

# A Vision of Victory

## 14:1-20

### Introductory Notes

- We continue the parenthetical section from Chapter 13-14.
- We see here pictured the final judgments and victory of Christ

### Outline

- The Lamb and the 144,000 - vs. 1-5
- The Six Angels - vs. 6-20

### Notes

- vs. 1 - Lamb - Christ
- vs. 1 - Mount Sion - Jerusalem or more broadly Israel.
- vs. 1 - 144,000 - see Revelation 7. Jewish believers preserved through the Tribulation.
- vs. 2 - What does the voice (presumably God's) say? John didn't record it.
- vs. 3 - new song - sung in Heaven, but connected to 144,000? Compare to 5:9 and I think this song is that Christ is worthy to ascend the Millennial throne.
- vs. 4-5 - describe the pureness of the 144,000. Whether taken quite literally or more figuratively it describes a holy people dedicated to God.
- vs. 6-7 - First Angel - proclaims the "good news". I think this he is heralding the coming kingdom.
- vs. 8 - Second Angel - proclaims the fall of Babylon
- vs. 8 - Babylon - we'll deal more with Babylon in Chapter 17. It symbolizes the false religious system
- vs. 9-13 - Third Angel - proclaims the doom of the Beast's followers
- vs. 10-11 - note the future judgment of those that reject God.
- vs. 10 - poured our without mixture - it was common in ancient times to dilute wine with water. In this context it shows the wrath of God is poured our without moderation.
- vs. 12 - "the patience of the saints" - the ultimate victory of Christ and His followers
- vs. 13 - probably describes the martyrs of the Tribulation
- vs. 14 - I think pictured here is Christ Himself, in glory (cloud), authority (crown), and judgment (sharp sickle)
- vs. 15 - Fourth Angel - Proclaims the time of Christ's "reaping"
- vs. 16 - I think this encompasses all the judgments of God culminated in the establishment of the Millennial Kingdom.
- vs. 17 - Fifth Angel - has a sickle and will reap in vs. 19
- vs. 18 - Sixth Angel - Command the Fifth Angel to reap.
- vs. 19 - How is this reaping different from Christ's in vs. 16? I think they are two aspects of the same harvest. Christ's reaping separates the unbelievers from the believers, and the Fifth Angel carries out their punishment
- vs. 20 - 1,600 furlongs - approximately 200 miles. Present day Israel is roughly 263 miles long and 71 miles wide.