

“The Divine Winepress”  
Revelation 14

Question: What was the next vision that John saw? V. 1

Answer: “Then I looked, and there before me was the \_\_\_\_\_ standing on Mount Zion, and with him \_\_\_\_\_ who had his name and his Father's name written on their foreheads.” (Rev. 14:1 NIV)

Question: The Lamb is...

Answer:

Question: What is the significance of his standing on Mount Zion?

Answer: It was a name given first to the \_\_\_\_\_; second to the \_\_\_\_\_. It conveys the rightful \_\_\_\_\_ to the throne or rightful place to receive worship.

Read Psalm 2.

Two views:

1. This is speaking of the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jerusalem and the 144,000 have been gathered out of this world (\_\_\_\_\_) after accomplishing their mission. [Teacher's preference]
2. This is speaking of the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jerusalem – reflecting the victorious \_\_\_\_\_ and anticipated coming at the Battle of Armageddon and the Millennium. Cp. Zech. 14:1-5.

Question: What is the significance of the 144,000 standing with him?

Answer: Cp. Revelation 7:3 –

This chapter is called an \_\_\_\_\_. In music/literature an *intermezzo* is a connecting section between two major parts. In Revelation 14 it is used to provide \_\_\_\_\_ between chapter 13 and 19. From a futurist perspective, this take place at the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus to earth to set up his millennial kingdom.

Question: What did John hear? (vv. 2-3)

Answer: "2 And I heard a sound from heaven like the roar of rushing waters and like a loud peal of thunder. The sound I heard was like that of \_\_\_\_\_ playing their harps. 3 And they sang a \_\_\_\_\_ before the throne and before the four living creatures and the elders. No one could learn the song except the \_\_\_\_\_ who had been redeemed from the earth." (Rev. 14:2-3 NIV)

Note: This is a very loud sound, but \_\_\_\_\_ with lyrics. It was a song being sung in heaven, but exclusive to a particular group on earth. Only the Jewish evangelists set apart by God could learn it.

Question: How are these 144,000 further described in verses 4 and 5?

Answer: "4 These are those who did not \_\_\_\_\_ themselves with women, for they remained virgins. They follow the Lamb wherever he goes. They were purchased from among mankind and offered as \_\_\_\_\_ to God and the Lamb. 5 No \_\_\_\_\_ was found in their mouths; they are blameless." (Rev. 14:4-5 NIV)

1. They are \_\_\_\_\_. Cp. 1 Cor. 7:25-35.
2. They are \_\_\_\_\_ directly to the person of Jesus and have a strict loyalty to him and his mission.
3. They represent all who are \_\_\_\_\_ by the blood of the Lamb.

4. They speak the \_\_\_\_\_ at all costs.
5. They are \_\_\_\_\_ – they are dedicated to following Christ in every area of their lives.

Note: As we move into the rest of the chapter each section is associated with a following chapter, although not in order. For example, verses 6-7 are connected to chapter \_\_\_\_\_, verse 8 is connected to chapters \_\_\_\_\_, verses 9-13 are connected to chapter \_\_\_\_\_, and verses 14-20 are connected to chapter \_\_\_\_\_.

Question: John sees another vision. What is it? Verse 6.

Answer: “<sup>6</sup> Then I saw another angel flying in midair, and he had the eternal \_\_\_\_\_ to proclaim to those who live on the earth-- to every nation, tribe, language and people.” (Rev. 14:6 NIV)

Note: We have seen the phrase “all who live on the earth” before (Rev. 11:10; or more specific “\_\_\_\_\_”; 3:10, 6:10, 8:13, 13:8, 14). It speaks to “unbelievers.”

Question: What was the eternal gospel that he proclaimed? V. 7

Answer: “<sup>7</sup> He said in a loud voice, ‘ \_\_\_\_\_ God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come. \_\_\_\_\_ him who made the heavens, the earth, the sea and the springs of water.’” (Rev. 14:7 NIV)

Note: The phrase “give him glory” is a Hebraism that means “\_\_\_\_\_.” Cp. Jn. 9:24.

Note: There are no \_\_\_\_\_ but rather commandments. “Fear.” “Worship.” They are \_\_\_\_\_/announcements because of what is coming. Possible \_\_\_\_\_ is not implied from a human perspective.

Note: The commandments are based on two things: God's position as \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

Question: What was the next vision John saw? V. 8

Answer: "8 A second angel followed and said, ' \_\_\_\_\_! \_\_\_\_\_ is Babylon the Great,' which made all the nations drink the maddening wine of her \_\_\_\_\_.'" (Rev. 14:8 NIV)

The words, "Fallen. Fallen" are called "proleptic aorists" or "prophetic preterit." A Greek aorist tense simply means that something happened. But this particular tense says that something in the future is so \_\_\_\_\_ that we can speak of it as already happened.

Question: What or who is Babylon?

Note: This is the \_\_\_\_\_ time Babylon is mentioned in Revelation.

Answer: Per chapters 17 and 18 – it stands for both a \_\_\_\_\_ and a \_\_\_\_\_ that promotes or represents spiritual adultery/idolatry, i.e. Jerusalem (Preterist), Papal Rome (Historicist), an organized system that is anti-God (Idealist), revived Roman Empire with an undisclosed capital, or resurrected Babylon in Iraq (Futurist).

Cp. 1 Peter 5:13

Note: It could also be a place of exile.

Question: A third angel comes. What does John hear? Vv 9-11.

Answer: "9 A third angel followed them and said in a loud voice: "If anyone \_\_\_\_\_ the beast and its image and receives its \_\_\_\_\_ on their forehead or on their hand, 10 they, too, will drink the wine of God's fury, which has been poured full strength into the cup of his wrath. They will be

\_\_\_\_\_ with burning sulfur in the presence of the holy angels and of the Lamb.

<sup>11</sup> And the smoke of their torment will rise for ever and ever. There will be no \_\_\_\_\_ day or night for those who worship the beast and its image, or for anyone who receives the mark of its name." (Rev. 14:9-11 NIV)

Regarding "burning sulfur"

Cf. w/Gen. 19:24

Cf. w/ Deut. 29:23

Cf. w/Psalm 11:5-6

Note that this takes place in the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus and the holy angels.

Note that this judgement is \_\_\_\_\_ - eternal torment and no rest.

Cf. w/Is. 66:24

Cf. w/Dan. 12:2

Cf. w/Mat. 3:12

Cf. w/2 Thess. 1:8-10

Question: What admonition goes out to believers at this point? V. 12

Answer: "<sup>12</sup> This calls for \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ on the part of the people of God who keep his commands and remain faithful to Jesus." (Rev. 14:12 NIV)

Note: Depending on your position, this could be the Church who has gone through the birth pangs, tribulation, and will soon be raptured or martyred before the Wrath of God is poured out, those saints who were saved during the tribulation and who will soon be martyred, or the Church who will go through the Great Tribulation.

Question: Another voice was heard. What did it say? V. 13

Answer: “<sup>13</sup> Then I heard a voice from heaven say, ‘Write this: \_\_\_\_\_ are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.’ ‘Yes,’ says the Spirit, ‘they will \_\_\_\_\_ from their labor, for their deeds will follow them.’” (Rev. 14:13 NIV)

Question: John continues his vision by seeing something else. What is it? Verse 14

Answer: “<sup>14</sup> I looked, and there before me was a white cloud, and seated on the cloud was one like \_\_\_\_\_ with a crown of gold on his head and a sharp sickle in his hand.” (Rev. 14:14 NIV)

Question: Who is this?

Answer:

Question: What does the sickle represent?

Answer:

Cf. Joel 3:11-14

Question: John sees another angel. Where does he come from? Who does he speak to? And what is the message? V. 15

Answer: “<sup>15</sup> Then another angel came out of the \_\_\_\_\_ and called in a loud voice to him who was sitting on the cloud, ‘Take your sickle and reap, because the time to reap has come, for the harvest of the earth is ripe.’” (Rev. 14:15 NIV)

Note: Taken with 17ff, this is a different harvest. Some scholars believe that this equated with the \_\_\_\_\_ or barley harvest. It is the first-fruits or believers – the \_\_\_\_\_ (?). The second harvest that will be shortly followed is the \_\_\_\_\_ – identified with \_\_\_\_\_. Other scholars believe that these are two agrarian examples of the two remaining judgements: The \_\_\_\_\_ and the Battle of Armageddon.

Question: What was the result of the angelic instruction?

Answer: "16 So he who was seated on the cloud swung his sickle over the earth, and the earth was \_\_\_\_\_." (Rev. 14:16 NIV)

Question: Another angel came out of the temple. What did he have? V.18

Answer:

Question: Yet another angel, who had charge of the fire came out from the altar area. What did he say?

Answer: "Take your sharp sickle and gather the clusters of grapes from the earth's vine, because its grapes are ripe." (Rev. 14:18 NIV)

Question: Why did this one come out from the altar? What does he represent? Cf. 6:9-11

Answer:

Question: What followed? V. 19

Answer: "19 The angel swung his sickle on the earth, gathered its grapes and threw them into the great winepress of God's \_\_\_\_\_." (Rev. 14:19 NIV)

Question: What was the result?

Answer: “<sup>20</sup> They were trampled in the winepress \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, and blood flowed out of the press, rising as high as  
the horses' bridles for a distance of \_\_\_\_\_ stadia.” (Rev. 14:20 NIV)

Question: What is the theological/Christological significance/comparison of this verse?

Answer:

1. Cp. w/ Num. 35:26-27 - It connects with those guilty of \_\_\_\_\_  
and divine \_\_\_\_\_ (outside the city).
2. Cp. w/Ex. 29:14 - The \_\_\_\_\_ was burnt outside the city.
3. Cp. w/Heb. 13:12 – \_\_\_\_\_ was crucified for sin outside the city.

Question: How high is an average horse's bridle?

Answer:

Question: What is equal to 1600 stadia?

Answer:

Question: What event is this speaking of?

Answer: