

Revelation

The Three Angels—Revelation 14:6–13

Topics: Angels, Blessing, Creation, Death, Earth, Endurance, Faithfulness, Fear, Glory, Gospel, Hell, Judgment, Obedience, Patience, Worship

Open It

1. If you could get on international television and deliver a 10-second message to the whole human race, what would you say?

Revelation 14:6–13 (ESV)

⁶Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people.

⁷And he said with a loud voice, “Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water.”

⁸Another angel, a second, followed, saying, “Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great, she who made all nations drink the wine of the passion of her sexual immorality.”

⁹And another angel, a third, followed them, saying with a loud voice, “If anyone worships the beast and its image and receives a mark on his forehead or on his hand,

¹⁰he also will drink the wine of God’s wrath, poured full strength into the cup of his anger, and he will be tormented with fire and sulfur in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb.

¹¹And the smoke of their torment goes up forever and ever, and they have no rest, day or night, these worshipers of the beast and its image, and whoever receives the mark of its name.”

¹²Here is a call for the endurance of the saints, those who keep the commandments of God and their faith in Jesus.

¹³And I heard a voice from heaven saying, “Write this: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.” “Blessed indeed,” says the Spirit, “that they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow them!”

Explore It

2. What did the angel tell the inhabitants of earth to do? Why? (14:7)
3. Why was it important that people heed the angel’s message? (14:7)
4. What pronouncement did the second angel make? (14:8)
5. How was Babylon’s sin described by the second angel? (14:9)
6. What would be the consequence of taking the mark of the beast? (14:9–10)
7. How is the future torment of the unbelieving described in this passage? (14:10–11)
8. How should Christians respond to this sober warning? (14:12)
9. What instructions did John receive from heaven? (14:13)

Get It

10. What temptations and trials “make it difficult to live for Christ in this society?”
11. In what way is it a blessing to die as a believer in Christ?

Apply It

12. How can you cultivate faithfulness to Jesus in all you do each day?