now. He's visiting the Gentiles. He's visiting America, isn't He? He's visiting China. And the Holy Ghost is visiting Africa. But what's He doing in those nations? Searching for the saints. Calling them out. He's calling out a REMNANT right now. He needs the 144,000 right now and He's calling out a government, and they happen to be here in America. He's looking for them. After He's done with this part, phase one, He's going on to plan number two. Read.

I will return and will rebuild the tabernacle of David that has fallen down. I will rebuild its ruins, and I will set it up,

The Tabernacle of David. Let's talk about that. What tribe did David come out of? Judah. What people were Judah? The Jews. So, the Tabernacle of David is the FAMILY of David: the Jewish people. After He is done with finding the remnant in phase one, then He's going to the tribe of Judah. When? When He returns. The Bible said that all of the Jews would be saved in one day. They will look upon their Messiah, and they will see that they crucified Him. They will say, "Did we do this to You?" He will say, "You did," and they will fall on their knees and ask for forgiveness. Why? The blinders will be off. Right now, they're blind, because He's searching for the Lost Tribes now. He's not worried about the Jews right now. He's going to get them when they come up out of the grave and in one day, the nation will be born.

Brother Vaughn, they all have to believe in Jesus. Yes. At the right time. After He pulls you out, then your day is over with. The fullness of the Gentile will be complete. Your day is over. It's done. Now revival goes to the Jews. Surely that's the end of the plan. No. That's not even the best part. He tells you the next step in getting all His creation back. What happens after He visits you? What happens after He turns back to the Jews? Are you ready? Read.

17 So that the rest of mankind may seek Yahweh—all the Gentiles upon whom My Name is called, says Yahweh, Who does all these things.

Now I'm going to turn to all the Gentiles, the rest of men, after I've gotten the elect out, after I've called the Lost Tribes, and after I've gone back to the Jews. Then, during the Millennium Reign, I'm going to turn to the rest of men, that ALL the Gentile nations, everyone of them, that they might believe in Me, and bow down and CALL ME LORD! But before He can get them, He has to get us ready to minister in the Millennium. Praise Yahweh!

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