

A Study Of The Book Of Revelation

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Resources used:

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- Revelation (Truth Commentaries) by Robert Harkrider
- Revelation (A Study Workbook) by Robert Harkrider
- Revelation by Donnie Rader
- Revelation charts by Keith Greer.
- Studies In The Book Of Revelation by Ferrell Jenkins
- The Old Testament In The Book Of Revelation by Ferrell Jenkins
- The Revelation Of Saint John The Divine by G.B. Caird
- The Book of Revelation by Foy E. Wallace
- The Avenging of the Apostles and Prophets by Arthur M. Ogden
- Worthy Is The Lamb by Ray Summers
- Written exchange on "The Domitian Persecution" between Arthur M. Ogden and Ferrell Jenkins presented in Searching The Scriptures, June 12, 1989, pages 7-12

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II. Christ And The Dragon In Conflict (12-22)

(Deeper Spiritual Meaning)

- A. *War* (12-14)
- B. *Bowls of Wrath* (15-16)
- C. *Fall of Babylon the Harlot* (17-18)
- D. *Victory of God's people* (19-21)
- E. *Warnings about the Book* (22)

Revelation 14

1-11

Victory
from the
vantage point
of the
Christian / Earth

12-22

Victory
from the
vantage point
of
God / Heaven

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"The Victorious Lamb" Outline

- I. The Lamb and 144,000 on Mt. Zion (verses 1-5)
- II. Messages from Heaven (verses 6-13)
- III. Harvest Time (verses 14-20)

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What Is The Point?

Victory and Judgment

Chapter 12 – It's all a battle With Satan


Chapter 13 – Rome (ally of Satan) Fail!

– Paganism, False Prophet

Chapter 14 – God and His people – Victory

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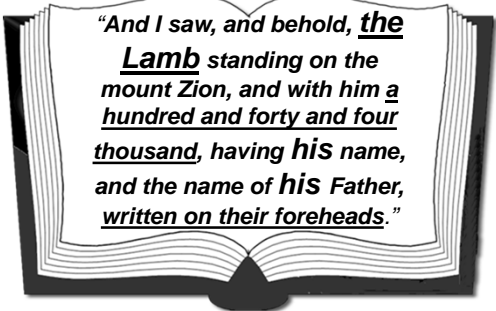
Book of Revelation: Chapter 14



**Christ and His Righteous
Forces**

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Revelation 14:1



“And I saw, and behold, the Lamb standing on the mount Zion, and with him a hundred and forty and four thousand, having his name, and the name of his Father, written on their foreheads.”

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The Lamb and His Own

- **The Lamb**
 - Victorious Christ of Chapter 5
- **Standing on Mount Zion**
 - Heavenly Jerusalem (Psalms 125:1; Hebrews 12:22-23)
- **144,000**
 - (7:1-8) sealed by God for their faithfulness
- **His name**
 - Name carries power (Acts 4:12; Philippians 2:9-11)
- **His Father's name written on their foreheads**
 - John 14:6; Revelation 13:16

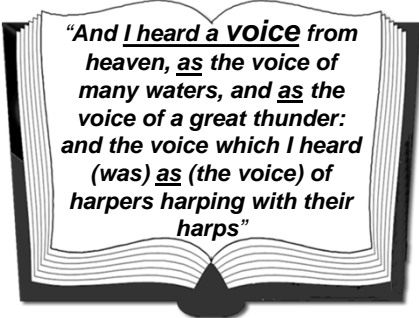
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144,000

- **Not Literal**
 - Seal is not a literal seal (chapter 7)
 - Four corners are not literal corners (chapter 7)
 - Of twelve tribes (chapter 7)
 - Virgins (chapter 14)
 - If already have 144,000 – cannot be 144,001!
- **It is The Idea of Completeness**
 - 12 X 12 (Religious number) Multiplied X 1000
 - Absolute completeness
 - Not one of the faithful will be lost!

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Revelation 14:2



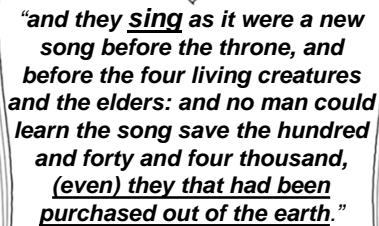
*“And I heard a **voice** from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and the voice which I heard (was) as (the voice) of harpers harping with their harps”*

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A Voice ...

- A voice “from heaven” **LIKE** the sound of:
 - “*Many waters*” (1:15)
 - “*Loud thunder*” (6:1)
 - “*Harpists*,” not only loud but melodious and attractive.
 - Remember, this is **figurative language**

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Revelation 14:3


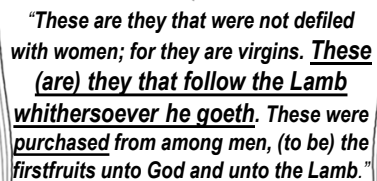
"and they sing as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four living creatures and the elders: and no man could learn the song save the hundred and forty and four thousand, (even) they that had been purchased out of the earth."

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The New Song

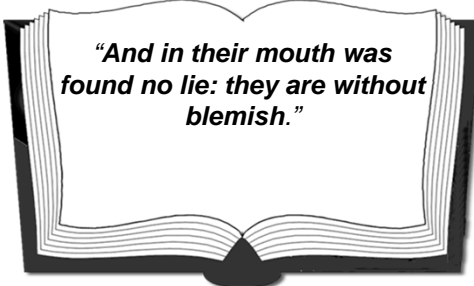
- They were singing a **"new song"**
 - **"Before the throne"**
 - **"Before the four living creatures"**
 - **"Before the elders"**
- **"No one could learn the song except the 144,000"**
 - Only those who had been **purchased** with, and received **redemption** in, Christ's blood! (Rev. 1:5; 5:9)

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Revelation 14:4


"These are they that were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These (are) they that follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were purchased from among men, (to be) the firstfruits unto God and unto the Lamb."

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Revelation 14:5


"And in their mouth was found no lie: they are without blemish."

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A Description of the 144,000

- The 144,000 (Ephesians 1:13-14)
 - Have **names** (Father/Son) upon them
 - **"Were not defiled with women"** (righteous individuals) (2 Corinthians 11:2; 1 Corinthians 6:20; Ephesians 5:11ff)
 - **"Who follow the Lamb wherever He goes"** (1 Corinthians 11:1; 1 Peter 2:21-22)
 - **"Redeemed from among men"** (from the earth) (Acts 20:28; 1 Peter 1:18)

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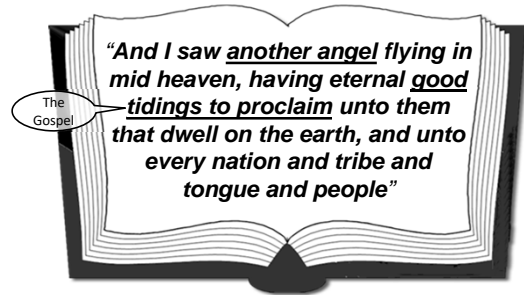
- The 144,000 (Ephesians 1:13-14)
 - **"First fruits to God and to the Lamb"** (James 1:18) figure of harvest acceptable to God – separated for His use (**14:14-16**)
 - **"Free from deceit"** without blemish – Christ is Lord! (Colossians 1:22; Ephesians 5:26-27; Jude 24-25)

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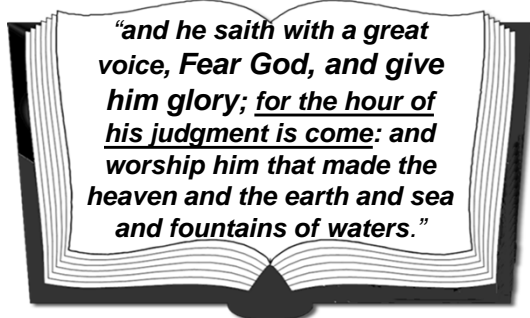
Coming Attractions ...

- Six **great proclamations** ...
- Four **“headline banners”**
- Two **“videos of the sickle of Judgment”**
- **Preview** of what God is going to do...
- God knows what He is going to do; He **“rules in the kingdoms of man!”**
– Revelation 14:6-20 ...

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Revelation 14:6

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Revelation 14:7

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Banner Number 1 ...**Triumph of Righteousness**

- **Eternal Good News – Chapters 15-16**
- Brought by **“another angel”** to differentiate from those mentioned earlier
 - **“Flying in the midst of heaven”**
 - **“Having an eternal gospel to preach to those living on earth”**
 - Judgment – Romans 2:16
 - Repentance – Acts 14:15

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Banner Number 1 ...**Triumph of Righteousness**

- **Eternal Good News – Chapters 15-16**
- Proclaimed ...
 - **“Fear God”**
 - He is Creator of all the earth.
 - **“Worship Him”**
 - **“For the hour of His judgment has come.”**
 - John 3:18-19

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Banner Number 1...**Triumph of Righteousness**

- **Eternal Good News – Chapters 15-16**
- God's purposes will not be defeated!
- God will not allow His righteous children to be trampled on indefinitely!
- Sinners will perish, and righteousness will triumph – rejoice!
- God's wrath is as holy as His love.
- There'll always be consequences for ungodliness.

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Banner Number 2 ...

Judgment of Wicked Babylon

- Consequences – More in Chapters 17,18
 - Old Testament Babylon was a place of arrogance and rebellion against God.
- NOTE: Isaiah 13:17-22; 21:9; 47:5-9; 48:14; Jeremiah 50:32, 38; 51:7-8
- It was so wicked God overthrew it completely; it was never rebuilt.
- Repetition for tragic emphasis (prophetic)