

## Focus Bible Study Series.



### **Study 6.**

The 144,000.

Revelation 14.

## Revelation Study 6. Chapter 14

### Recap.

So far we have looked at the 7 seals, the 7 trumpets and the Dragon and his beasts. These visions have the themes of judgment repeated but some of the details are different. In chapter 14, John was shown some more signs of judgment and victory. After that he sees another series of 7 sevens signs (7 plagues and the 7 bowls).

### Group Activity.

**Read Chapter 14 and draw out the vision in Chapter 14:1-5.**

Discuss (v 1-5)

- a. What were the Lamb and 144000 doing?<sup>1</sup>
  
- b. How were the 144,000 described and what was special about them?

### ***What does the passage (v4) mean when it says***

*<sup>4</sup> These are the ones who did not do sinful things with women, because they kept themselves pure. They follow the Lamb every place he goes. These one hundred forty-four thousand were bought from among the people of the earth as people to be offered to God and the Lamb.<sup>5</sup> They were not guilty of telling lies; they are without fault.*

Are the 144000 referring to a very special group of people? Who are these people?

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<sup>1</sup> Mount Zion – A hill just outside Jerusalem – the location of the Old temple. the Place of God's temple.

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### Draw and answer (v6-13)

- c. What did the first angel say? Why was this important?
- d. What did the second angel say? What did it mean?<sup>2</sup>
- e. What did the third angel say? What will happen to those who follow the beast? How do we identify them?
- f. What did the voice from heaven and the Spirit say? Does this message frighten you or comfort you? Explain your answer.

### Draw and answer (v14-20)

Who was sitting on the cloud? What did the first angel tell him to do?

What did the angel of fire (second angel) tell the person who sat on the cloud to do?

What did the third angel carry?

What did the fourth angel tell the third angel to do?

What does it mean? What's your response to this image? Explain your answer.

- a. Fear
- b. Comfort
- c. Hope
- d. Anger
- e. Confusion

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<sup>2</sup> Babylon the Great: The nation that was at war with Judah. Enemy of the Jews.

**Think and discuss. (Application)**

Why should Christians expect persecution for their faith? Should we expect things to become more difficult or easier for believers ?

Is it right or wrong for Christians to run from persecution? Explain your answer.

What gives Christians the motivation to endure persecution? What can Christians hope for?

What kind of persecution will you face in the future ?

**For Group 1.**

Do you think there is justice in the world? In other words, good people are rewarded and bad people punished?

In your opinion, do you think the world needs to be a fairer place? If you think it does then in your opinion who or what has the power to do make the world a fairer place?

How would you feel if your whole life and your private thoughts were displayed for Jesus and everyone to see? If God were to judge you fairly, do you think you deserved to be punished or forgiven?