

The Revelation

(26) The victors and the warnings

The final victory of the 144,000...Rev.14:1-5

After the horrible scene of the antichrist and false prophet, what does John see? 14:1

He sees the Lamb, Jesus Christ, standing on Mt. Zion with the 144,000.

From the location, what is the timing of this scene? Ps.2:6-9; 48:2; Is.24:23; Joel 2:32

This is a significant prophetic scene. The King on Mt. Zion. After the tribulation is done.

What is demonstrated by the presence of the 144,000? Rev.7:1-3

The 144,000 survived the tribulation because of the (protective) seal of God. They win!!

What is the reaction of the hosts of heaven? 14:2-3

Great chorus of harpists and singing a new song, unique to 144,000.

And what is stated as the specific characteristic of the 144,000? vs.4 Comment? Mt.24:37-38

They were men who were not defiled with illicit sex. Shows nature of antichrist's rule.

How are they identified? vs.4-5

As purchased from among men, first fruits to God and the Lamb. Blameless...

Comment on 'first fruits'. What does this signify in the Revelation? ICor.15:20-23; 16:15

The 144,000 will be saved early and are the first. That is, there will be more after them.

Three angels with some last warnings...Rev.14:6-13

What is the message and the extent, from this *first* angel? 14:6

It is the eternal gospel proclaimed to EVERYONE, just prior to the final bowl judgments.

And what is this gospel message? vs.7 Why??

Fear God and give Him glory! Because the hour of His judgment has come. Do it now...

Is this a new message? Ps.111:10; IPet.2:17; Mt.10:28 Comment?

No, it's always been taught. They were to fear God, not the antichrist. Jesus warned also.

And of what does the angel remind all unbelievers? vs.7b Ps.19:1-4; Is.40:21-26; Rom.1:18-23

Worship Him (God) because He created everything. The light of creation is enough!

What is the sober warning immediately given by the *second* angel? vs.8 Comment?

Babylon is fallen (Rev.17-18). The beast is doomed, repent NOW. Grace, grace, grace.

And what is the terrifying warning of the *third* angel? vs.9-11

To worship the beast and receive his mark (13:16) means God's full strength eternal wrath

"God is love. He would never torment anyone forever." Comment??

He is also Just and Holy. This eternal wrath is just as true as His eternal love for believers.

What is signified by "mixed in full strength..."? vs.10

This is God's Holy wrath with NO compassion, mercy, or grace. None. Forever. And ever.

Comment on how God has delivered this message.

By 144,000, by two witnesses, now by three angels (loud voice) to everyone. Grace...