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Apocalypse Now: The Lion Roars
"Visions of the Church"
Revelation 7
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Revelation 6 and 7 are connected by question and answer. Who can stand in this world of evil? The Christian can stand. The chapters are connected in another way, by the word *seal*. In Revelation 6 the seals are opened by Christ, and the unsealings show the contents of history. The contents are frightful, exceeding the private experience of any single person. In Revelation 7, the unsealings are more than matched by sealings that protect persons of faith from the eternal consequences of historical evil. In parallel visions, John *hears* the number of the sealed as 144,000. When he looks he *sees* a multitude that no man can number, people from every tribe and nation.

