

### 1. The seal of the living God

- a) Revelation 7:1-4 When does this angel ascend from the east, having the seal of the living God?
- b) What is the significance of the fact that the servants of God are sealed in their foreheads? Revelation 14:1-2
- c) Are any sealed who have not first been sealed by the Holy Spirit? Ephesians 4:30, Revelation 7:3
- d) What is the relationship between this sealing process and obedience to the commandments of God? John 14:15-17, Acts 5:32, Revelation 14:12
- e) Which of the Ten Commandments is central to this sealing process? (All of them, but especially the 4th) Revelation 14:7, Exodus 20:8-11

### 2. A call for steadfast endurance

- a) Why is there a call for steadfast endurance (patience) for the saints of God in the last days of earth's history? Revelation 14:12a, Matthew 24:4-13, 1 Peter 5:8-11
- b) Share a challenging time when you were very aware of the need to demonstrate steadfast endurance.
- c) What are the identifying characteristics of the saints of God who endure to the end? Revelation 14:12b
- d) What is the relationship between "faith in Jesus" and "the faith of Jesus"? John 6:38, Luke 23:46

### 3. Prophecies of persecution

- a) Prophecies of Jesus – Matthew 10:21-22a, John 16:2
- b) How does the Book of Revelation expand on the prophecies of Jesus recorded in the Gospels? Revelation 13:11-15
- c) Who is this two-horned beast coming up out of the earth?
- d) What is the connection between this two-horned beast and the beast described in Revelation 13:1-10
- e) How is it possible for a government that was based on religious freedom to engage in intense persecution of the saints who refuse to disobey the commandments of God?
- f) What indications are you seeing around you that this prophecy is soon to be fulfilled?

### 4. Redeemed from the earth

- a) What are some important characteristics of those redeemed from the earth? Revelation 14:1-5
- b) Is 144,000 a literal number or symbolic?
- c) How can we be certain we will be part of this number? 1 John 5:11-13, Revelation 7:13-17
- d) What are some precious promises given to the saints who determine to endure to the end? Romans 8:1-4, Ephesians 2:8-10, Colossians 1:27-29, etc.

