

Revelation 14

Intro:

Chapter 14 consists of a series of pronouncement and visions assuring the reader of the ultimate triumphs of Christ.

I. The 144,000.

1. Mount Zion (a reference to the temple hill)
 - A. Isaiah 8:18 ... From the Lord of hosts, who dwells in Mount Zion.
 - B. Jeremiah 31:6 ...'Arise, and let us go up to Zion, to the Lord our God.' "
2. In a prophetic sense, Zion has reference to Jerusalem as the future capital city of the nation Israel in the Kingdom age
 - A. Isaiah 2:3 Many people shall come and say, "Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, To the house of the God of Jacob; He will teach us His ways, And we shall walk in His paths." For out of Zion shall go forth the law, And the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.
 - B. Isaiah 4:5 then the Lord will create above every dwelling place of Mount Zion, and above her assemblies, a cloud and smoke by day and the shining of a flaming fire by night. For over all the glory there will be a covering.
3. The 144,000 have related to God in a special way.
 - A. Deliverance through the tribulation.
 1. Not one of them has been lost.
 - B. So they have their own song to celebrate this fact.
4. Moses had the song of deliverance from Egypt
 - A. Exodus 15:1-5 Then Moses and the children of Israel sang this song to the Lord, and spoke, saying:

"I will sing to the Lord, For He has triumphed gloriously!
The horse and its rider He has thrown into the sea!
The Lord is my strength and song, And He has become my salvation...
Pharaoh's chariots and his army He has cast into the sea;
His chosen captains also are drowned in the Red Sea.
The depths have covered them; they sank to the bottom like a stone.
5. First fruit of the salvation of the Jew's
6. These are the ones who follow the lamb wherever He goes.
 - A. There is no better place to be than where Christ is!

1. John 10:27 My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:
 - a. "Following" implies that Jesus is going before us.
 2. John 12:26 If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will my Father honor.
 - a. "Follow" implies that Jesus is leading them.
7. They are without fault before the throne of God.
- A. Jude 1:24 Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, And to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy.
 - B. Eph. 1:3-4 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ, just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him.
 - C. Col. 1:21-22 And you, who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now He has reconciled in the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy, and blameless, and irreproachable in His sight.

II. Three Angels Announcements.

1. Angel Preaching the Everlasting Gospel.
 - A. Romans 1:16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.
 - B. Fear God.
 - C. Romans 3:18 "There is no fear of God before their eyes."
 1. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; A good understanding have all those who do His commandments. (Psalm 111:10)
 2. The fear of the Lord is clean (Psalm 19:9)
 - a. 2 Cor. 7:1 let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, *perfecting holiness in the fear of God.*
2. Angel Pronouncing "Babylon the great is fallen".
 - A. Babylon is the city of world commerce.
 - B. Rev. 18:2-3 "Babylon the great is fallen... For all the nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, the kings of the earth have committed fornication

with her, and the merchants of the earth have become rich through the abundance of her luxury."

C. It is the heart of false religion

3. Angel warning not to worship the beast or take his mark.

A. A description of the suffering in hell is given.

B. Blesses are the dead.

1. Better to die than to take the mark.

III. The Harvest Judgments.

1. First Angel.

A. The ripeness is in the sense of withered or overripe (εξε | ραντηε |)..

B. When we think of Jesus reaping we think of salvation.

1. It could be an ingathering of believers from the preaching of the three angels.

2. Second Angel.

A. Here a different word is used for ripe (ε | κμασαν), meaning "to be fully grown" or "in prime condition." The grapes were full of juice and ready for harvest.

B. This is a preview to the battle of Armageddon.

1. Isa 63:1-6

2. Blood.

a. 4ft. high

b. 185 mi.

i. It is the distance from Dan to Beersheba

3. It could be square miles.

a. The valley is about Megiddo is about 185 square mi.