## The Battle for the Human Heart

**Revelation 14** 

### **Predicting the Future**

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| Baylor                                         |                                                |                             | Wisconsin                               |
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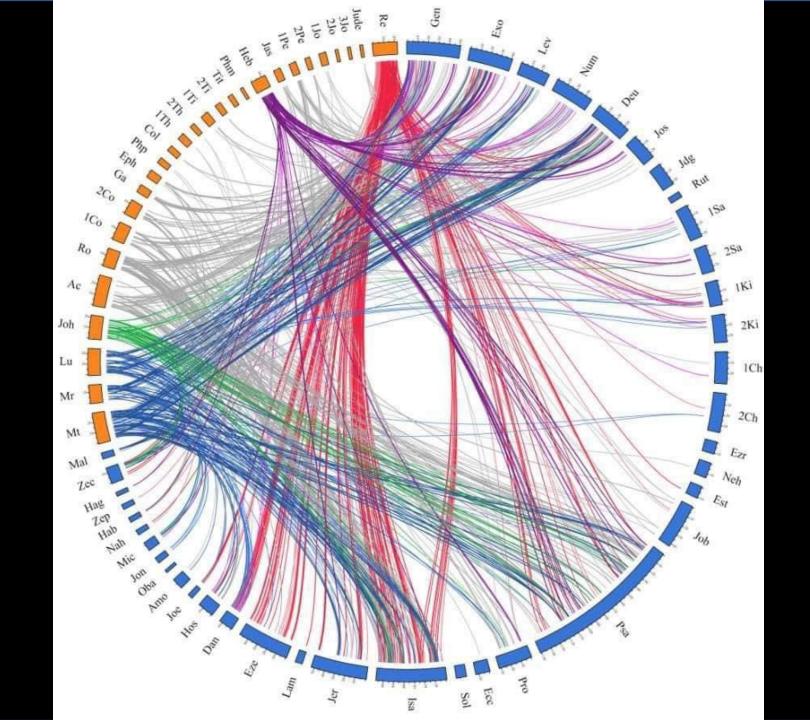
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### BEHOLD, I AM COMING QUICKLY! THE BOOK OF REVELATION

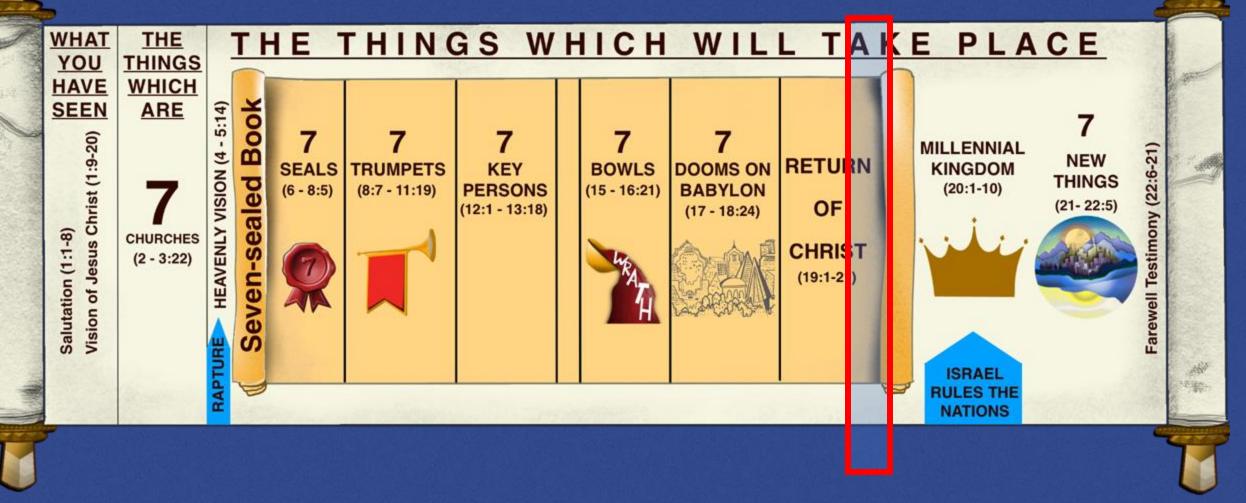
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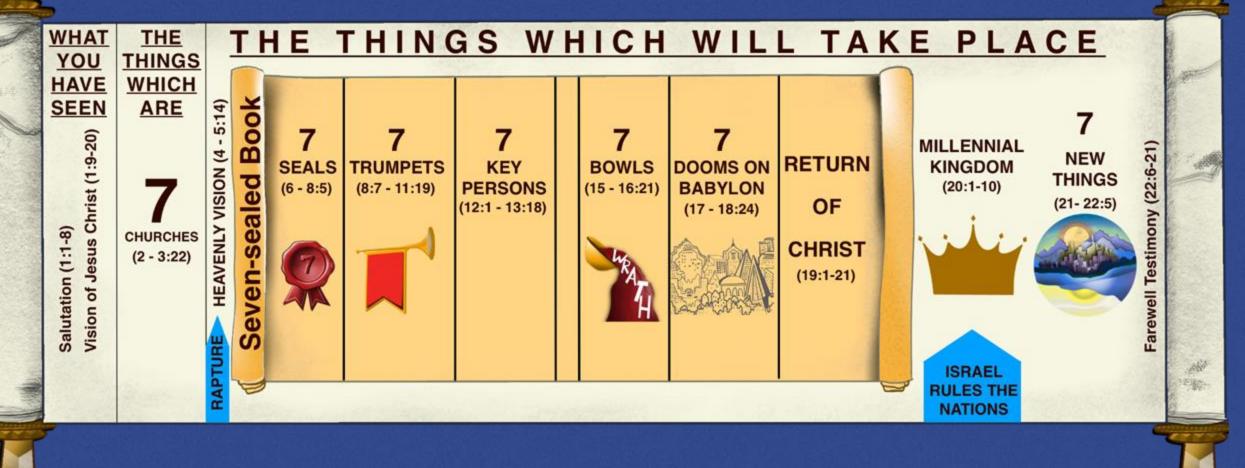
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# John's Revelation of the Future



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### Revelation 14 Outline – Battle for Humanity

- 144,000 Redeemed 1<sup>st</sup> Fruits: 1-5
- The 3 Angelic Messages: 6-13
- The Harvests of the Earth: 14-20

### 1-5: 144,000 Redeemed 1st Fruits

- 1. Then I looked, and there was the Lamb, standing on Mount Zion, and with him were 144,000 who had his name and his Father's name written on their foreheads.
- 2. I heard a sound from heaven like the sound of cascading waters and like the rumbling of loud thunder. The sound I heard was like harpists playing on their harps.
- 3. They sang a new song before the throne and before the four living creatures and the elders, but no one could learn the song except the 144,000 who had been redeemed from the earth.
- 4. These are the ones who have not defiled themselves with women, since they remained virgins. These are the ones who follow the Lamb wherever he goes. They were redeemed from humanity as the first fruits for God and the Lamb.
- 5. No lie was found in their mouths; they are blameless.

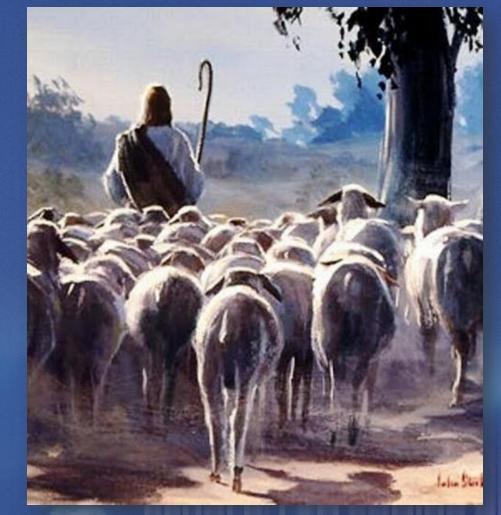
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14 Then I looked, and behold, on Mount Zion stood the Lamb, and with him 144,000 who had his name and his Father's name written on their foreheads.<sup>2</sup> And I heard a voice from heaven like the roar of many waters and like the sound of loud thunder. The voice I heard was like the sound of harpists playing on their harps, <sup>2</sup> And I saw <sup>3</sup> and they were singing a new song before the throne and before having the s the four living creatures and before the elders. No one could learn to the four a that song except the 144,000 who had been redeemed from the sea, <sup>3</sup> saying earth. <sup>4</sup> It is these who have not defiled themselves with women, for they are virgins. It is these who follow the Lamb wherever he goes. have sealed These have been redeemed from mankind as firstfruits for God and the Lamb, <sup>5</sup> and in their mouth no lie was found, for they are blameless.

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### 6-7: 1<sup>st</sup> Angelic Message – Eternal Gospel

- 6. Then I saw another angel flying high overhead, with the eternal gospel to announce to the inhabitants of the earth—to every nation, tribe, language, and people.
- 7. He spoke with a loud voice: "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come. Worship the one who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

<sup>3</sup> One of its heads seemed to have a mortal wound, but its mortal wound was healed, and the whole earth marveled as they followed the beast. <sup>4</sup> And they worshiped the dragon, for he had given his authority to the beast, and they worshiped the beast, saying, "Who is like the beast, and who can fight against it?"

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Isaiah 21:8-9 Vew American Standard Bible <sup>8</sup> Then the lookout called,

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Revelation 18:1-2 New American Standard Bible

**18** After these things I saw another angel coming down from heaven, having great authority, and the

"Lord, I stand continually by day on the ware earth was illuminated from his glory. <sup>2</sup> And he cried out And I am stationed every night at my guar Now behold, here comes a troop of riders And one said, "Fallen, fallen is Babylon; And all the images of her gods are shatter

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Jeremiah 3:6-10 English Standard Version

<sup>6</sup> The LORD said to me in the days of King Josiah: "Have you seen what she did, that faithless one, Israel, how she went up on every high hill and under every green tree, and there played the whore? <sup>7</sup> And I thought, 'After she has done all this she will return to me,' but she did not return, and her treacherous sister Judah saw it. <sup>8</sup> She saw that for all the adulteries of that faithless one, Israel, I had sent her away with a decree of divorce. Yet her treacherous sister Judah did not fear, but she too went and played the whore. <sup>9</sup> Because she took her whoredom lightly, she polluted the land, committing adultery with stone and tree. <sup>10</sup> Yet for all this her treacherous sister Judah did not return to me with her whole heart, but in pretense, declares the LORD."

### 9-13: 3<sup>rd</sup> Angelic Message – Mark of the Beast

- 9. And another, a third angel, followed them and spoke with a loud voice: "If anyone worships the beast and its image and receives a mark on his forehead or on his hand,
- 10. he will also drink the wine of God's wrath, which is poured full strength into the cup of his anger. He will be tormented with fire and sulfur in the sight of the holy angels and in the sight of the Lamb,
- 11. and the smoke of their torment will go up forever and ever. There is no rest day or night for those who worship the beast and its image, or anyone who receives the mark of its name.
- 12. This calls for endurance from the saints, who keep God's commands and their faith in Jesus."
- 13. Then I heard a voice from heaven saying, "Write: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on." "Yes," says the Spirit, "so they will rest from their labors, since their works follow them."

### **Eternal Destruction**

- Isaiah 66:22-24 ...And they shall go out and look on the dead bodies of the men who have rebelled against me. For their worm shall not die, their fire shall not be quenched, and they shall be an abhorrence to all flesh.
- Dan 12:1-2 ...And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.
- Matt 18:6-9 ... It is better for you to enter life crippled or lame than with two hands or two feet to be thrown into the eternal fire...
- Matt 25:31-46 ... "Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels.... And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."
- 2 Thes 1:5-10 ... They will suffer the punishment of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might...
- Jude 7 Just as Sodom and Gomorrah and the surrounding cities, which likewise indulged in sexual immorality and pursued unnatural desire, serve as an example by undergoing a punishment of eternal fire.
- Rev 20:10, 14-15 ... And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

### 12-13: Blessing for the Saints

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### 7 Blessings of Revelation

- 1:3 Blessed is the one who reads aloud, hears, and keeps the words of this prophecy
- 14:3 Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord
- 16:15 Blessed is the one who stays awake, keeping his garments on
- 19:9 Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lam
- 20:6 Blessed and holy is the one who shares in the first resurrection
- 22:7 Blessed is the one who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book
- 22:14 Blessed are those who wash their robes

### 14-16: The Son of Man's Harvest of the Earth

14. Then I looked, and there was a white cloud, and one like the Son of Man was seated on the cloud, with a golden crown on his head and a sharp sickle in his hand.

- 15. Another angel came out of the temple, crying out in a loud voice to the one who was seated on the cloud, "Use your sickle and reap, for the time to reap has come, since the harvest of the earth is ripe."
- 16. So the one seated on the cloud swung his sickle over the earth, and the earth was harvested.

### 14-16: The Son of Man...Cloud Rider

Daniel 7:13-14 English Standard Version <sup>13</sup> "I saw in the night visions,

and behold, with the clouds of heaven
there came one like a son of man,
and he came to the Ancient of Days
and was presented before him.
And to him was given dominion
and glory and a kingdom,
that all peoples, nations, and languages
should serve him;
his dominion is an everlasting dominion,
which shall not pass away,

and his kingdom one

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that shall not be destroyed.

Matthew 24:30-31 **English Standard Version** <sup>30</sup> Then will appear in heaven the sign of the Son of Man, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. <sup>31</sup> And he will send out h Revelation 1:7 and they w 7 Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and winds, fron every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

### 17-20: The Angel's Harvest of the Earth

17. Then another angel who also had a sharp sickle came out of the temple in heaven.

- 18. Yet another angel, who had authority over fire, came from the altar, and he called with a loud voice to the one who had the sharp sickle, "Use your sharp sickle and gather the clusters of grapes from the vineyard of the earth, because its grapes have ripened."
- 19. So the angel swung his sickle at the earth and gathered the grapes from the vineyard of the earth, and he threw them into the great winepress of God's wrath.

20. Then the press was trampled outside the city, and blood flowed out of the press up to the horses' bridles for about 180 miles.

### Harvests of the Earth

- One Harvest or Two?
- What Harvest and When?
- Harvest #1: 14-16
  - Pretribulation: Premillennial Harvest (Sheep & Goat Judgement)
  - Prewrath: Rapture
  - Posttribulation: Rapture
- Harvest #2
  - Christ's return with His Army...Clouds...White Horse
  - Judgement of God unleashed...Bowls full of God's wrath
    - Satan, Antichrist, False Prophet and all who worship Beast

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Joel 3:11-13 New American Standard Bible

Hasten and come, all you surrounding nations, And gather yourselves there. Bring down, O LORD, Your mighty ones. Let the nations be aroused And come up to the valley of Jehoshaphat, For there I will sit to judge All the surrounding nations. Put in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe. Come, tread, for the wine press is full; The vats overflow, for their wickedness is great.

### **Temple Mount**

### Mt. of Olives

### **Kidron Valley**

### **Crucial Choice for Worship**

### Beast

Antichrist – False Messiah False Lies Deception Control Arrogant **Blasphemies** Wonders Miracles Commander **Power from Satan** Authority from Satan Followed War against Saints

Jesus Christ – True Messiah, God True Right Just Accessible Humble (Lamb) Love and Wrath Wonders Miracles Commander Power from God Authority from God Followed War against Satan & Antichrist

### **Characteristics of Worshipers**

- Take the names of God and Jesus
- Songs of Praise
- Blameless
- Truth-tellers
- Followers of the Lamb
- Obedient
- Faith in Jesus
- Laborers
- Blessed

John 4:23 English Standard Version

<sup>23</sup> But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him.

### Daniel's Seventieth Week (Daniel 9:24-27)



Seventy "Sevens": 69 + 1 Week of 7 Years