

Title: A heart for the nations
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What will heaven be like?

revelation 5:8-10

⁸ Now when He had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each having a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the **prayers of the saints**. ⁹ And they sang a new song, saying "You are worthy to take the scroll, And to open its seals; For You were slain, And have redeemed us to God by Your blood Out of **every tribe and tongue and people and nation**, ¹⁰ And have made us kings and priests to our God; And we shall reign on the earth."

revelation 7:9-10

⁹ After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of **all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues**, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands, ¹⁰ and crying out with a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

1. Sin scattered the nations

genesis 11:9

⁹ Therefore its name is called Babel, because there the LORD confused the language of all the earth; and from there the LORD scattered them abroad over the **face of all the earth**.

2. God is gathering the nations

genesis 12:2-3

² I will make you a great nation; I will bless you And make your name great; And you shall be a blessing. ³ I will bless those who bless you, And I will curse him who curses you; And in you **all the families of the earth** shall be blessed."

genesis 22:18

¹⁸ In your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed, because you have obeyed My voice."

john 3:16-17

¹⁶ For God so loved **the world** that He gave His only begotten Son, that **whoever** believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. ¹⁷ For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.

3. The harvest is ready

john 4:34-38

³⁴ Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to finish His work. ³⁵ Do you not say, 'There are still four months and then comes the harvest'? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, **for they are already white for harvest!** ³⁶ And he who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, that both **he who sows and he who reaps may rejoice together**. ³⁷ For in this the saying is true: 'One sows and another reaps.' ³⁸ I sent you to reap that for which you have not labored; others have labored, and you have **entered into their labors**."

4. Will you ASK for the nations?

psalm 2:8

⁸ Ask of Me, and I will give You **The nations for Your inheritance**, And **the ends of the earth for Your possession**.

mark 11:17

¹⁷ Then He taught, saying to them, "Is it not written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer for all nations'? But you have made it a 'den of thieves.'"

5. Will you GO to the nations?

matthew 28:18-20

¹⁸ And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. ¹⁹ Go therefore and **make disciples of all the nations**, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.

luke 24:46-47

⁴⁶ Then He said to them, "Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day, ⁴⁷ and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

acts 1:8

"But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

6. Coincidence?

acts 2:5-6

⁵ And there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men, from **every nation under heaven**.

⁶ And when this sound occurred, the multitude came together, and were confused, because everyone heard them speak in his own language.