



# HEAVEN'S POPULATION



# Will Many Be Saved?

- ❑ The majority will be lost.
- ❑ Matthew 7:13, 14; 21-23
- ❑ Think back through Bible history:
  - ❑ 8 saved during the flood
  - ❑ Numbers 1:45, 46
  - ❑ 1 Corinthians 10:1-5, 12
  - ❑ Only a (small) remnant returned from Judah
  - ❑ Romans 11:1-4
  - ❑ Revelation 2:4, 5; 3:15, 16

# Will Many Be Saved?



- ❑ Unfortunately, the majority will not be saved.
- ❑ However, don't think heaven will be sparsely populated.
  - ▣ The Bible teaches that many will be saved.

# Many Will Be Saved!



- Matthew 8:10, 11
  - ▣ Many will come from east and west (Gentiles) to sit with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.
- Hebrews 11:13-16
- Moses and Elijah will be there.
  - ▣ Matthew 17:1-3
- David. Acts 13:22; Romans 4:5-8
- Ezekiel 14:12-14

# Many Will Be Saved!



- ❑ Phinehas found favor before God. Psalm 106:28-31
- ❑ Hebrews 11:39, 40
  - ▣ Who is the “they”? Who is the “us”?
  - ▣ Hebrews 11:32, 38
  - ▣ Many in the OT walked by faith!

# Many Will Be Saved!

- Heroes of the NT:
  - ▣ Don't know much about the saints listed in Romans 16:3-16 except for their faithfulness; and that tells us plenty!
  - ▣ Romans 5:19
  - ▣ Hebrews 2:10
  - ▣ A great innumerable multitude is pictured praising God and the Lamb in Revelation 7:9, 10.

# Any Saved When Jesus Returns?

- ❑ As wicked as this earth is becoming, will there be any righteous people when the Lord comes?
- ❑ I hope I am surrounded by many righteous folks this evening!
- ❑ 1 Thessalonians 4:16, 17
- ❑ 1 Corinthians 15:50-52. God's faithful, who are still alive, will be saved.



# Why Preach This Sermon?



- ❑ I am not preaching this because:
  - ▣ God will overlook everything and only a good heart matters.
  - ▣ All you have to do is repent and be baptized and God's mercy will do the rest.
- ❑ I am preaching this because:
  - ▣ I want to motivate you to a greater appreciation for God's goodness and to devote yourself more fully because of it.

# Conclusion



- ❑ Don't allow this lesson to lessen your effort, but rather to strengthen it!
- ❑ Will many be saved?
  - ▣ No, the majority will not be saved.
  - ▣ Yes, many will be in heaven!
- ❑ Do you need to make your life right?