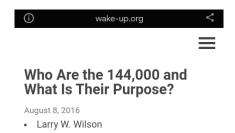




WHO ARE THE 144,000 AND WHAT IS THEIR PURPOSE?

By Keith Frank

As stated in the post title page, I wanted to explain the question about the role of the 144,000, particularly as it relates to all Christians in these end times. In doing so, I am using excerpts from a Wakeup.org article entitled "WHO ARE THE 144,000 AND WHAT IS THEIR PURPOSE?" By Larry Wilson. Along with important information about the 144,000 I will include my own 'Personal Notes'. Thank you and God bless you.





Excerpt (1)

Jesus is waiting for the appointed time of the end to arrive (**Daniel 8:19**); the time set by the Father. (**Acts 1:7**) When we approach the day that is 1,335 days from the end of the sixth millennium of sin, the 144,000 will be selected and sealed. Then, the delay imposed in **Revelation 7:3** will end – right on time. God's judgments will begin on time. Jesus is waiting on the "Grand-Father's" clock to chime and when it does, He will declare the delay is over (**Revelation 10:6**) and the four winds of His wrath will be released.

PERSONAL NOTES:

"1,335 days from sixth millennium of sin" (Keith Frank)= 2816 (JEWISH)



2816. kléronomeó

Strong's Concordance

kléronomeó: to inherit Original Word: κληρονομέω

TO INHERIT

2816 /klēronoméō ("to assign inheritance by lot-casting") is used in relation to believers claiming their earthly inheritance assigned (alloted) by the Lord.

NASB Translation

heir (1), inherit (16), inherited (1).

Revelation 21:7 V-FIA-3S

GRK: ὁ νικῶν **κληρονομήσει** ταῦτα καὶ NAS: He who overcomes *will inherit* these things,

KJV: He that overcometh *shall inherit* all things;

INT: He that overcomes will inherit all things and

Strong's Greek 2816

18 Occurrences



Excerpt (2)

REVELATION 8:2-9:21

The six trumpets x = Global Earthquake

1st trumpet = Fiery hailstorms

2nd trumpet = Asteroid impact on an ocean

3rd trumpet = Asteroid impact on a continent

4th trumpet = Ring of Fire erupts – volcano ejecta causes darkness

5th trumpet = Lucifer appears

6th trumpet = Lucifer's four angels kill one-third of mankind

7th Trumpet

The sealing of the firstfruits (144,000) and the numberless multitude that follows occurs during the appointed time of the end because the sealing "of the living" is the last phase in the judgment bar of Christ. In other words, after a person passes the test of faith, that person will be mysteriously transformed and sealed with the seal of God. WHEN THE LAST SAINT IS SEALED, "THE MYSTERY OF GOD" WILL BE COMPLETED - JUST BEFORE THE **SEVENTH TRUMPET SOUNDS. (REVELATION 10:7)**

PERSONAL NOTES:

ASHERRESEARCH.CODE.BLOG= **2256** (REVERSE ENGLISH SUMERIAN)



2256. hémiórion >

Strong's Concordance

hémiórion: half an hour

Original Word: ἡμιώριον, ου, τό

HALF AN HOUR

NASB Translation

half an hour (1).

Englishman's Concordance

Revelation 8:1 N-ANS

GRK: οὐρανῷ ὡς ἡμιώριον

NAS: in heaven for about half an hour.

KJV: about the space of half an hour.

INT: heaven about half an hour

Strong's Greek 2256

1 Occurrence





Excerpt (3)

Women of the 144,000

Some people read the phrase, "[they] did not defile themselves with women, for they kept themselves pure" and conclude the 144,000 will be male virgins. Are women inherently defiling? Of course not! The Bible says the sexual experience between a man and woman within the confines of marriage is neither defiling nor immoral. (Genesis 1:28; 1 Corinthians 7:5; Hebrews 13:4) Other people say the 144,000 will be Jewish males that have not been sexually immoral with women. Look again! This text does not imply the 144,000 will be males! Women can defile themselves with women! (Compare Leviticus 18:22 with Romans 1:26.) Certain groups of Christians interpret this verse to mean the 144,000 will be members of their particular church – which, they believe, is the only church on Earth possessing the truth about God. This conclusion is based on a faulty understanding of the harlot's identity in Revelation 17:5. The Bible says, "This title was written on her [the harlot's] forehead: Mystery Babylon the Great the Mother of Prostitutes and of the Abominations of the Earth." (insertion and italics mine) Several Protestant churches believe (or used to believe) the Roman Catholic Church is the great harlot of Revelation. As such, this makes the Catholic Church "the mother of prostitutes," that is, the mother of apostate Protestantism. Of course, the irony of this view is that advocates are convinced their church is not a daughter of "the harlot." Therefore, they conclude the 144,000 must originate from within their church, which they believe is the only remaining true church on Earth! As you can see, this view is completely consistent with the egocentric nature of man's religion. Every religious system claims to know God best. The arrogance and ignorance of religion is difficult to measure. Beneath the surface, there is a much deeper meaning to the phrase, "[they] did not defile themselves with women, for they kept themselves pure." This phrase is not about sexual immorality; but rather, it is a phrase describing the devotion of the 144,000 to serve the Lord. Rule Three of apocalyptic prophecy says that we should examine parallel language in the Bible to determine the intended meaning of this phrase. In so doing, we will find this specification to be a superlative statement about the devotion of the 144,000 to the Lord. With this thought in mind, please consider a few words about God's original purpose and mission for the twelve tribes of Israel.

PERSONAL NOTES:

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(15 letters, 3 words)

"RITA LADELL FRANK" = 144 (English Ordinal)

R I T A 48 L A D E L L 46 F R A N K 50 144
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GRACE NISHIDHA REVELATION 7:4= 144 (REVERSE FULL REDUCTION)





Excerpt (4)

Women and Family

As a group, the 144,000 will be scattered all over the world. Many of them will be married and their spouses may or may not love the Lord as they do. The phrase, "they did not defile themselves with women, for they kept themselves pure" means their spouses will not compromise the 144,000. Their devotion to God will be pure. The 144,000 will, like Abraham, be willing to slay their only son if God were to command it. This kind of devotion to God is uncommon. This is why the Bible exalts the 144,000 saying, "they kept themselves pure – as in pure devotion." If necessary, the 144,000 will abandon their families to serve God – and we can be sure that many of the 144,000 will be abandoned by their families for this reason. Jesus said, "A man's enemies will be the members of his own household. Anyone who loves his father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; anyone who loves his son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me."

PERSONAL NOTES:



KEITH FRANK CONFIRMED 144,000 (Asher)

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(11 letters, 2 words)

"Jesus Christ" = 151 (English Ordinal)

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Jesus Christ 77

10 5 19 21 19 3 8 18 9 19 20
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151. Adoram >

Strong's Concordance

Adoram: an Israelite leader Original Word: בּוֹלָת

AN ISRAELITE LEADER

NASB Translation

Adoram (2).



Excerpt (5)

Sin and Evil

Consider the following scenario: Because the 144,000 are declared "firstfruits," the judgment of the living will begin with the 144,000. After they are tested and judged, their carnal nature will be mysteriously and miraculously removed. Then, the 144,000 will be "sealed" with sinless natures - having no propensity or attraction toward rebellion against God. In fact, they will have a distinct repulsiveness toward sin. The 144,000 will be the first to receive what Adam and Eve lost when they sinned. The good news is that each person who receives the testimony of the 144,000 and passes the test of faith will also experience "the transforming mystery of God" and receive the seal of God! After each person is sealed, the struggle with the carnal nature will be over! Sin will be repulsive and unnatural. Paul knew this transition was coming, even though he did not know exactly when. He wrote, ". . . The time is coming, declares the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the [whole] house of Israel [the ten tribes that lived in the north] and with the house of Judah [the two tribes that lived in the south]. It will not be like the [bilateral] covenant I made with their forefathers [in Exodus 19] when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because [of their carnal hearts] they did not remain faithful to my covenant, and I turned away from [rejected] them, declares the Lord. This is the [everlasting] covenant I will make with the house [twelve tribes] of Israel after that time [the years allotted for the duration of sin], declares the Lord. I will [transform their hearts and minds and] put my laws in their minds and write them on their hearts [so there will be no rebellion toward me within their body]. I will be their God, and they will be my people. No longer will a man teach his neighbor, or a man his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' because they will all [personally] know me, from the least of them to the greatest. For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more. By calling this covenant 'new,' He [God] has made the first one obsolete; and what is obsolete and aging will soon disappear." (Hebrews 8:8-13, insertions mine)

PERSONAL NOTES:



FREDERICK WILLIAM FRANZ= 958 (SATANIC)

958. Beniamin >

Strong's Concordance

Beniamin: Benjamin, one of the twelve Isr.

tribes

Original Word: Βενιαμίν, ὁ

Part of Speech: Proper Noun, Indeclinable

Transliteration: Benjamin

Phonetic Spelling: (ben-ee-am-een')

Definition: Benjamin, one of the twelve

Israelite tribes

Usage: Benjamin, youngest son of Jacob, founder of one of the twelve tribes of

BENJAMIN

NASB Translation

Benjamin (4).

Revelation 7:8 N

GRK: ἐκ φυλῆς **Βενιαμὶν** δώδεκα χιλιάδες NAS: from the tribe *of Benjamin*, twelve KJV: the tribe *of Benjamin* [were] sealed INT: out of [the] tribe *of Benjamin* twelve thousand

Strong's Greek 958

4 Occurrences



Excerpt (6)

Personal Sacrifice

We have discussed how the 144,000 will be the first among the living to be judged and mysteriously transformed. We know the 144,000 will be "sealed" a few days before the Great Tribulation begins. After they are sealed, the four winds will be released – the judgments of God will begin to fall. Then, 144,000 prophets of God will boldly and fearlessly proclaim the terms and conditions for salvation to a world saturated with ignorance and blinded by religious arrogance. Without regard for the wishes of family members or personal safety, they will speak the Words of Jesus given to them by the Holy Spirit. No lie will be found in their mouths. The testimony of the 144,000 will alienate the religious and political leaders of Earth and all of the wicked.

PERSONAL NOTES:



DEREK PRINCE (Revelation 7:8 - NUMBERS 2:22 - REVELATION 14:3)

■ 273. amemptos ►

Strong's Concordance

amemptos: blameless Original Word: ἄμεμπτος, ον

BLAMELESS

NASB Translation

blameless (2), blamelessly (1), faultless (1), without blame (1).

"And in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God."

REVELATION 14:5



Excerpt (7)

Holy Spirit During the Tribulation

Holy Spirit power will be poured out on all flesh during the great tribulation. The 144,000 will be sealed and the Great Tribulation will begin. For 1,260 days, God's servants will proclaim the Word of God with great power and authority. Signs and wonders will accompany their testimony as in the days of the apostles. (Acts 14:3) Millions of people will receive Christ because of the Spirit enabled and Spirit empowered work of the 144,000. As people submit to the terms and conditions of salvation and pass the test of faith, they will be sealed just like the 144,000 were sealed. The mystery of God, the mysterious removal of the carnal nature, will end just before the seventh trumpet sounds. The problem is that Paul thought he was living at the end of time, during the time of the sealing, but he was incorrect. The first people to be sealed will be the 144,000 and their sealing will come soon.

Summary

The 144,000 are called firstfruits in Revelation 14:4 because they will be the first to be sealed. After they are sealed, a great harvest, a numberless multitude will follow them. The numberless multitude will be sealed during the seven trumpets of the Great Tribulation. The Bible also says the 144,000 will not be defiled by women. This means they will be "married" to their calling, to the service of Jesus, and His call will separate them from their families. They will not be compromised or distracted by familial relations. The 144,000 will be severely tested before they are sealed. The Bible does not indicate how they will be tested, but we can be sure that Jesus will test His servants with the same fiery processes that He has used down through the ages. Because we know something about the life and death tests facing the saints during the Great

Tribulation, we can be sure that Jesus will appropriately test the 144,000 for the challenges they will face on His behalf. At just the right time in Earth's history, Jesus will select 12,000 people from each of the twelve tribes and these "servants" will faithfully respond.

PERSONAL NOTES:



KEITH FRANK CONFIRMED 144,000 (Asher)



KEITH FRANK (December 13, 2021) Daniel 12:2

416. anemizó ►

Strong's Concordance

anemizó: to drive by the wind Original Word: ἀνεμίζω

TO DRIVE BY WIND

Usage: I am blown with the wind (referring to the gentler motions of the air).

Origin of Keith

Keith might be formed from a Gaelic root meaning "the wind" or "wood." The use of Keith as a given name dates to the 19th century.

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CONCLUSION

Although there are countless other excerpts I could have used to highlight the importance of the 144,000 within Larry Wilson's manuscript (i.e., the "144,000's Seal of Authenticity", "Persecution", why the "144,000 are First Fruits" [an excellent interpretation], "Holy Spirit and the 144,000"...etc.), I believe it is best to conclude with 2 of the most important excerpts/topics; Distinction Between the 144,000 and the Numberless Multitude, and God's Purpose for the Twelve Tribes of Israel.

With some inevitable points of debate, ultimately this manuscript is a clear look at who the 144,000 are. Thank you and God bless you.

Excerpt (8)

God's Purpose for the Twelve Tribes

When the Lord called Israel out of Egypt, He said, "You yourselves have seen what I did to Egypt, and how I carried you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all nations you will be my treasured possession. Although the whole earth is mine, you will be for me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. . . .' " (Exodus 19:4-6, italics mine) A priest is someone God has appointed to stand between God and man. (Hebrews 5:1) Israel was to be a kingdom of priests showing fallen man the love and ways of God. This was God's plan for Israel, but His plan never got off the ground. Seven hundred years after Israel left Egypt, the Lord pleaded with Israel, "I, the Lord, have called you in righteousness; I will take hold of your hand. [If you will love me and obey me, I will not destroy you.] I will keep you and will make you to be a covenant for the people and a light for the Gentiles, to open eyes that are blind [to truth], to free captives from prison [of sin] and to release from the dungeon those who sit in [spiritual] darkness." (Isaiah 42:6, 7, insertions mine) These words fell on deaf ears and about a hundred years later, God exiled Israel to Babylon for apostasy. Seven hundred years after the exile, the apostle Paul elegantly summarized God's original purpose for the twelve tribes when he said: "For this is what the Lord has commanded us [the twelve tribes of Israel]: 'I have made you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring salvation to the ends of the Earth.' " (Acts 13:47, insertion mine) We can see from these texts that God's plan for Israel did not materialize, and we know from Revelation 7 that 12,000 from each of the twelve tribes will yet accomplish God's purpose and mission. Now that we have briefly reviewed God's purpose and mission for the twelve tribes of Israel, we should be able to understand God's motive and intent when He declared the following law1: "Do not intermarry with them [the inhabitants of Canaan]. Do not give your daughters to their sons or take their daughters for your sons, for they will turn your sons away from following me to serve other gods, and the Lord's anger will burn against you and will quickly destroy you." (Deuteronomy 7:3, 4, insertion and italics mine) God declared this law just before the twelve tribes entered the promised land. Bible history confirms that Israel essentially ignored this law from the start. Everyone who knows anything about the Old Testament has heard about Samson's love for Delilah who was a Philistine, and King Solomon is widely known as "the man" who had 700 wives and 300 concubines. Notice this text: "King Solomon, however, loved many foreign women besides Pharaoh's daughter – Moabites, Ammonites, Edomites, Sidonians and Hittites. They were from nations about which the Lord had told the Israelites, 'You must not intermarry

with them, because they will surely turn your hearts after their gods.' Nevertheless, Solomon held fast to them in love. He had seven hundred wives of royal birth and three hundred concubines, and his wives led him astray." (1 Kings 11:1-3, italics mine) Foreign wives led Solomon astray, and in turn, King Solomon led Israel into apostasy. Consequently, it became impossible for God to produce a nation of priests because His people had no interest in accomplishing His objectives. Israel had abandoned God's agenda to satisfy its own agenda. About 200 years after Solomon died, God destroyed the ten northern tribes of Israel, and 100 years after that, He exiled the remaining two tribes to Babylon. Ironically, God's wrath against the nation did not terminate Israel's intermarriage with foreigners. During the seventy years of Babylonian captivity, Jewish captives continued to intermarry. God forbade intermarriage, because He foreknew intermarriage with foreigners guaranteed Israel's departure from the purpose and mission for which they had been chosen. Notice how God's law against intermarriage has two sides: From God's perspective, His law would protect Israel from the wayward influence of husbands and wives who wanted to serve other gods. From Israel's perspective, the law was a detriment to the pursuit of happiness because it restricted dating and marriage. Who can reason with two young people in love that they should not marry because there is a law against it? The parents of Samson tried to reason with him, but they could not overcome his affection (or should I say, affliction) for Delilah. In short, this is the dilemma of the carnal nature. God's laws are based on a comprehensive understanding of good and evil and His exalted purposes for us. Our rebellion against God is caused by a heart that is grossly selfish, and our failure to understand the grand purposes for which we were created. In the first month of the Jubilee year of 457 B.C., Ezra, a trusted officer in King Artaxerxes' court, a priest of Israel and a teacher of the Law of the God of Heaven, asked the king to issue a decree permitting him to travel to Jerusalem and finish the reconstruction of the city and the temple. Ezra was devoted to God's service and he eagerly wanted to see his people fulfill God's will. After a lengthy trip, Ezra arrived in Jerusalem and he was overwhelmed with the indifferent attitude of the people toward God and the degenerate condition of Israel. After surveying the situation for himself, Ezra called for the leaders. "After these things had been done, the leaders came to me and said, 'The people of Israel, including the priests and the Levites, have not kept themselves separate from the neighboring peoples with their detestable practices, like those of the Canaanites, Hittites, Perizzites, Jebusites, Ammonites, Moabites, Egyptians and Amorites. They have taken some of their daughters as wives for themselves and their sons, and have mingled the holy race with the peoples around them. And the leaders and officials have led the way in this unfaithfulness.' When I heard this, I [Ezra] tore my tunic and cloak, pulled hair from my head and beard and sat down appalled." (Ezra 9:1-3, insertion mine) "Then Shecaniah son of Jehiel, one of the descendants of Elam, said to Ezra, 'We have been unfaithful to our God by marrying foreign women from the peoples around us. But in spite of this, there is still hope for Israel. Now let us make a covenant before our God to send away all these women and their children, in accordance with the counsel of my lord [Ezra] and of those who fear the commands of our God. Let it be done according to the Law. . . . 'Then Ezra the priest stood up and said to them, 'You have been unfaithful; you have married foreign women, adding to Israel's guilt. Now make confession to the Lord, the God of your fathers, and do his will. Separate yourselves from the peoples around you and from your foreign wives.' The whole assembly responded with a loud voice: 'You are right! We must do as you say.' " (Ezra 10:2, 3; 10-12, insertion mine) Now

that we have reviewed God's law about intermarriage, Israel's history of apostasy and Ezra's solution to intermarriage, we are in a good position to understand the meaning of the phrase, "they did not defile themselves with women, for they kept themselves pure." In summary, the 144,000 will not be corrupted by marriage and they will not fall into apostasy because of their families. The 144,000 will successfully fulfill God's assignment. They will not be deterred by marital conflicts or familial rejection. They will not be compromised. They will fulfill the calling, mission and purpose for which God ordains them. Perhaps the following A/B parallels will clarify this matter: When the time came to resume temple services in Ezra's day, the priests had a choice of abandoning their foreign wives and children if they wanted to serve the Lord. As you might expect, this was very painful. When the call comes to be a servant of the Lord God during the Great Tribulation, the 144,000 will have a choice to abandon their unbelieving families to serve the Lord. This will be very painful. Corporately speaking, Israel never did become "a kingdom of priests and a holy nation," "a light to the Gentiles," or "preachers of salvation" because the leaders of Israel married foreign women who insisted on worshiping idols and offering sacrifices to other gods.

Excerpt (9)

The 144,000 Will be Numbered (DISTINCTION BETWEEN "GREAT MULTITUDE" AND THE 144,000)

Three important distinctions between the 144,000 and the numberless multitude that many people overlook are outlined in verses 9-17. The 144,000 are numbered and the numberless multitude cannot be counted. This feature indicates there will be two distinct groups of people living during the end time, a small group of prophets and a large group of saints. (We have already examined John's distinction between prophets and saints in specification #1.) The Bible indicates the 144,000 will be the firstfruits of the harvest. The Bible also indicates the 144,000 will be God's "servants the prophets" during the Great Tribulation. The Bible says the numberless multitude in Revelation 7 will consist of people who came out of the Great Tribulation. Notice this end time specification: "Then one of the elders asked me, 'These in white robes – who are they, and where did they come from?' 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.' " (Revelation 7:13, 14, italics mine) Since the numberless multitude in Revelation 7 is an end time group of saints (and not a group of saints from all ages) and since the numberless multitude will come from all nations, kindreds, tongues and people, they have to be the end time harvest, because the 144,000 are the firstfruits of this harvest. The third rule of apocalyptic prophecy does not allow the number 144,000 to be symbolic. Rule Three requires the Bible to define the meaning of a symbol if a prophetic element is thought to be symbolic. In other words, if the number, 144,000, is a symbolic number, the Bible has to define the meaning of the symbol. We cannot make up our own meanings to symbols. There are no symbolic numbers in the Bible. God does not use one number to represent another number. Numbers can be used in analogous ways (Psalm 91:7), and numbers can be translated according to the Jubilee calendar (Rule Four of apocalyptic prophecy), but numbers themselves are always literal. Consider the math in this case: 12,000

people are sealed from each of the twelve tribes and this produces a literal total of 144,000 people.

Most important point:

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PERSONAL NOTES:

BOOK OF HEBREWS

Book of the Bible= <u>58</u>

Book of New Testament= 19

Chapters= 13

Verses= 303 (33 numerology)

58+19++13+33= 123 SYMBOLIC #

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