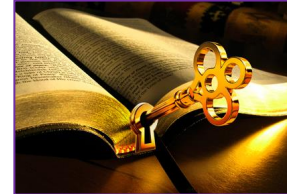




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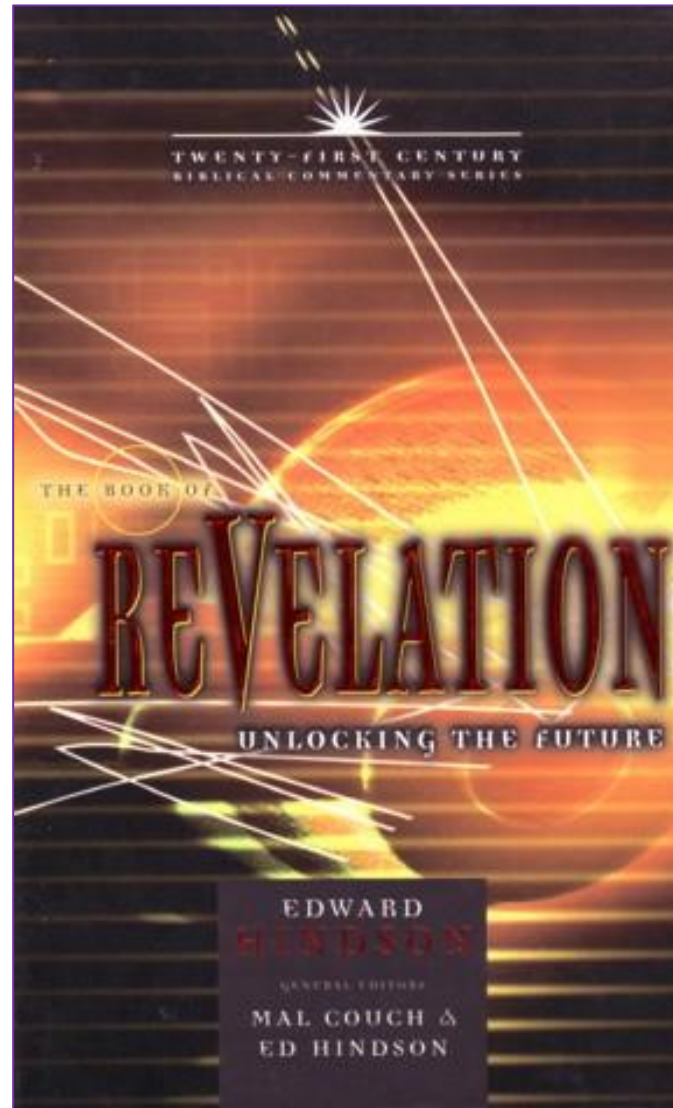
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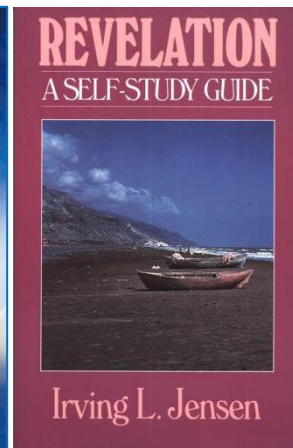
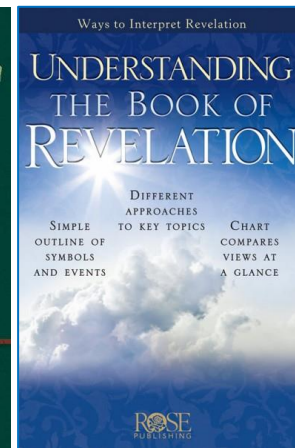
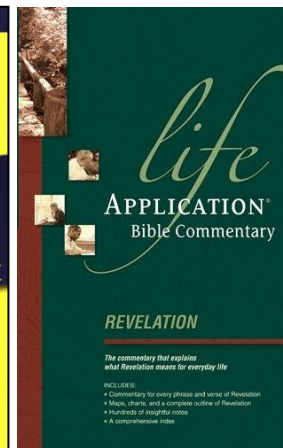
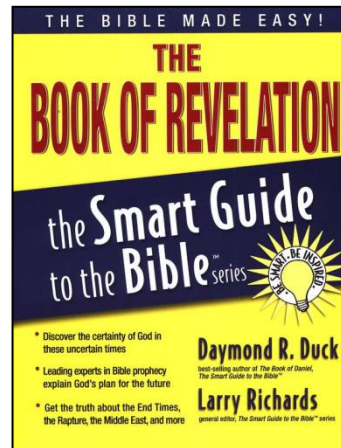
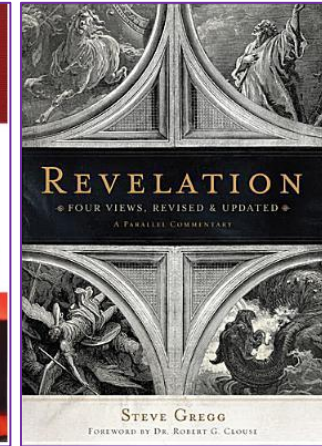
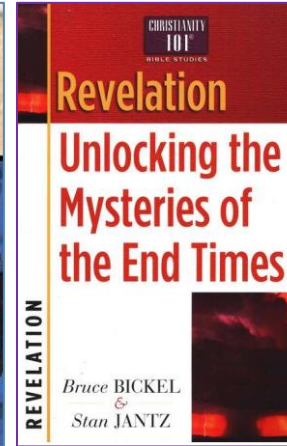
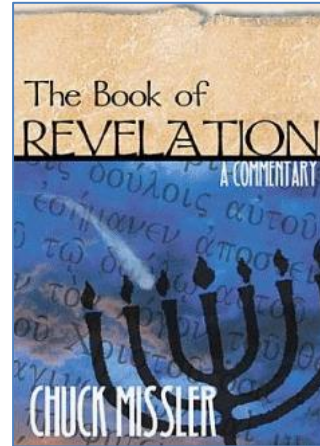
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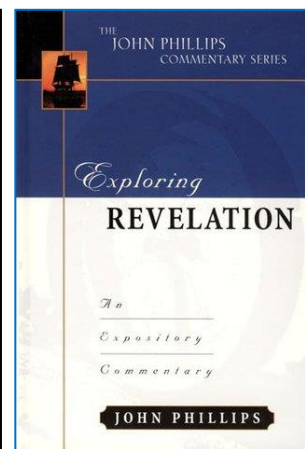
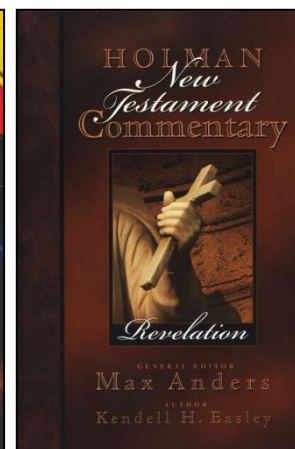
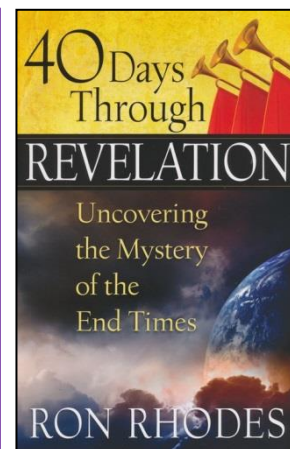
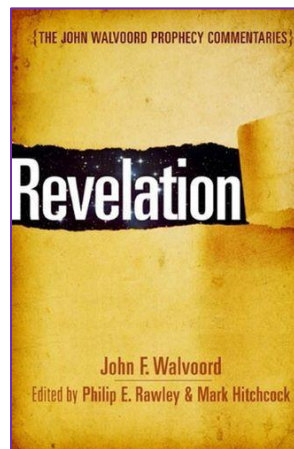
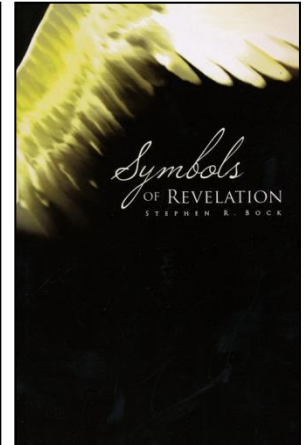
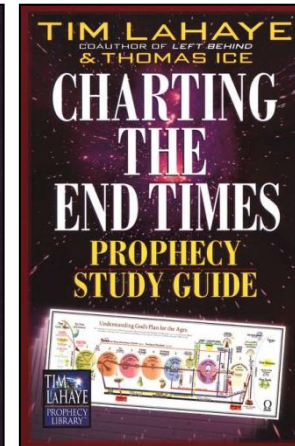
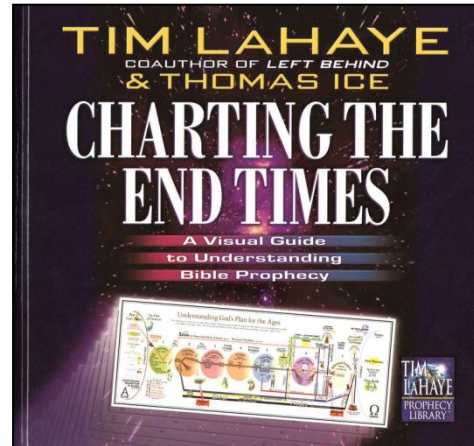


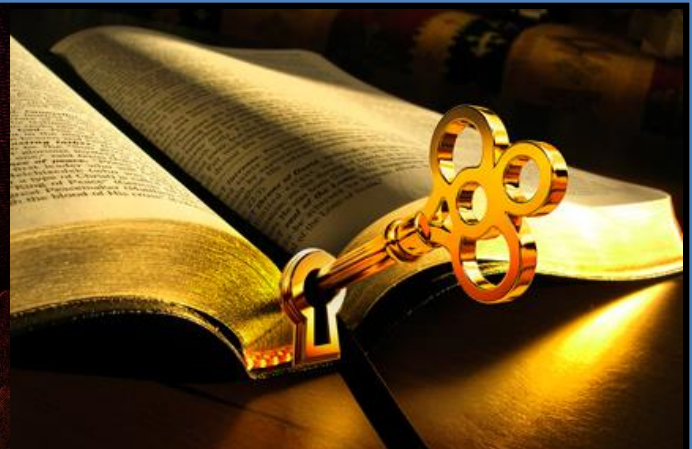
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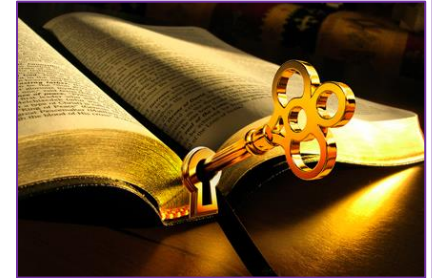
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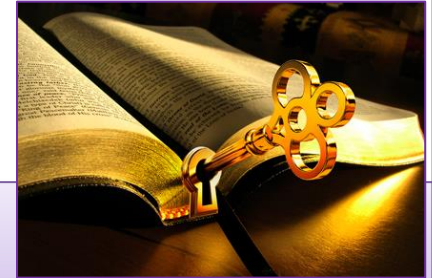
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Chapter Preview - INTRODUCTION

• Preview

Having identified the key players in the eschatological end game, John now reintroduces the drama itself. The everlasting gospel is proclaimed and the fall of “Babylon” is announced. The Son of Man appears to judge the world and to tread the wine press of the wrath of God.



In Revelation 14, John is describing the end of a great drama that explains why the consummation is necessary. This chapter has 4 scenes. The 1st is in heaven, where the perfected 144,000 have arrived to worship the Lamb; the 2nd is in the skies where three angels tell of coming judgment. The last 2 scenes describe Christ's return for His people as a gathering of grain and His judgment on the wicked as a gathering of grapes for treading.

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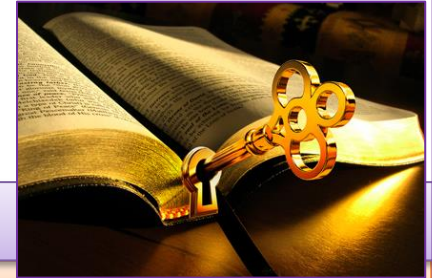
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The Lamb and the 144,000 - Revelation 14:1 - OBSERVATIONS

- **The Lamb** - And the 144,000
 - John see Jesus (the Lamb) standing on Mount Zion
 - With the Lamb are the 144,000
 - Seal in Chapter 7 (Right after 6th Seal Judgment)
 - The Father's name written on their foreheads
 - Contrast with the mark of the beast
 - From Chapter 7 ...

How many of the 144,000 were lost?

- None! When God seals, you are protected!
- Jesus' High Priestly Prayer (John 17)

12 While I was with them in the world, I kept them in Your name. Those whom You gave Me I have kept; and none of them is lost except the son of perdition, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. --- John 17:12 ... NKJV

- Reminiscent of Daniel 3

- Three of Daniel's Friends Preserved
- Where was Daniel? Type of Church.

14 Then I looked, and behold, a Lamb standing on Mount Zion, and with Him one hundred *and* forty-four thousand, having His Father's name written on their foreheads. ² And I heard a voice from heaven, like the voice of many waters, and like the voice of loud thunder. And I heard the sound of harpists playing their harps.

--- Revelation 14:1-2 ... NKJV

Hananiah: Shadrach
Mishael: Meshach
Azariah: Abed-Nego

The Lamb and the 144,000 - Revelation 14:2 - OBSERVATIONS

- **Voice From Heaven** - Sound of Harpists
 - John hears a **Voice from Heaven**
 - Like the voice of many waters
 - Like the voice of loud thunder
 - John hears the **Sound of Harpists** playing
 - Actual sound of harpists playing - not like
 - **Who is playing the harps?**
 - We'll see in the next two verses...

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--- Revelation 14:1-2 ... NKJV

The Lamb and the 144,000 - Revelation 14:3 - OBSERVATIONS

• New Song - Sung by the 144,000

• They sang a new song

- Before the throne
- Before the four living creatures
- Before the twenty-four elders

"Sang Before"
Triplet

- No one could learn the song except the 144,000
 - Special redemption song for the 144,000
 - Not for the Angels
 - Not for the Four Living Creatures
 - Not even for the Twenty-Four Elders (redeemed also)
- The singers and the harp players are the 144,000
 - No wonder the voice from heaven was

Loud!

- Like the voice of many waters ... SINGING
- Like the voice of loud thunder ... HARP PLAYING

• New Song

Psalm 3:3; 40:3; 96:1; 107:1-2; 144:9; 149:1

What is God's favorite song?
Phillips, Craig and Dean

³ They sang as it were a new song before the throne, before the four living creatures, and the elders; and no one could learn that song except the hundred *and* forty-four thousand who were redeemed from the earth.
⁴ These are the ones who were not defiled with women, for they are virgins. These are the ones who follow the Lamb wherever He goes. These were redeemed from *among* men, *being* first fruits to God and to the Lamb.⁵ And in their mouth was found no deceit, for they are without fault before the throne of God.

--- Revelation 14:3-5 ... NKJV

The Lamb and the 144,000 - Revelation 14:4 - OBSERVATIONS

- **The 144,000** - Virgin Requirement
 - Another distinctive of the 144,000
 - They were **virgins** - not defiled with women
 - Remember from Chapter 7 ...
 - There are 12,000 from each of 12 Tribes
 - **Is this virgin distinctive literal or figurative?**
 - Probably both!
 - LITERAL:
 - Jeremiah forbidden to marry (Jeremiah 16:1-4)
 - Jesus' warning (Matthew 24:19)
 - FIGURATIVE:
 - Idolatry = spiritual fornication (Ezekiel 16)
 - Church: Chaste virgin to Christ (Ephesians 5:26-27)

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The Lamb and the 144,000 - Revelation 14:4 - OBSERVATIONS

- **The 144,000** - Follow the Lamb
 - They follow the Lamb wherever He goes
 - THIS SHOULD BE OUR TESTIMONY AS WELL!
 - Redeemed from among men
 - Purchased and sealed by the blood of the lamb
 - Bought with a price - the Blood of Jesus
 - First Fruits to God and to the Lamb
 - Very finest, from expected harvest (Romans 11:15-16)
 - Jesus is our first fruits.

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--- Revelation 14:3-5 ... NKJV

The Lamb and the 144,000 - Revelation 14:5 - OBSERVATIONS

- **The 144,000 - Without Fault**
 - In their mouth was found no deceit
 - Contrast with the Dragon and the Beasts - full of deceit
 - They were without fault
 - They were not taken by “The Lie” (2 Thessalonians 2:11)

11 And for this reason God will send them strong delusion, that they should believe the lie,
 --- 2 Thessalonians 2:11 ... NKJV

- Without fault or blemish since they are clothed with the righteousness of the Lamb.

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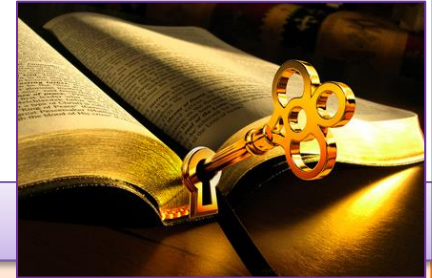
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The Proclamations of Three Angels - Revelation 14:6 - OBSERVATIONS

• First Angel - The Everlasting Gospel

- John sees an angel flying in the midst of heaven
 - Preaching the everlasting gospel
 - To those who dwell on the earth

- Every Nation
- Every Tribe
- Every Tongue
- Every People

- Fulfilling Jesus' prophecy in [Matthew 24:14](#)

14 And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come. --- [Matthew 24:14](#) ... NKJV ... [Olivet Discourse]

- Today the Gospel of Grace is proclaimed by men.

4 Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons, ² speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their own conscience seared with a hot iron, --- [1 Timothy 4:1-2](#) ... NKJV ... [The Great Apostasy]

6 Then I saw another angel flying in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach to those who dwell on the earth—to every nation, tribe, tongue, and people—
7 saying with a loud voice, "Fear God and give glory to Him, for the hour of His judgment has come; and worship Him who made heaven and earth, the sea and springs of water." **8** And another angel followed, saying, "Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she has made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication."

--- [Revelation 14:6-8](#) ... NKJV

Sadly it is difficult to find the true Gospel in many of our modern "mega-church" pulpits!

The Proclamations of Three Angels - Revelation 14:7 - OBSERVATIONS

- **First Angel** - The Everlasting Gospel
 - The Gospel message here is a **Final Call**
 - This is “good-news” for God’s people
 - This is “bad-news” for the rebellious Earth Dwellers
 - **Fear God and give Him glory ... Why?**
 - Because the hour of His judgment has come
 - The awesomeness of God needs to be respected
 - The awesomeness of God needs to be feared

²⁸ Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear. ²⁹ For our God *is* a consuming fire.

--- Hebrews 12:28-29 ... NKJV

Notice the emphasis on worshiping God as the creator of all things.

Let us never forget the awesomeness **nature** of our God!

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--- Revelation 14:6-8 ... NKJV

Omnipotence,
Omniscience, and
All-Loving.

The Proclamations of Three Angels - Revelation 14:8 - OBSERVATIONS

• Second Angel - Babylon is Fallen

- First mention of **Babylon**
 - It will take center stage in **Chapters 17 & 18**.
 - Babylon has been Satan's Headquarters from the beginning.
- The worship of **Semiramis**
 - The female principal in the deity;
 - The fountainhead of false religions.
- Is Fallen, Is Fallen - *"It's certain to happen soon"*
Genesis 41:32 ... Certain (established) and Soon

³² And the dream was repeated to Pharaoh twice because the thing *is* established by God, and God will shortly bring it to pass.
-- Genesis 41:32 ... NKJV

- Babylon is yet to be destroyed as the Bible predicts
Jeremiah 51 [The Utter Destruction of Babylon]
- Babylon will emerge again
Jeremiah 51:7; Isaiah 13:11; Jeremiah 25:15-26; Isaiah 13:19

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Profile: Semiramis

ORIGIN OF THE MYSTERY RELIGIONS OF BABYLON

SEMIRAMIS	NIMROD
<i>Queen of Heaven</i>	<i>Husband</i>
TAMMUZ	
<i>Son</i>	
Mother	Son
Isis	Egypt
Ishtar	Assyria
Isi	India
Cybele	Asia
Aphrodite	Greece
Venus	Rome
Rhea	Babylon
Ashtoreth	Phoenicia
	Osiris
	Bacchus
	Iswara
	Deoious
	Eros
	Cupid
	Zero-ashta (<i>the seed</i>)
	Tammuz
	Ninus (<i>Son/Husband</i>)
	Lamented One (<i>Son</i>)



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Christian minister Alexander Hislop claimed that Semiramis was an actual person in ancient Mesopotamia who invented polytheism and, with it, goddess worship.

He believed that Semiramis was a consort of Nimrod, builder of the Bible's Tower of Babel.

According to Hislop, Semiramis invented polytheism in an effort to corrupt her subjects' original faith in the God of Genesis. She deified herself as Ishtar and her son as Gilgamesh, as well as various members of her court.

The Proclamations of Three Angels - Revelation 14:9 - OBSERVATIONS

• Third Angel - Receive the Mark Warning

- All the Earth is warned not to ...
 - Worship the beast and his image
 - Receive his mark on his forehead or hand.
- Those who choose to ignore this warning will be forever damned.
 - This does not involve the church - it has already been redeemed.
- Those believers who do heed the warning and endure to the end will be saved.

¹³ But he who endures to the end shall be saved. ¹⁴ And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come.

--- Matthew 24:13-14 ... NKJV ... [Olivet Discourse]

⁹ Then a third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, "If anyone worships the beast and his image, and receives *his* mark on his forehead or on his hand, ¹⁰ he himself shall also drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out full strength into the cup of His indignation. He shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb. ¹¹ And the smoke of their torment ascends forever and ever; and they have no rest day or night, who worship the beast and his image, and whoever receives the mark of his name."

--- Revelation 14:9-11 ... NKJV

The Proclamations of Three Angels - Revelation 14:10 - OBSERVATIONS

- **Third Angel** - Warning Ignored

- Those who do not heed the warning will...

- Drink of the wine of the wrath of God
 - Poured out in full strength
- Be tormented with fire and brimstone
 - In the presence of the holy angels and the Lamb

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--- Revelation 14:9-11 ... NKJV

The Proclamations of Three Angels - Revelation 14:11 - OBSERVATIONS

• Torment - Forever and Ever

- Punishment is forever for those
 - Who worship the beast and his image
 - Who receive the mark of his name
- God will not mix mercy with this judgment ... [Psalm 75:8](#)

⁸ For in the hand of the LORD *there is* a cup, And the wine is red; It is fully mixed, and He pours it out; Surely its dregs shall all the wicked of the earth Drain *and* drink down.

--- [Psalm 75:8 ... NKJV](#)

- The Seven Bowl Judgments are coming
- God will righteously judge sin and rebellion.

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--- [Revelation 14:9-11 ... NKJV](#)

The Proclamations of Three Angels - Revelation 14:12 - OBSERVATIONS

• Patience of the Saints - Keep Commandments

- The patience of the saints is marked by
 - Keeping the Commandments of God
 - Keeping the Faith of Jesus
- This prescription is for all saints
 - Old Testament Saints Commandments
 - Church Saints Commandments and Faith
 - Tribulation Saints Commandments and Faith
- **How do we please God?**

¹⁷ But the mercy of the LORD *is* from everlasting to everlasting On those who fear Him, And His righteousness to children's children, ¹⁸ To such as keep His covenant, And to those who remember His commandments to do them.

--- Psalm 103:17 ... NKJV

⁶ But without faith *it is* impossible to please *Him*, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and *that* He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

--- Hebrews 11:6 ... NKJV

¹² Here is the patience of the saints; here *are* those who keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus.

¹³ Then I heard a voice from heaven saying to me, "Write: 'Blessed *are* the dead who die in the Lord from now on.'" "Yes," says the Spirit, "that they may rest from their labors, and their works follow them."

--- Revelation 14:12-13 ... NKJV

² My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, ³ knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience.

--- James 1:2-3 ... NKJV

The Proclamations of Three Angels - Revelation 14:13 - OBSERVATIONS

- **Voice from Heaven** - Words of Encouragement
 - Some scholars believe this voice is another angel
 - The fourth angel of **Revelation 14**
 - John is instructed to write a **beatitude** ...
 - Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on
 - The Spirit affirms the **beatitude** ...
 - Yes, that they may rest from their labors
 - And their works follow them

15 "One witness shall not rise against a man concerning any iniquity or any sin that he commits; by the mouth of two or three witnesses the matter shall be established.

--- **Deuteronomy 19:15 ... NKJV ...** [The Law Concerning Witnesses]

This reassurance is only relevant if they feel they have missed the **resurrection**!

This was the anxiety of the Thessalonians when the Roman persecutions under Nero began, and led to Paul's disclosures in **1 Thessalonians 4:13; Philippians 1:23-26**.

12 Here is the patience of the saints; here *are* those who keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus.

13 Then I heard a voice from heaven saying to me, "Write: 'Blessed *are* the dead who die in the Lord from now on.'" "Yes," says the Spirit, "that they may rest from their labors, and their works follow them."

--- **Revelation 14:12-13 ... NKJV**

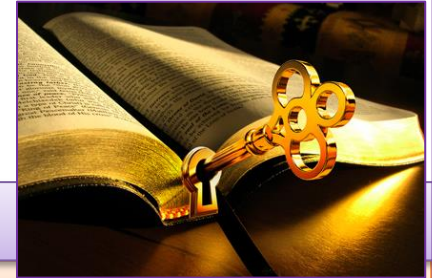
God rewards those who serve Him!

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Reaping the Earth's Harvest - Revelation 14:14 - OBSERVATIONS

- **Son of Man** - On a White Cloud
 - **Who is the Son of Man?** ... Jesus
 - John sees Jesus sitting on a white cloud, having ...
 - A golden crown on His head ... *stephanos*
 - A sharp sickle in His hand ... Instrument of judgment
 - White Cloud

²¹ And the LORD went before them by day in a pillar of cloud to lead the way, and by night in a pillar of fire to give them light, so as to go by day and night.

--- Exodus: 13:21 ... NKJV

⁵ While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them; and suddenly a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Hear Him!" --- Matthew 17:5 ... NKJV [Transfiguration]

⁶⁴ Jesus said to him, "*It is as* you said. Nevertheless, I say to you, hereafter you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Power, and coming on the clouds of heaven." -- Matthew 26:64 ... NKJV [Jesus Before Sanhedrin]

¹⁴ Then I looked, and behold, a white cloud, and on the cloud sat *One* like the Son of Man, having on His head a golden crown, and in His hand a sharp sickle.¹⁵ And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to Him who sat on the cloud, "Thrust in Your sickle and reap, for the time has come for You to reap, for the harvest of the earth is ripe." ¹⁶ So He who sat on the cloud thrust in His sickle on the earth, and the earth was reaped.

--- Revelation 14:14-16 ... NKJV

Reaping the Earth's Harvest - Revelation 14:15 - OBSERVATIONS

- **Another Angel** - From the Temple
 - Another angel comes out of the temple in heaven
 - Fifth angel of the chapter
 - Cries with a loud voice to Jesus on the Cloud
 - Thrust Your sickle and reap
 - For the time has come for You to reap
 - For the harvest of the earth is ripe
 - Some would argue that we are not called to harvest today:
 - This harvest is the end of the world
[Luke 3:8-17](#); [Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43](#); [Joel 3:13-14](#)
 - We are called to sow:
 - To sow the Word of God.

14 Then I looked, and behold, a white cloud, and on the cloud sat *One* like the Son of Man, having on His head a golden crown, and in His hand a sharp sickle.^{**15**} And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to Him who sat on the cloud, "Thrust in Your sickle and reap, for the time has come for You to reap, for the harvest of the earth is ripe." ^{**16**} So He who sat on the cloud thrust in His sickle on the earth, and the earth was reaped.

--- Revelation 14:14-16 ... NKJV

Reaping the Earth's Harvest - Revelation 14:16 - OBSERVATIONS

- **Earth Reaped** - Sickle Thrust on the Earth
 - Jesus thrusts His sickle on the earth
 - The Earth is reaped

13 Put in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe.

Come, go down;

For the winepress is full,

The vats overflow—

For their wickedness *is* great.”

14 Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision!

For the day of the LORD *is* near in the valley of decision.

--- Joel 3:13-14 ... NKJV [God Judges the Nations]

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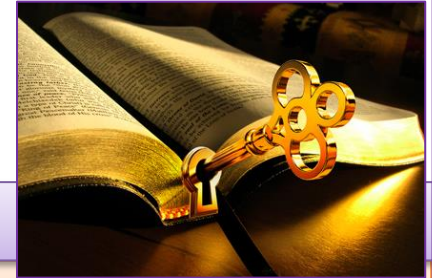
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Reaping the Grapes of Wrath - Revelation 14:17 - OBSERVATIONS

- **Another Angel** - From the Temple
 - Another angel comes out of the temple in heaven
 - This is the sixth angel in the chapter
 - This angel also has a sharp sickle in his hand
 - Sickle
 - Used 12 times in the scriptures
 - Used 7 times in this section
 - Sharp
 - Used 7 times in the book of Revelation
 - Used 4 times in this chapter

17 Then another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle.
18 And another angel came out from the altar, who had power over fire, and he cried with a loud cry to him who had the sharp sickle, saying, "Thrust in your sharp sickle and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth, for her grapes are fully ripe."

--- Revelation 14:17-18 ... NKJV

Reaping the Grapes of Wrath - Revelation 14:18 - OBSERVATIONS

- **Another Angel** - From the Altar
 - Another angel comes out from the altar in the temple in heaven
 - This is the seventh and last angel in this chapter
 - This angel has the power over fire
 - The fire of judgment from the altar
 - This seventh angel cries to the sixth angel
 - Thrust in your sharp sickle
 - Gather the clusters of the vine of the earth
 - For her (earth's) grapes are fully ripe.

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--- Revelation 14:17-18 ... NKJV

Reaping the Grapes of Wrath - Revelation 14:19 - OBSERVATIONS

• Vine of the Earth - Gathered & Thrown into Winepress

- Note this harvest of **verses 17-20** is of grapes
 - Not wheat, as in **verses 14-16**.
 - There, the angels separate the tares from the wheat.
- Gathering of unrighteous
Joel 3:1,-2, 9-17; Isaiah 63:1-6; Zechariah 14:1-3. Isaiah 34:1-3, 6
- There are several vine idioms – the grape harvest is often the idiom for the Day of the Lord (**Joel 3:13**)
- Israel was God's vine, planted in the land to bear fruit for God's glory, but failed and had to be cut down (**Psalm 80:8-16; Isaiah 5:1-7; Matthew 21:3-46**).
- Christ is the True Vine and the believers are branches in Him (**Psalm 80:8; John 15**).

30 "Therefore prophesy against them all these words, and say to them: 'The LORD will roar from on high, And utter His voice from His holy habitation; He will roar mightily against His fold. He will give a shout, as those who tread *the grapes*, Against all the inhabitants of the earth. --- **Jeremiah 25:30 ... NKJV**

19 So the angel thrust his sickle into the earth and gathered the vine of the earth, and threw *it* into the great winepress of the wrath of God. **20** And the winepress was trampled outside the city, and blood came out of the winepress, up to the horses' bridles, for one thousand six hundred furlongs.

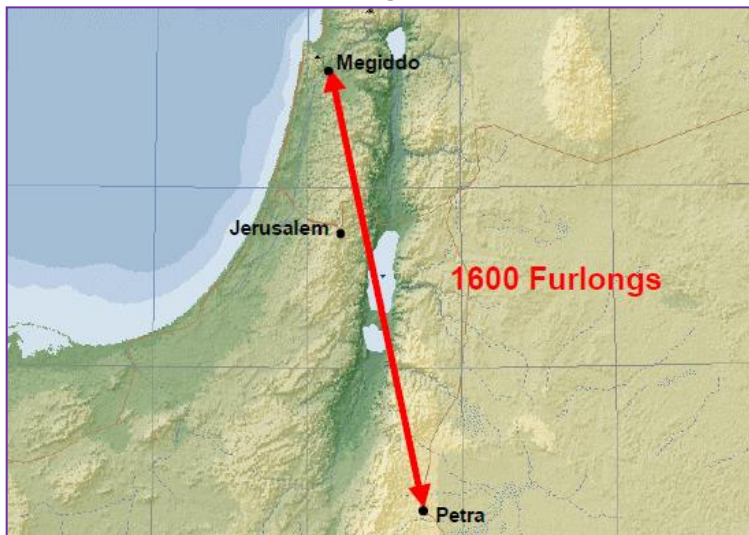
--- Revelation 14:19-20 ... NKJV

5 "I am the vine, you *are* the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing. --- **John 15:5**

Reaping the Grapes of Wrath - Revelation 14:20 - OBSERVATIONS

• Winepress Trampled - Blood Came Out

- Winepress is trampled outside the city
- Blood came up to the horses' bridles
- For 1600 furlongs.
- **How deep is that?**
 - 4 feet deep.
- **How far?**
 - 1,600 furlongs = 180 miles
 - Note 1 furlong = 600 feet.



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This wine pressing is a judgment for apostasy, which **Jeremiah 30** calls "the time of Jacob's Trouble": denying the God of the Old Testament, and the relevance of the Scriptures to their own destiny. We need make no apology for this judgment. Sin is an awful thing. Sin is in the world. You and I are sinners. Christ is the only remedy for us. This judgment will inevitably come upon Christ-rejecters.

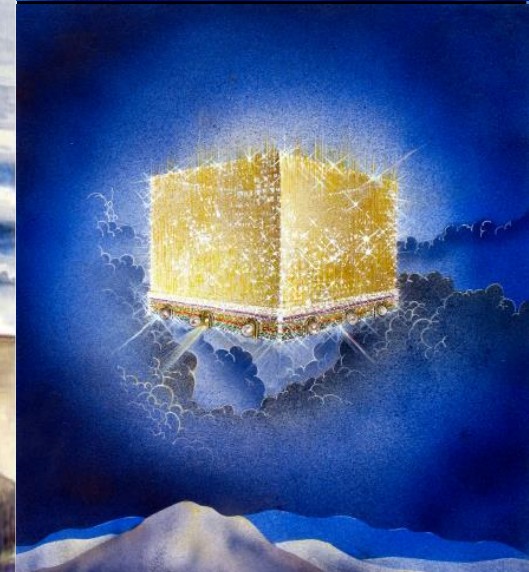


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Blessed is he who reads and those who hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written in it; for the time is near. **Rev. 1:3 NKJV**

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