

Crisis Ahead Study Guide 7

Chpt. 14 – The Seal of God

Please read Gen. 15-17; Rom. 4; Ezek. 8-9; Heb. 1:1-3; Rev. 7:1-4; Crisis Ahead, chpt.14.

1. What is a seal? 1 Ki. 21:8; Esth. 3:12; Dan. 6:17. The apostle Paul uses the word in 1 Cor. 9:2 and 2 Tim. 2:19. Explain how this relates to the other texts.
2. In Rom. 4:11, Paul says that the _____ of circumcision was a _____ of the righteousness Abraham had received from God by faith. Explain how this fits our definition from # 1.
3. Was the external, physical circumcision what was important? 1 Cor. 7:19; Gal. 5:6; 6:15. If no, then was there any reason at all for the physical circumcision? Rom. 2:25.
4. What is the seal of God? Does the Bible mention another sign, or seal, that God uses to attest to His authority? Ex. 20:8-11; 31:12-17; Ezek. 20:12, 20.
5. How would you answer the claim that some people make that the Holy Spirit, and not the Sabbath, is the seal of God? Eph. 1:13; 4:30. Please explain.
6. What must the spiritual condition be of all who receive the seal of God? How does this relate to the story of Abraham?
7. Do we know of any people who have already been sealed? Is it possible that there are men and women living today who have already received the seal of God?
8. Is the seal of God a physical mark in the forehead? Explain. (See Deut. 6:4-9; 5:29; Ps. 40:8; Jer. 31:31-33; Ezek. 36:25-27).
9. What universal decree will be passed before all of God's people are sealed? Explain why you think this event takes place before, and not after, the sealing is finished.
10. What events mark the time when the sealing angel finishes his work? Rev. 7:1-3.
11. What will be the determining factor as to whether or not the seal of God is placed upon us? Rom. 4:11, 20-25.