

# **Revelation 14**

## **Revelation 14.1-5**

**V1** – In contrast to those with 666: the name of God on their forehead (not mark of beast)

-144,000? The saved

**V2** – Describe the sound that John heard? "Voice" (not instrumental music)

-Who was singing the song? 144,000

-4 creatures, 24 elders? – Reference back to *Rev. 4.6, 10*

**V4** – Is the Bible against marriage? No

-Any Scriptures to support that? *Gen. 2.24-25, John 2* (wedding in Cana), *Eph. 5.22-23*

-Meaning? Adultery and fornication

-They follow the Lamb – meaning? Undying allegiance

-They have been purchased from whom? Satan

**V5** – Blameless? See *1 John 1.7* – Their sins have been forgiven by Jesus Christ

## **Revelation 14.6-8** – 3 angelic visions

**V6** – Why "eternal" gospel? Never changing; the final message of God to mankind

-Also: for all people

**V7** – The message? Judgment had come on the Roman Empire

-This verse is the turning point – the Romans stopped persecuting the Christians and are themselves persecuted

**V8** – Why is Rome called Babylon? John was in prison with censored mail: he used code language

-Was Peter writing from Rome in *1 Peter 5.13*?

-There is absolutely no evidence whatsoever that the Apostle Peter was ever in Rome

## **Revelation 14.9-13**

**V9-10** – Reminder of *Rev. 13*? Just the opposite; a curse on those who have the 666

**V10** – Fire and brimstone? Like Sodom and Gomorrah

-Notice who is tormented now!

**V11** – How long will the punishment last? Forever

-There are several denominations that teach that the people who are lost are annihilated at the Day of Judgment (no eternal hell)

-Does it sound like hell is a real place?

**V 12 – What does it mean for the saints to persevere?** To keep the commandments of God  
-We have many congregations today who are departing from the faith

**V 13 – The second beatitude of Rev. – Where was the first?** *Rev. 1.3* – Blessing on those who read and hear and keep commandments of this book

**-Define: To die in the Lord?**

**-Advantages of dying in the Lord?**

1. May rest from their work
2. Their good deeds follow after them

-A Scripture that is used at many funerals, including the funeral for one of our past elders, Bob Limburg, for whom it was very appropriate

**-How many beatitudes are there in total in Revelation?** 7 (5 more to come)

## **Revelation 14.14-20**

**V 14 – Like the Son of Man?** Jesus Christ

**-Read Daniel 3.34-25, 28**

**-Read Daniel 7.13-14**

**V 15 – Angel?** A messenger from God/time of the end

**-Instructions to Jesus?** Begin the harvest (Grim Reaper)

**V 16 – The evil people are cut down.**

**V 17 – What temple is in heaven? Read Rev. 21.22**

**V 18 – Another angel ("angel of the altar") – Rev. 8.2-5 – when the seventh seal was broken**

**-Who was under the altar?** *Rev. 6.9* – the slain Christians

**V 19-20 – Are we convinced of eternal punishment for the wicked?**

**-Results of the harvest?** Blood up to bridles for 200 miles (literally: 1600 stadia)

Optional: **What great American novel got its title from this passage?** John Steinbeck, *The Grapes of Wrath*

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