

# ISRAEL'S 144,000

## BIBLE REFERENCE GUIDE #10

A most amazing parallel exists between what happened to ancient Israel on a literal and local scale and what will happen to the Christian church—Spiritual Israel—on a worldwide scale in the last days.

### NOTE THESE PARALLELS

#### ANCIENT ISRAEL

Jer. 50:33, 34  
Dan. 3:13  
Dan. 4:30  
Jer. 51:13, 14  
Isa. 44:27, 28  
Jer. 51:6–8  
Isa. 45:1  
Isa. 41: 2, 25

Persecuted by Babylon  
Forced to worship image  
Called Babylon the Great  
Babylon sits on many waters  
Rescued by drying up Euphrates  
Called out of Babylon  
Rescuer called “the anointed”  
Both rescuers from the “east”

#### SPIRITUAL ISRAEL

Rev. 17:6  
Rev. 13:15  
Rev. 17:5  
Rev. 17:1  
Rev. 16:12  
Rev. 18:4  
Dan. 9:25  
Matt. 24:27

**Revelation 7:1–4** Only those who have been sealed will be numbered with the 144,000.

**Revelation 14:1–5** Only those in whose mouths there is no guile will be sealed.

**2 Corinthians 5:20** We are to live our lives as ambassadors for Jesus Christ.

**1 John 3:22** As Christians, we keep God’s commandments and do those things that are pleasing in His sight.

**Hebrews 12:1** As we “run” the Christian race, we lay aside the “weights” that hold us back.

**1 John 5:4** Our Christian faith overcomes the world.

**1 John 2:15** “Love not the world, neither the *things* that are in the world.”

**1 Peter 2:9** As Christians we are to be a *peculiar* people.

### CHRISTIAN LIFESTYLE

#### **THINGS WE LISTEN TO:**

**Mark 4:24** Jesus said, “Take heed what you hear.”

**Proverbs 18:15** Ears of the wise seek *knowledge*.

**Proverbs 23:12** Again, we are to listen to that which gives knowledge and *wisdom*.

#### **THINGS WE SEE:**

**Isaiah 33:15, 16** Those going to heaven are those who stop listening to and seeing murderous bloodshed and other evil.

- Proverbs 23:26** Our eyes should observe the Lord's ways (i.e., things that are good and wholesome).
- Ezekiel 20:7** We are to cast away anything that is an abomination to our eyes.
- Psalms 101:2, 3** We are to walk within our house with a perfect heart by not setting wicked things before our eyes.
- Psalms 119:37, 38** We are to turn from seeing vanity and instead have God's Word established in our hearts.
- 2 Corinthians 3:18** We are changed into the things we behold.
- Philippians 4:8** Whatsoever things are true, honest, just, pure, lovely, good report, with virtue and praise, think on these things.

***THINGS WE WEAR:***

- Genesis 35:1–3** When God's people were consecrated to Him, they put away all "strange gods."
- Genesis 35:4** The result was that Jacob's family put away their adornments.
- Exodus 33:4–6** After worshipping the golden calf, God called for a revival and asked His people to take off their ornaments.
- 1 Timothy 2:9** Again our dress is to be modest, without "broided hair" (meaning plaited—a custom of weaving gold strands, pearls, and beads into the hair) or gold, pearls, and costly array.
- 1 Peter 3:3, 4** Our adorning is to be modest, not with gold, pearls, and costly array, but with a meek and quiet spirit. It is the *inner character* that is valuable to God.
- Titus 2:11–14** As the church looks for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of Jesus, they allow God to purify them in all things as a *peculiar* people.