



REVELATION 14.1-20 ANNOINTED MEN

Sad news in the past 2 chapters:

- Dragon has been tossed out of Heaven onto the earth
- First Beast (Antichrist) has arisen out of the sea of humanity around the Med, from the European Union (possible Gentile)
- Second Beast has arisen from the earth (possible Jew) to point all the earth top worship the Antichrist
 - Build an image which MUST be worshipped
 - Demand a mark on the forehead or right hand of the worship/loyalty
 - Refuse all commerce to those without the mark

As many as 5/8 of humanity on earth dead and rotting on the ground and in the oceans.

Infrastructure worldwide has collapsed!

National governments have all collapsed!

No police, fire, EMTs, Hospitals, welfare checks, food stamps

Clean water, food, fuel housing shortages worldwide.

Even if you find any of the above you cannot purchase them

- without \$\$\$

- without the “Mark of the Beast!”

Seiss: “The blackest storms often give place to the loveliest sunsets. The winds and thunders exhaust themselves. The clouds empty and break. And from the calm heavens behind them comes a golden light, girthing the remaining fragments of gloom with chains of brightness, and overarching with the bow of promise the path along which the terrible tempest has just passed. Like this evening glory after the summer’s gust, is the chapter on which we now enter.”¹

¹ J. A. Seiss, *The Apocalypse: Lectures on the Book of Revelation* (Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan Publishing House, 1966), 349.

1 And I looked, and behold, the Lamb standing on Mount Zion,
and with him one hundred forty-four thousand who had his name
and the name of his Father written on their foreheads.

Righteous Men will stand in victory with Jesus the Lamb on Mt Zion one day!

Revelation 7:3–4

3 saying, “Do not damage the earth or the sea or the trees
until we have sealed the slaves of our God on their foreheads.”

4 And I heard the number of the ones who were sealed,

**one hundred forty-four thousand sealed from every tribe of the sons of
Israel:**

- **Herodotus** (2:113) tells us that there was a temple of Heracles at the Canopic mouth of the Nile which possessed the right of asylum. Any criminal, slave or free man, was safe there from pursuing vengeance. When such a fugitive reached that temple, he was branded with certain sacred marks in token that he had delivered himself to the god and that none could touch him anymore. They were the marks of absolute security. ²
- **Mt. Zion? The one in Heaven or on earth?**
Hebrews 12:22 But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, to an innumerable company of angels,
 - **Since there is both an earthly and a heavenly Zion, which is in view here?**
 - The answer to this question carries with it considerable significance. If it is the earthly Zion, then the 144,000 have been protected by their seal throughout the horrors of the Tribulation. If it is the heavenly Zion, after having served out their intended ministry, the 144,000 were removed from the earth, probably through martyrdom. ³

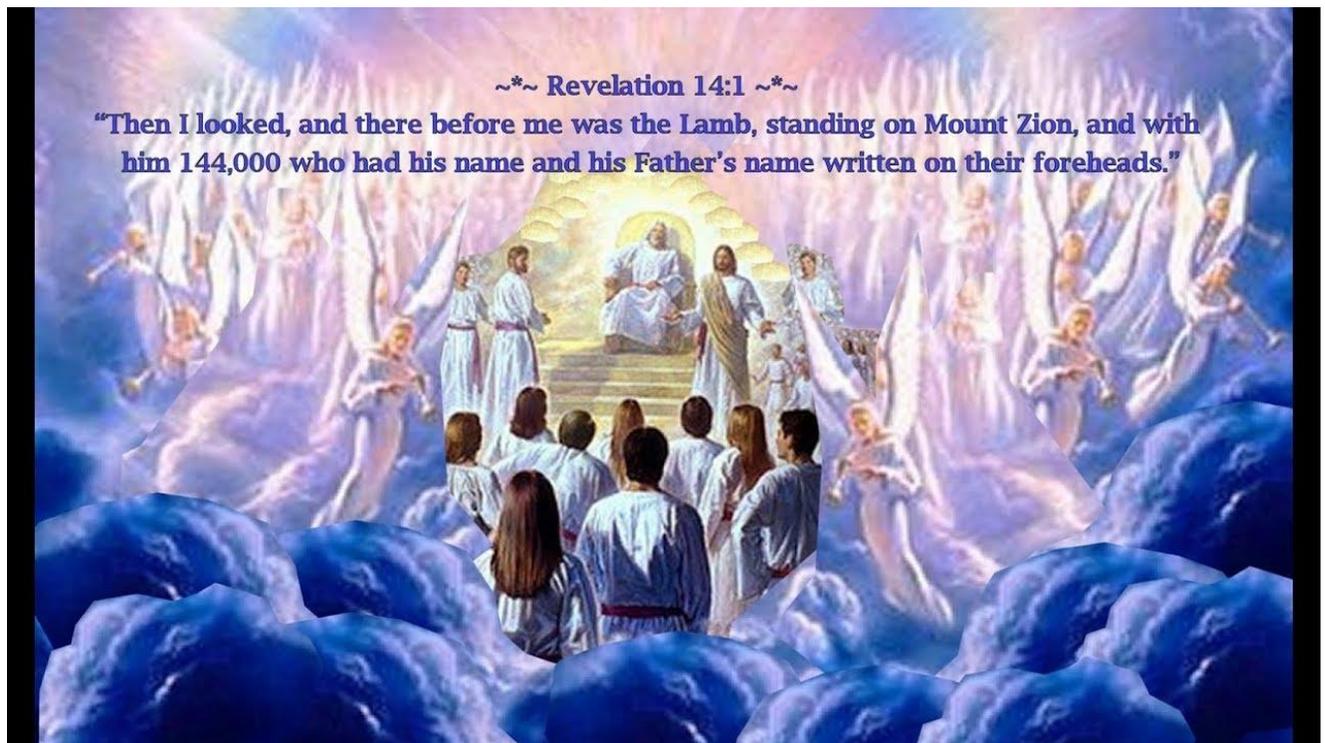
**2 And I heard a sound from heaven like the sound of many waters
and like the sound of loud thunder,
and the sound that I heard was like harpists playing on their harps.**

- The correct reading is, καὶ ἡ φωνὴ ἣν ἤκουσα ὡς κιθαρῳδῶν **and the voice which I heard (was) as (the voice) of harpers.** ⁴

²The Revelation of John : Volume 2. 2000, c1976 (W. Barclay, lecturer in the University of Glasgow, Ed.). The Daily study Bible series, Rev. ed. The Westminster Press: Philadelphia

³ http://www.spiritandtruth.org/teaching/Book_of_Revelation/commentary/htm/chapters/14.html#Revelation%2014%3A1

⁴ Marvin Richardson Vincent, *Word Studies in the New Testament*, vol. 2 (New York: Charles Scribner's Sons, 1887), 533.



Psalm 93:4–5

4 Mightier than the rumblings of many waters, mightier than the mighty breakers of the sea, Yahweh on high is mighty.

5 Your testimonies are fully reliable.
Holiness is fitting for your house, O Yahweh, forever.

Revelation 1:15 and his feet were like fine bronze when it has been fired in a furnace, and **his voice was like the sound of many waters,**

Revelation 19:6 **And I heard something like the sound of a great crowd and something like the sound of many waters and something like the sound of powerful thunder,** saying, “Hallelujah! For the Lord God, the All-Powerful, reigns!

Beautiful harp music that solicited a **“new song”** from the redeemed 144,000 men of devotion

3 And they were singing something like **a new song** before the throne and before the four living creatures and the elders, and no one was able to learn the song except the one hundred forty-four thousand

who had been bought from the earth.

A New Song:

- **Spontaneous, prophetic worship in unison of word, Spirit and Truth!**

Psalm 33:3 Sing to him a new song; play skillfully with jubilant shout.

Psalm 40:3 Then He put **a new song** in my mouth, a praise to our God. Many will see and fear, and will trust Yahweh.

- He put that new song in my mouth
- A praise to the Lord – not some sappy selfish love song to ourselves
- Many will see and fear (not hear, but see you singing a praise to our God)
 - The result is that they will trust in the Lord!

Psalm 96:1 Sing to Yahweh **a new song**; sing to Yahweh, all the earth.

Psalm 98:1 Sing to Yahweh **a new song**, for he has done wonders. His right hand and his holy arm have secured his victory.

Psalm 144:9 O God, I will sing **a new song** to you. With a lyre of ten strings I will sing praise to you,

Psalm 149:1 Praise Yah. Sing to Yahweh **a new song**, His praise in the assembly of the faithful.

Isaiah 42:10–13

10 Sing **a new song** to Yahweh; praise him from the end of the earth, you who go down to the sea and that which fills it, the coastlands and their inhabitants.

11 Let the desert and its towns lift up their voice, the villages that Kedar inhabits. Let the inhabitants of Sela sing for joy; let them shout loudly from the top of the mountains.

12 Let them give glory to Yahweh and declare his praise in the coastlands.

13 Yahweh goes forth like a mighty warrior; He stirs up zeal like a man of war.

He raises the war cry, indeed he raises the battle shout; He prevails against his foes.

Ephesians 5:18–21

18 And do not be drunk with wine (in which is dissipation),

but be filled by the Spirit,

19 speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and **spiritual songs**, singing and singing praise in your heart to the Lord,

20 giving thanks always for all things

in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to the God and Father,

21 being subject to one another out of reverence for Christ

4 These are those **who have not been defiled with women, for they are virgins.**
These are the ones **who follow the Lamb wherever he goes.**
These were bought from humanity as first fruits to God and to the Lamb,
5 and in their mouth a lie was not found;
they are blameless.

Does marriage defile men? ⁵

Does having marital, sexual relations defile a man?

- The phrase **“defiled with women”** does not imply that sex within marriage is evil, because it is not (Heb. 13:4). It merely indicates that these 144,000 Jewish men were unmarried. ⁶

Genesis 2:18

18 Then Yahweh God said, **“it is not good that the man is alone.**
I will make for him a helper as his counterpart.”

Genesis 2:24–25 (repeated 4X in Scripture)

24 Therefore a man shall **leave** his father and his mother
and shall **cling** to his wife,
and they shall be as **one flesh**.

25 And the man and his wife, both of them, were naked,
and they were **not ashamed**.

Hebrews 13:4 **Marriage must be held in honor by all,
and the marriage bed be undefiled,**

because God will judge sexually immoral people and adulterers.

- **Sodomy in marriage is a defiling work.**

Romans 1:26

26 Because of this, God gave them over to **degrading passions**,
for their females exchanged the natural relations for those contrary
to nature,

- If you are engaging, or asking your wife to engage in this
“degrading passion” know this: **your passions will only
continue to degrade!**

⁵ **de•file** \di-ˈfī(ə)l, dē-\ *transitive verb*: to make unclean or impure

a : to corrupt the purity or perfection of : DEBASE (the countryside *defiled* by billboards)

b : to violate the chastity of : DEFLOWER

c : to make physically unclean especially with something unpleasant or contaminating (boots *defiled* with blood)

d : to violate the sanctity of : DESECRATE (defile a sanctuary)

e : SULLY, DISHONOR (Inc Merriam-Webster, *Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary* (Springfield, MA: Merriam-Webster, 1996).

⁶ Warren W. Wiersbe, *The Bible Exposition Commentary*, vol. 2 (Wheaton, IL: Victor Books, 1996), 607.

Qualifications To Learn the Song:

1. Direct lineage to one of the 14 Tribes of Israel.
2. Men: not defiled with women; redeemed among men; a man who has never had sexual intercourse – **NOT JUST BORN FREE – PORN FREE!**
3. Possibly 12,000 first-born males from each of the 12 tribes (“firstfruits”)
4. True Jews: Messianic Christians.
5. Absolute dedication to His service.
6. Bearing a mark on their forehead that is the Name of the Father in Heaven.
7. Absolute control of their language – no deceitful language.
8. Constantly confessed up and abiding with Christ.

- Not fooled by **“the lie”**, as the rest of the world will be.
 - Blameless (without fault) as a loyal, chaste servant to Jesus
 - Doesn’t say “without sin” – but we are **#BLAMELESS19**.

2 Thessalonians 2:7–12

7 For the mystery of lawlessness is at work already; only the one who now restrains will do so until he is out of the way, **8** and then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will slay with the breath of his mouth, and wipe out by the appearance of his coming,

9 whose coming is in accordance with the working of Satan, with all power and signs and lying wonders,

10 and with every unrighteous deception against those who are perishing, in place of which they did not accept the love of the truth, so that they would be saved.

11 And because of this, God sends them a powerful delusion **so that they will believe the lie,**

12 in order that all may be condemned who did not believe the truth, but delighted in unrighteousness.

6 And I saw **another** (Gr. “allos”; lit. exactly the same) **angel**

flying directly overhead,

having an **eternal gospel to proclaim**

to those who reside on the earth,

and to every nation

and tribe

and language

and people,

7 saying with a loud voice,

“Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship the one who made the heaven and the earth and the sea and the springs of water!”



- **This is the last Gospel proclamation, from Heaven to man, in Scripture.**
 - Last time the word “GOSPEL” used in Scripture!
 - **What if I told you today would be your last Gospel presentation**
 - Hell is filled with those with eternal regrets about the Gospel opportunities they had.
- **V7** – a simple Gospel presentation: no longer a gospel of grace
 - Fear GOD!
 - Give Him glory!
 - Judgment has come!
 - Worship He who created all things!

Romans 1:20–22

20 For from the creation of the world, his invisible attributes, both his eternal power and deity, are discerned clearly, being understood in the things created, so that they are without excuse.

21 For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks, but they became futile in their reasoning, and their senseless hearts were darkened.

22 Claiming to be wise, they became fools,

- Those who rely on Darwin, on Science, on man's philosophy
 - THEY ARE ALL FOOLS WHO THOUGHT THEY WERE WISE!
 - **Stephen Hawking, a devout atheist, a FOOL:**
 - *"I regard the brain as a computer which will stop working when its components fail," he told the Guardian. "There is no heaven or afterlife for broken down computers; that is a fairy story for people afraid of the dark."*⁷

Psalm 53:1 The fool says in his heart, "There is no God."

They are corrupt and they have done abominable iniquity. There is none who does good.

8 And another (Gr. "allos"; lit. exactly the same) **second angel** followed, saying, "**Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great,** who caused all the nations to drink from the wine of **the passion of her sexual immorality.**"

Babylon's judgment prophesied:

Psalm 137:7-9 (Sung from Babylon in the exile)

7 Remember, O Yahweh, against the sons of Edom the day of Jerusalem, the ones who said, "Lay it bare! Lay it bare to its foundation!"

8 O daughter of Babylon, about to be devastated, happy shall be he who pays back to you what you paid out to us.

9 Happy shall be he who seizes and smashes your children against the rock.

⁷ <http://time.com/5199149/stephen-hawking-death-god-atheist/>



- Does Pornography die at this point?
 - According to data released by Google, **six of the top eight porn-searching countries are Muslim states.**
 - **Pakistan** tops the list at number one, followed by
 - **Egypt** at number two.
 - **Iran,**
 - **Morocco,**
 - **Saudi Arabia** and
 - **Turkey** come in at numbers four, five, seven and eight, respectively.

9 And **another** (Gr. "allos"; lit. exactly the same) **third angel** followed them, saying with a loud voice,

"If anyone worships the beast and his image and receives a mark on his forehead or on his hand,

10 he himself also will drink of the wine of the anger of God that has been mixed full strength in the cup of his wrath,

and will be **tortured** with fire and sulphur in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb.

11 And the smoke of their **torture** went up **forever and ever,** and those who worshiped the beast and his image **did not have rest day and night,** along with anyone who received the mark of his name.

- To take the mark of the Beast forfeits ALL ability to be saved, ever.

- The doctrine of eternal punishment, though unpopular with liberal scholars and difficult to accept, is nevertheless clearly taught in the Bible. Jesus and the Apostle John say more on this subject than does all the rest of the Bible. ⁸
- Unimaginable what will happen to people in Hell!
 - Who knows better than God what it means to “perish?”

2 Peter 3:9 The Lord is not delaying the promise, as some consider slowness, but is being patient toward you, **because He does not want any to perish** ⁹, but all to come to repentance.

12 Here is the **patient endurance** of the saints, those who keep the commandments of God and the faith in Jesus.

13 And I heard a voice from heaven saying,

“Write: ‘Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on!’ ”

“Yes,” says the Spirit, **“in order that they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow after them.”**

- A unique and particular blessing to those who die in the Tribulation as saints from this point onward.
- Their deeds follow them:

Lucifer keeps record of our “wrongdoings”

Jesus keeps record of our “right doing.”

1 Cor. 13:4-5

4 Love is patient, love is kind.

It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud.

5 It is not rude,

it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered,

it keeps no record of wrongs. ¹⁰

“that they may rest”

- In Heaven, with Jesus, there is rest for our weary souls

⁸ John F. Walvoord, “Revelation,” in *The Bible Knowledge Commentary: An Exposition of the Scriptures*, ed. J. F. Walvoord and R. B. Zuck, vol. 2 (Wheaton, IL: Victor Books, 1985), 964.

⁹ **20.31 ἀπόλλυμι^a; ἀπώλεια^a, ας f; λυμαίνομαι^b**: to destroy or to cause the destruction of persons, objects, or institutions—‘to ruin, to destroy, destruction.’ (Johannes P. Louw and Eugene Albert Nida, *Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament: Based on Semantic Domains* (New York: United Bible Societies, 1996), 231.)

¹⁰ *The Holy Bible: New International Version* (Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan, 1984), 1 Co 13:4–5.

- In Hell, there will never be rest, your souls will be tortured continuously and endlessly. (see V.11)

14 And I looked, and behold, **a white cloud**, and on the cloud was seated one like a son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle.

15 And **another** (Gr. "allos"; lit. exactly the same) **angel** came out of the temple, crying out with a loud voice to the one seated on the cloud, **"Send out your sickle and reap, because the hour to reap has come,** because the harvest of the earth is ripe!"

16 And the one seated on the cloud swung his sickle on the earth, and the earth was reaped.



- **"Ripe"**
 - Greek term refers to a harvest now being over-ripe.
 - Overdue

17 And **another** (Gr. "allos"; lit. exactly the same) **angel** came out of the temple that is in heaven; he also had a sharp sickle.

18 And **another** (Gr. "allos"; lit. exactly the same) **angel** who had authority over the fire went out from the altar, and he called out with a loud voice to the one who had the sharp sickle, saying, **"Send out your sharp sickle and harvest the clusters of grapes from the vine of the earth,**

because its grapes are at their prime!"

19 And the angel swung his sickle into the earth and harvested the vine of the earth,

and threw the grapes into **the great winepress of the wrath of God.**

20 And the winepress was stomped outside the city, and blood went out from the winepress up to the bridles of the horses, about **one thousand six hundred stadia.**

Valley of Megiddo:



- Other Scriptures (e.g. , Rev. 16:14 ; Dan. 11:40-45) make it clear that there will be a world war of tremendous scope underway at the time of the second coming of Christ, and this may be a partial fulfillment of these prophecies. ¹¹
- 1600 furlongs = Greek "stadion" = about 607 feet each = approx. 180 miles.
 - 200 million soldiers would be 1 mile wide and 180 miles long in formation
 - 1 mile by 180 miles by 5 feet = 25 billion cubic feet of blood
 - 929 million cubic yards of blood
 - 84,480,000 cement truck loads of blood.

Benediction

e.g. *exempli gratia* , for example

¹¹Walvoord, J. F., Zuck, R. B., & Dallas Theological Seminary. 1983-c1985. *The Bible knowledge commentary : An exposition of the scriptures* . Victor Books: Wheaton, IL

Grant, we beseech thee, Almighty God,
that the words, which we have heard this day with our outward ears,
may through Thy grace be so grafted inwardly to our hearts,
that they may bring forth in us the fruit of good living,
to the honor and praise of Thy Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.