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Lesson 25 Rev 14 6 to 13 Revelation 14:6-13 (NASB) ⁶ And I saw another angel flying in midheaven, having an eternal gospel to preach to those who live on the earth, and to every nation and tribe and tongue and people; Fe

⁷ and he said with a loud voice, "Fear God, and give Him glory, because the hour of His judgment has come; worship Him who made the heaven and the earth and sea and springs of waters."

⁸ And another angel, a second one, followed, saying, "Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great, she who has made all the nations drink of the wine of the passion of her immorality."

⁹ Then another angel, a third one, followed them, saying with a loud voice, "If anyone worships the beast and his image, and receives a mark on his forehead or on his hand,

¹⁰ he also will drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is mixed in full strength in the cup of His anger; and he will 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 goes up forever and ever; they have no rest day and night, those who worship the beast and his image, and whoever receives the mark of his name."

¹² Here is the perseverance of the saints who keep the commandments of God and their faith in Jesus.

¹³ And I heard a voice from heaven, saving, "Write, 'Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on!"" "Yes," says the Spirit, "so that they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow with them."

B. THE MESSAGE OF THE THREE ANGELS (14:6-12)

<u>14:6-8.</u> John was then given a vision of an angel carrying a message called the eternal gospel. The angel was commissioned to bring his message to every group of people on the earth. Because of the word "gospel," some have felt that this was a message of salvation or the good news of the coming kingdom. The context, however, seems to indicate otherwise, for the message is one of judgment and condemnation. The angel announced, Fear God and give Him glory, because the hour of His judgment has come. So the "eternal" message seems to be a message of God's righteousness and judgment rather than a message of salvation.

The first angel was followed by a second angel who announced that Babylon the Great, which intoxicated others with her adulteries, has fallen. This apparently is in anticipation of the description of that city (see comments on chap. 18).

14:9-12. A third angel followed with another judgment that worshipers of the beast and his **image** who receive his mark will be objects of God's wrath and will be destined for eternal torment along with Satan, the demon world, and all unsaved people. The everlasting character of this judgment is stated plainly in verse 11: The smoke of their torment rises forever and ever, and they will have **no rest**. Those who keep God's commandments and are faithful to Him will need patient endurance (v. 12; cf. 13:10). The doctrine of eternal punishment, though unpopular with liberal scholars and difficult to accept, is nevertheless clearly taught in the Bible. Jesus and the Apostle John say more on this subject than does all the rest of the Bible.

C. THE BLESSING OF THE FAITHFUL SAINTS (14:13)

14:13. After the solemn pronouncement of the third angel John heard a voice from heaven commanding him, Write: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on. To this the Holy Spirit added the promise, they will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them.

This passage is often quoted in regard to God's general blessings on all Christians, but the context indicates that the blessing is especially for those who die in the Great Tribulation. For them it is a blessed release from persecution, torture, and trial and a deliverance into the glorious presence of the Lord.

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Open it

1. If you could get on international television and deliver a 10-second message to the whole human race, what would you say?

Trust in our one true God

Explore it

2. What was an angel dispatched to do? (<u>14:6</u>) having an eternal gospel to preach to those who live on the earth, and to every nation and tribe and tongue and people;

3. What did the angel tell the inhabitants of earth to do? Why? (14:7)

Fear God, and give Him glory, because the hour of His judgment has come; worship Him who made the heaven and the earth and sea and springs of waters

4. What pronouncement did the second angel make? (14:8)

Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great, she who has made all the nations drink of the wine of the passion of her immorality

5. How was Babylon's sin described by the second angel? (<u>14:9</u>) she who has made all the nations drink of the wine of the passion of her immorality

6. What warning did the third angel give? $(\underline{14:9-10})$

If anyone worships the beast and his image, and receives a mark on his forehead or on his hand, ¹⁰ he also will drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is mixed in full strength in the cup of His anger; 7. What would be the consequence of taking the mark of the beast? $(\underline{14:9-10})$

and he will be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb.

8. What words are used to portray God's anger over sin? (<u>14:10</u>) The wrath of God mixed in full strength in the cup of His anger

9. What does the future hold for those who do not believe? (14:10-11)

They will be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb. "And the smoke of their torment goes up forever and ever; they have no rest day and night,

10. How should Christians respond to this sober warning? $(\underline{14:12})$

Here is the perseverance of the saints who keep the commandments of God and their faith in Jesus.

11. What instructions did John receive from heaven? (14:13)

And I heard a voice from heaven, saying, "Write, 'Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on!"" "Yes," says the Spirit, "so that they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow with them

Get it

12. What temptations and trials make it difficult to live for Christ in this society?

The constant bombardment of sex on TV, ads in magazines and on the internet, you are only 3 clicks away from a porn site at any point of a web search. Many time having this happen to me.

13. What does it mean to fear God?To be in awe of His wonderful works and deeds, respect Him as God

14. In what way is it a blessing to die as a believer in Christ? You know where you are going after death

Apply it

15. In what way can you be a witness for Christ today? In your actions, words and daily walk

16. How can you cultivate faithfulness to Jesus in all you do each day?

by you reading and studying of the Bible, a sermon on Sunday and one bible study isn't quite enough you must also study on your own.