

The Ultimate Dream

Revelation 7.9-17

the joy set before Jesus Heb 12.2

1. A Global Gathering, v9

➤ *a crowd beyond counting*

John 14.2; Gen 15.5-6

Jesus must be glorified!

➤ *completely representative*

Jesus is for everyone! Is 49.6

maximise numbers 1 Cor 9.19

maximise diversity

2. A Victory Celebration, vs 9-14

➤ *standing - in awe of Jesus v9*

➤ *wearing - God's purity v9,14; Is 1.18*

➤ *celebrating - God's victory v9;
1 Cor 15.56-57*

➤ *proclaiming - God's rescue v10*

salvation is only through Jesus

Acts 4.12

and is all from Jesus Eph 2.8-9

➤ **sparking - creation's worship**
vs11-12

➤ **prompting – profound questions**
vs 13-14

the same route for all:

- personal commitment to Jesus

- enduring loyalty to Jesus

Acts 14.22; Mat 24.12

3. Eternal Bliss, vs 15-17

➤ **unprecedented fellowship v15**
- with God 21.3

➤ **unthreatened freedom vs15-16**
- from God

➤ **unparalleled fulfilment - in God v17**
⇒ *shepherded by Jesus*
⇒ *sustained by his Spirit*
⇒ *soothed by his Father*