Series: Revelation

## Revelation 14:1-13 Handout

"One of the chapters of Revelation designed most directly to call attention to the victory that belongs to the Lamb and his followers is the fourteenth. In summary, chapter twelve showed that Satan could not defeat the Christ of God; chapter thirteen showed who would help Satan in his mission of opposing the work of God in the world. Now chapter fourteen will show the triumph which the Lamb and his allies will have over the dragon and his cohorts."

| l.   | Revelation 14:1  |
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|      | a. "the Lamb"  |
|      | i. Jesus   |
|      | b. "standing on Mount Zion"  |
|      | i. See Psalm 2:6   |
|      | ii. John is saying that Jesus is the                                   |
|      | c. "and with him 144,000"  |
|      | d. The same as those "marked" by God in Revelation 7:1-8.              |
| 11.  | Revelation 14:2  |
|      | a. "harpist playing their harps.""                                     |
|      | i. Harps are the instrument of the                                     |
|      | 1. See Revelation 5:8; 15:2Revelation 13:8                             |
| III. | Revelation 14:3-5  |
|      | a. "they sang a new song"  |
|      | i. Who the "they" are may depend on what is meant by "a new song'      |
|      | 1. See Psalms 96:1-3, 98:1-2, 144:9-12                                 |
|      | 2. Like the "new songs" in the OT, the theme centers on                |
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|      | ii. Therefore, those who sing are those who have                       |
|      | being set free.  |
|      | iii. Since they are singing the four living creatures and the          |
|      | elders, it is most likely these entities are not the singers.          |
|      | b. "No one could learn the song except the 144,000"                    |
|      | i. Some see this to mean that the 144,000 are the singers              |
|      | because they had to "learn" the song.                                  |
|      | ii. Or they learned the song from their delivery experience.           |
|      | iii. John lists five things regarding the 144,000 that are evidence of |
|      | their salvation or   |

|     | 1. who had been                               | from the earth. (3)                   |
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|     | 2. for they remained                          | (4)                                   |
|     | 3. They the La                                | amb wherever he goes (4)              |
|     | 4 from amo                                    | ng mankind and offered as first       |
|     | fruits to God and the Lam                     | b (4)                                 |
|     | 5. they are                                   | (5)                                   |
|     | iv. This is the Church!                       |                                       |
| IV. | Revelation 14:6                               |                                       |
|     | a. "flying in midair"                         |                                       |
|     | i. One meaning of this Greek word             | l is a reference to the sun at        |
|     | , at its highest point.                       |                                       |
|     | <ol> <li>No one is going to miss w</li> </ol> | hat this angel says.                  |
|     | b. "every nation"                             |                                       |
|     | <ol> <li>It applies to everyone.</li> </ol>   |                                       |
| V.  | Revelation 14:7                               |                                       |
|     | a. "Fear Godgive Him gloryworship             | Him"                                  |
|     | i. See Revelation 9:20-21                     |                                       |
|     | <ol> <li>The judgment was to serv</li> </ol>  |                                       |
|     | a. To evil a                                  | nd the righteous.                     |
|     |   | ous to                                |
| VI. | Revelation 14:8                               |                                       |
|     | a. "Fallen! Fallen is Babylon the Great,      |                                       |
|     | i. See Isaiah 21:9                            |                                       |
|     | b. "is"                                       |                                       |
|     | i. The actual fall of Rome is years a         |                                       |
|     | Babylon as fallen.                            |                                       |
|     | 1. See Isaiah 48:3                            |                                       |
|     | 2. When God                                   | _ a matter, it is as if it is already |
|     |   |                                       |
|     | 3. See Jeremiah 51:8                          | 1. 6                                  |
|     |   | years before it happened.             |
|     | c. "make drinkwine"                           | 2                                     |
|     | i. Same as Revelation 17:2 and 18:            |                                       |
|     | ii. The conquered nations                     | the immoral ways of the               |
|     | Roman empire.                                 |                                       |
|     | 1. See Jeremiah 51:7                          | ad Dalayda a the et the effect of the |
|     | d. There was a similarity between Rome a      | nd babyion that the first century     |
|     | was aware of.                                 |                                       |

|       | i. Both Jerusalem, the Temple,                                   |
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|       | pagan worship.   |
| VII.  | Revelation 14:9  |
|       | a. "Anyone who worshipsand receives"                             |
|       | i. See Revelation 13:16-18                                       |
| VIII. | Revelation 14:10-11  |
|       | a. "drink the wine of God"                                       |
|       | i. See Jeremiah 25:15  |
|       | 1. The first image of His punishment -drinking of His wrath.     |
|       | b. "tormented with burning sulfur"                               |
|       | i. See Genesis 19:24 and Isaiah 30:33                            |
|       | 1. His on Sodom and Gomorrah and Assyria                         |
| IX.   | Revelation 14:12   |
|       | a. "patient endurance"   |
|       | i. The whole reason for this book.                               |
|       | b. Summary   |
|       | i. 1st angel - the earth was called upon to the                  |
|       | of judgment.   |
|       | ii. 2nd angel - the fall of Babylon is accomplished.             |
|       | iii. 3rd angel - the of worshiping the beast.                    |
| Χ.    | Revelation 14:13   |
|       | a. "Blessed are the dead"  |
|       | i. A that those who have suffered the ultimate in                |
|       | persecution will be for their endurance.                         |
|       | b. "rest fromdeeds will follow them."                            |
|       | i. Lists two blessings for their                                 |
|       | <ol> <li>The word for <u>rest</u> literally means and</li> </ol> |
|       | means <u>toil under great adversity</u> .                        |
|       | a. So, they will be refreshed after their great toil.            |
|       | b. See Matthew 11:28   |
|       | 2. God is not unaware of their deeds.                            |

a. See Hebrews 6:10-12