



Sermon Discussion Guide

11.04.24 Message | Tyler Myers | Revelation 7:9-12

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

- Revelation 7:9-12 ESV

Message Highlights

- Tyler Myers emphasized that our lives often look perfect on paper, but internally, we might still be losing in spirit. The reason? The gravitational pull of our behaviors isn't aligned with the deeper longings of our souls.
- We are wired to long for peace, joy, hope and love in every nation and language, and only the Lamb of God—Jesus, the saving King—fulfills that longing.
- Gratitude aligns our worth, work, wealth and well-being with the eternal purposes of God. It shifts our perspective from earthly satisfaction to eternal significance.

Rethink Christmas

On Sunday, Tyler discussed how gratitude is not just an emotion but a catalyst for rethinking how we live and give. We are entering our Rethink Christmas season here at Madison Park Church, where, as followers of Jesus, we must combat our fleshly desire to find fulfillment in materialism and consumerism and look to find fulfillment in the redemptive reality that comes through the life-changing work of the Gospel. We have the opportunity to make an impact globally through Brown Box Project, generationally through Student Ministry Scholarships and locally through Benevolence and Unmet Needs. When we embrace gratitude, it leads us to a life of generosity where we respond to God's blessings by giving above and beyond what is expected. As we look to Rethink Christmas, the challenge is to rethink how we invest our time, resources and efforts to make a lasting impact: an invitation to align our lives with God's vision and respond to his goodness by serving our community with a heart of abundance.

Challenge: Consider one area in your life where you can go above and beyond in response to God's blessings. What step of faith can you take this week to invest more intentionally in God's work?



Conversation Starter

What's one thing you are most grateful for right now, and how does it influence your perspective on the holiday season?

Discuss the Message

- How did Tyler's message challenge or affirm your understanding of what it means to live a life of gratitude?
- In what areas of your life do you find it hardest to express gratitude, and why?
- What does it look like to align your worth, work, wealth and well-being with an eternal perspective?

Think Deeper (Does your group understand the passage?)

- What is the significance of the great multitude in Revelation 7:9-12? Why do you think diversity is emphasized in this vision?
- How does the image of the Lamb at the center of this passage point us toward true worship and gratitude?

Think Life Change (Does your group recognize the personal implications for them as individuals?)

- Is there a specific area in your life where you feel the gravitational pull of worldly behaviors? How can gratitude help anchor you back toward God's purposes?
- Reflect on Tyler's emphasis on aligning our worth, work, wealth and well-being with God's Kingdom. What practical step can you take this week to realign one of these areas?

Think Engage (Does your group know how to apply the challenge?)

- How can you cultivate a deeper sense of gratitude within your community or areas of influence?
- What would it look like to help others around you move from temporary satisfaction to an eternal purpose?

Think Kingdom (Does your group understand the overarching Kingdom, that the work we do is bigger than ourselves?)

- How does the passage from Revelation encourage us to broaden our understanding of God's Kingdom? What might that look like?
- Consider the diversity described in the heavenly gathering. How can we embrace and celebrate that in our church community and daily lives?