

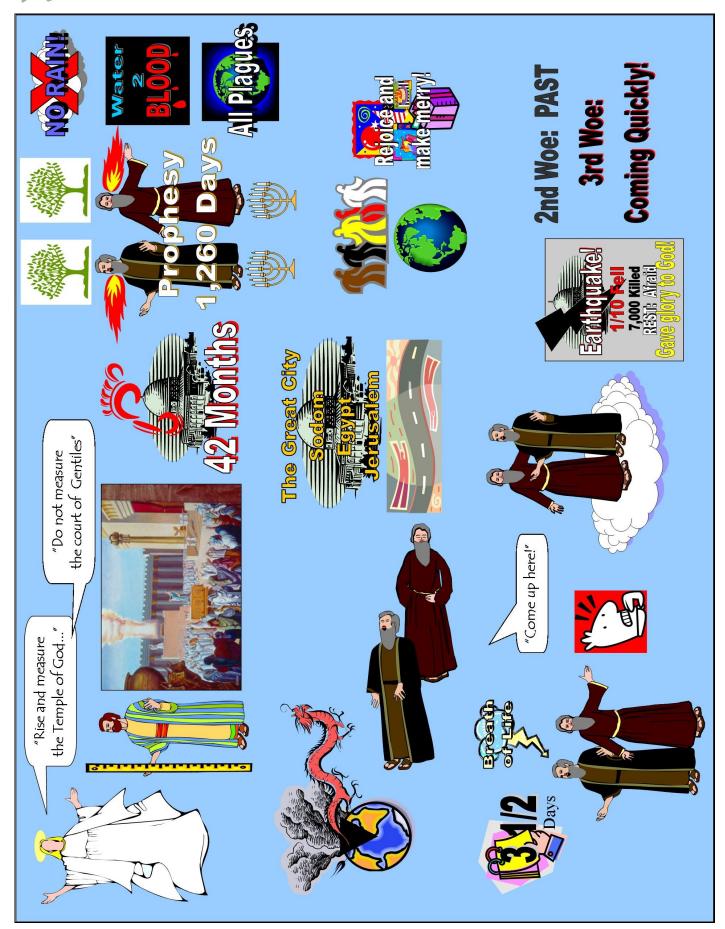


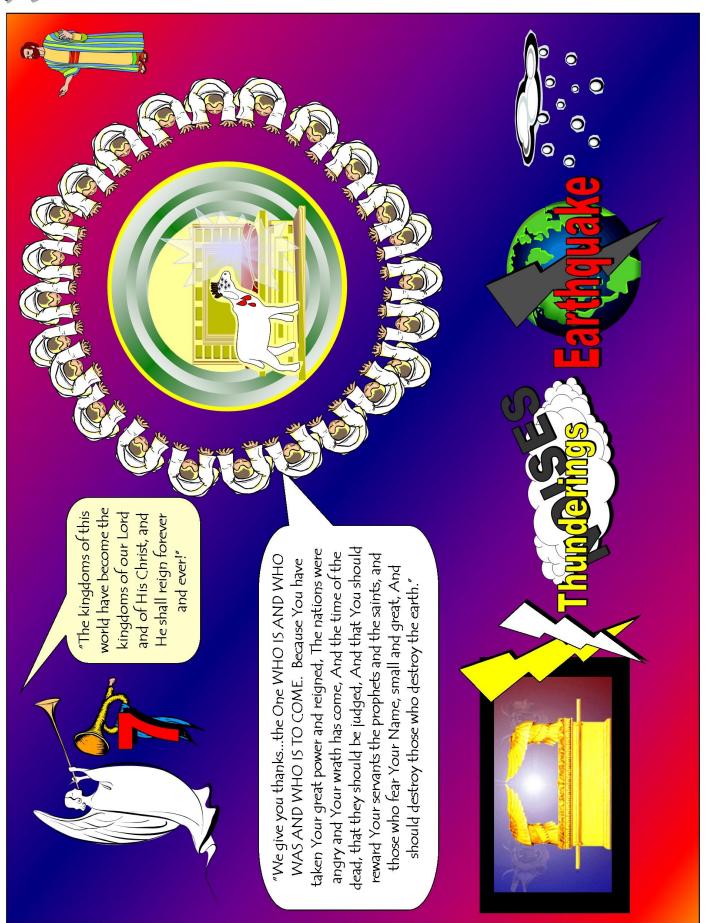


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# **CHAPTER SUMMARY**

- John given a reed, told to measure temple of God, the altar, and those who worship there, but omit outside court, given to the Gentiles.
- Gentiles will tread Jerusalem underfoot 42 months.
- God will give power to His "two witnesses," they will prophesy 1,260 days clothed in sackcloth.
- They are the "two olive trees and two lampstands standing before the God of the earth" (Zechariah 4:1-6)
- Power to kill opponents with fire, to shut heaven (no rain), to turn water to blood, strike earth/plagues.
- When testimony finished, beast from pit kills them. Bodies lay in the street, worldwide celebration
- After 3 1/2 days resurrected, everyone is afraid. "Come up here" - ascend to heaven
- Same hour great earthquake, 1/10 of city falls, 7,000 people killed, rest afraid, gave glory to God.
- 3rd woe coming.
- 7th angel sounds: loud voices (heaven) "The kingdoms of the world have become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever!"
- 24 elders praise God, **temple in heaven opened**, ark of covenant seen, more
  lightnings, noises, thunderings, another
  earthquake and great hail. ("...because you
  have taken Your great power and reigned.
  The nations were angry and Your wrath has
  come, and the time of the dead that they
  should be judged..." Last set of judgments
  coming, and with it wrath of God is
  complete!)

# Chapter 11: Temple Measured, Two Witnesses 7th Trumpet, Heaven opened



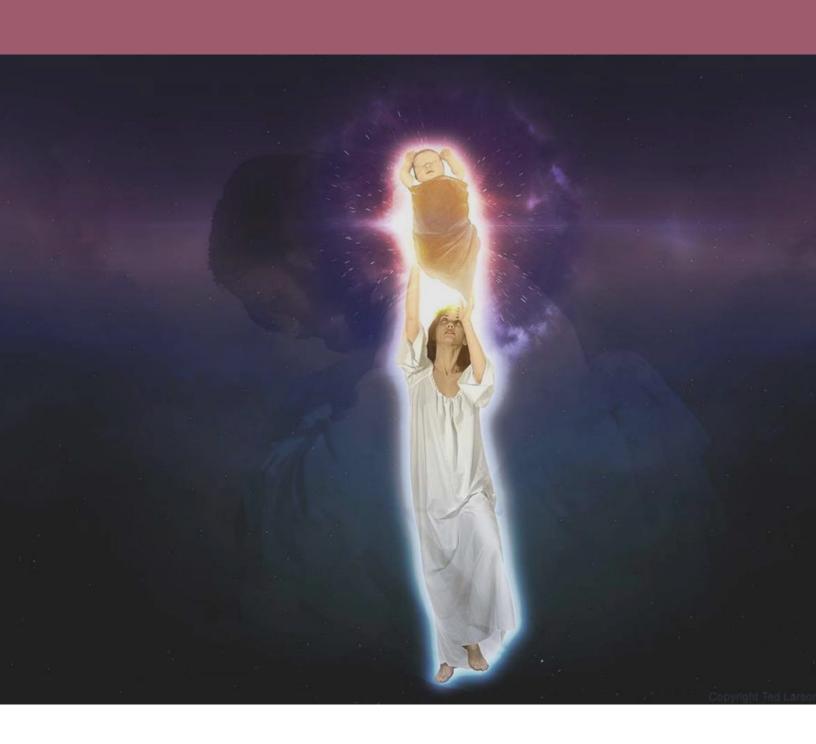


# **FOLLOW-UP**

1.	What is John really told to measure in verse 1? Why? (and how does that relate to you?) What was he told to leave out in verse 2? Why might that be significant?
2.	What are your thoughts about the identities of the two witnesses? Do we have other scriptural references that might match up with their abilities to have some clues to identify them? What?
3.	Here's a bit of a challenge that will take some research. Where else in scripture do we see someone being devoured by fire? What were the circumstances?
4.	In Revelation 11:8, the "great city" is figuratively called Sodom and Egypt. What do you know about each of these cities? Write down what each city was known for and why you think this description fits the "great city" at this time in John's vision.
5.	<b>READ Psalm 79.</b> How does this relate to Revelation 11:1-14?
6.	Here's an interesting project—Imagine you are a reporter in the city where the two witnesses have been witnessing, bringing plagues, and then killed. <i>Rewrite, as a journalist would, the events in Revelation 11:7-14</i> , complete with headlines. Remember this event is not in past ancient times, but in the future! Someday many will observe, report and read such an article. You decide from what position you will writeare you, as a reporter, perhaps an underground believer either Jew or Gentile? Or are you one of the "inhabitants of the earth" - part of wicked humanity who will never acknowledge Jesus? How you report these events will vary drastically, depending on your position.







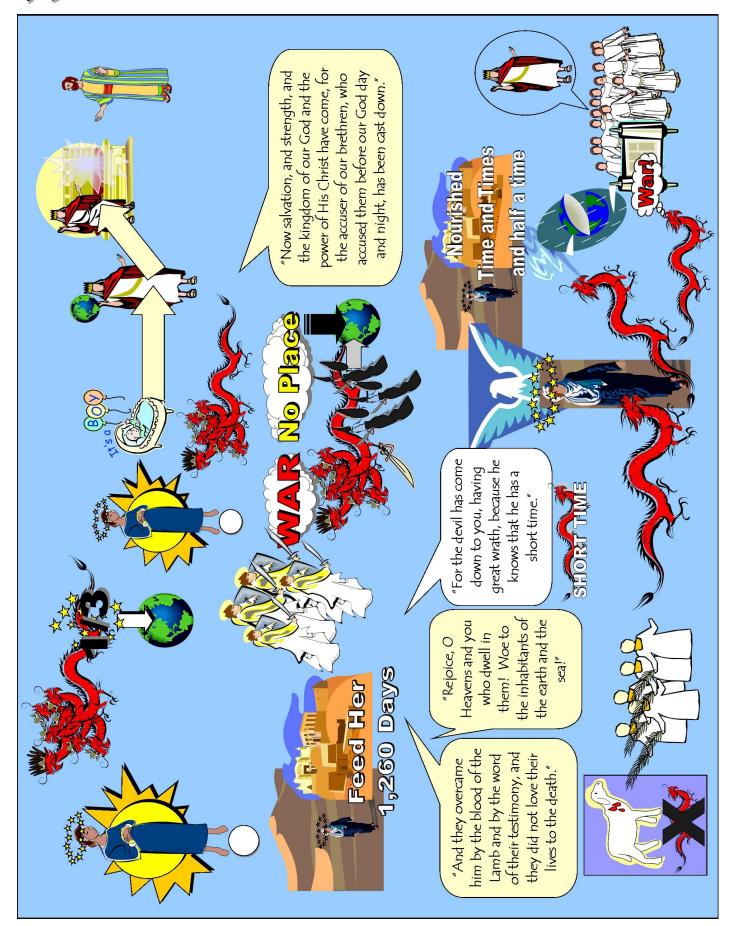




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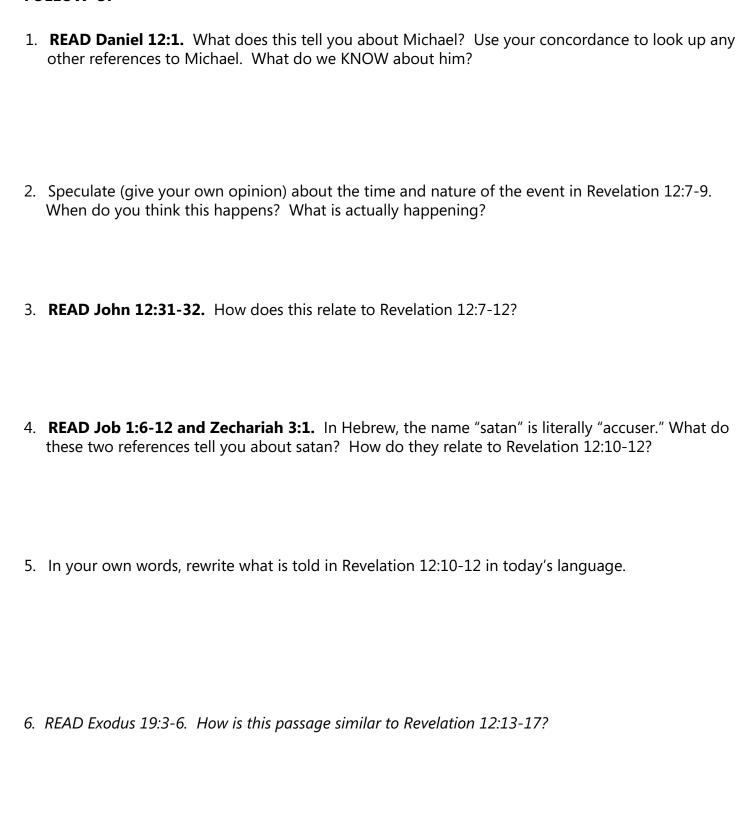
- Great sign appears in heaven, woman clothed with the sun, moon under her feet, garland of 12 stars, pregnant. In labor.
- Another sign in heaven, great fiery red dragon with 7 heads, 10 horns, 7 crowns.
   Tail draws 1/3 of stars in heaven and threw to earth. Dragon stood ready to devour woman's Child.
- Woman has a "male Child who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron." (Psalm 2:9).
- Child caught up to God and His throne.
- Woman flees to wilderness to place prepared for her by God. She will be fed there 1,260 days.
- Interpretation of this chapter critical to understanding all Revelation (woman is Israel, NO ONE ELSE! Son is Jesus, Red Dragon is Satan).
- War breaks out in heaven. Michael and his angels against the dragon and his angels.
- No place in heaven for enemies anymore.
   Cast out.
- Overcome enemy by the "blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony."
- Woe to inhabitants of earth and sea, devil has come down, very mad, knows his time is short.
- Dragon persecutes woman, woman given "wings of eagle," flees into wilderness away from serpent.
- Serpent spews "flood" but earth helps woman, swallows flood. Dragon enraged, makes war with "her offspring who keep commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ."

# Pregnant Woman, Red Dragon, The Son, War



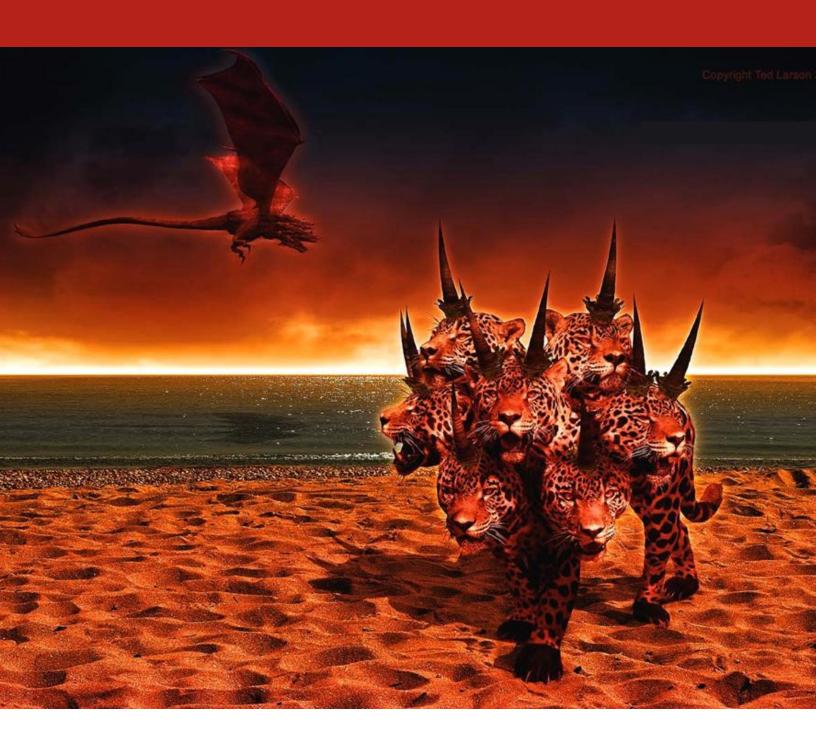



# **FOLLOW-UP**









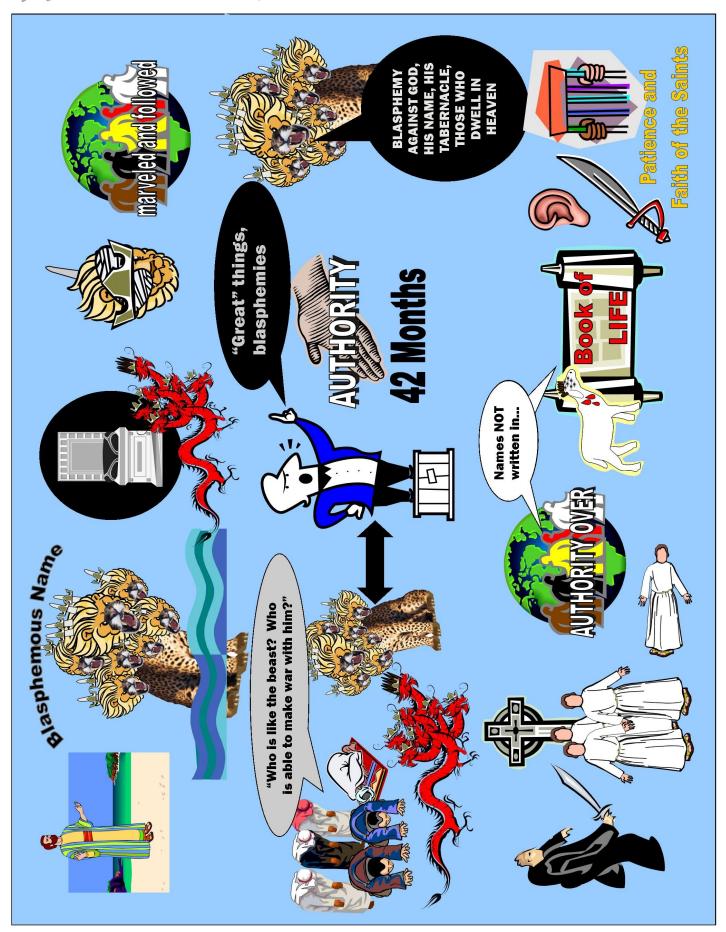


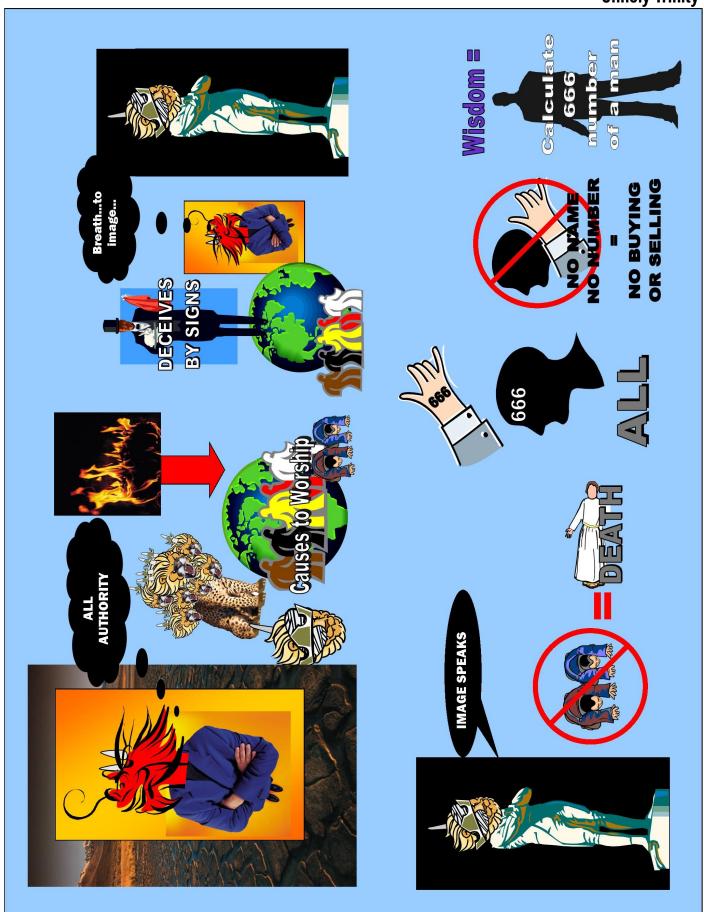


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# **CHAPTER SUMMARY**

# Part 1 (v1-10)

- Beast rises from the sea, with 7 heads and 10 horns, 10 crowns on the horns, and a blasphemous name on his heads.
- "Like" a leopard, feet like a bear, mouth like a lion.
- Dragon gave beast his power, his throne, great authority.
- One of beast's heads "as if" mortally wounded, but wound healed.
- Whole world marveled and followed beast, worshipped dragon and beast, saying "who is like the beast? Who is able to make war with him?"
- Beast given a mouth to speak pompous words, blasphemies, authority to continue for 42 months.
- Blasphemed against God, His name, His tabernacle, and those who dwell in heaven.
- Made war with saints.
- Given authority over every tribe, tongue, and nation. All "who dwell on the earth" worship him, whose names are not in Book of Life (of the Lamb)
- Saints encouraged to hold on, keep faith.

# Part 2 (v11-18)

- Another beast comes out of earth, with 2 horns like a lamb, but spoke like a dragon.
- Same authority as first beast, causes earth to worship 1st beast ("whose deadly wound was healed"), performs great signs, fire from heaven, deceives.
- 2nd beast orders "image" built of 1st beast, image speaks, kills those who don't worship.
- Causes all to receive a "mark" on right hand or on forehead, can't buy or sell without it.
- Number of the beast = number of man, 666. ("6" means incomplete. 7 means perfectly complete. 6 is one less than 7, so it is incomplete. 6 stands for mankind in scripture. The 3-6's are likely a symbol for the unholy trinity seen in this chapter [dragon and 2 beasts] and to indicate that the beasts are indeed men.)

Chapter	13:	<b>Dragon</b>	and	Two	<b>Beasts:</b>
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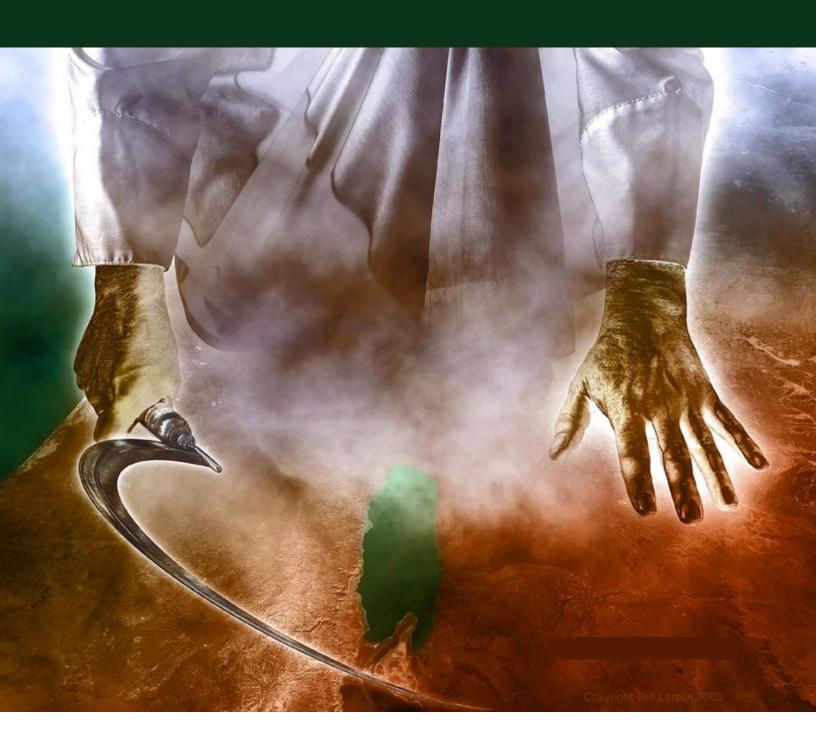



# **FOLLOW-UP**

1.	<b>READ Exodus 15:11</b> . Who said this? What is its context? How does it relate to Revelation 13:4?
2.	<b>READ all of Daniel, chapter 7.</b> This can be tough territory, but you can make an attempt here. Try to relate what you read in Daniel 7 to Revelation 13. Is there a relationship? Do you find anything in Daniel 7 that reminds you of these passages in Revelation? What are your comments? (you will need a lot more space than this!)
3.	As you read Daniel 7, what is your greatest impression (your personal thoughts)?
4.	<b>READ Matthew 25:34.</b> How does this relate to Revelation 13:8? What do these verses say to you, personally?
5.	What are the roles of the "inhabitants of the earth" and the "saints" in Revelation 13:7-10?
6.	What importance do you think Revelation 13:9 has, coming in the middle of this passage—considering we haven't heard it since the letters to the churches?
7.	What questions do you still have about this chapter?







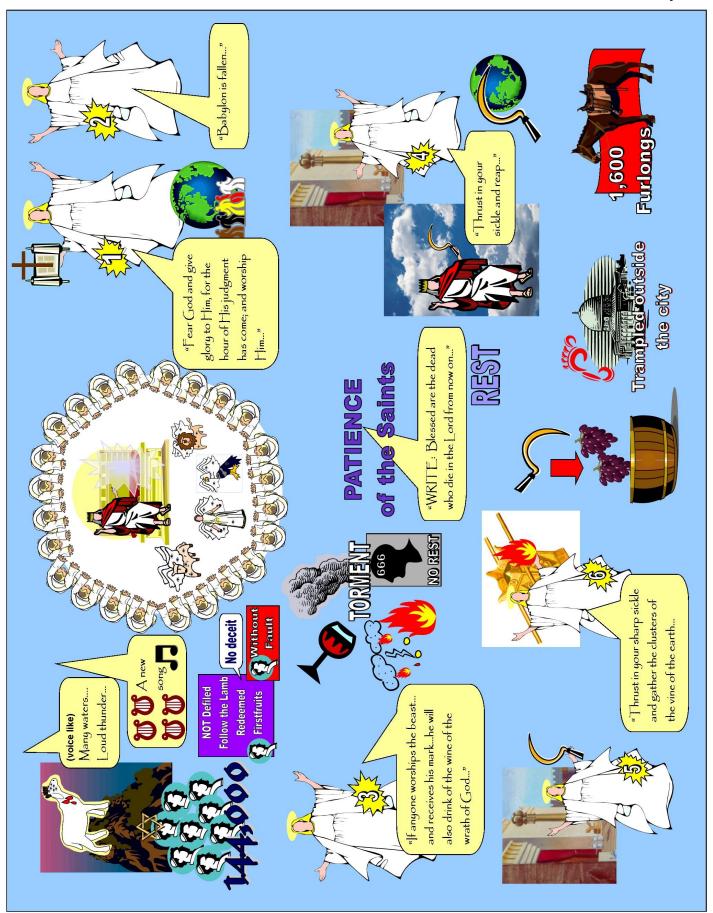




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## Revelation 14

### **CHAPTER SUMMARY**

## The Lamb and 144,000, Announcing Angels, Great harvests, The Winepress

•	<b>Lamb on Mount Zion, with 144,000</b> . Father's name on their foreheads.	
•	Multitude with harps <b>sing a "new song"</b> in heaven. Only 144,000 and redeemed could learn this song. 144,000 Identified as "virgins" and follow the Lamb wherever He goes.	
•	"Redeemed from among men" said to be "firstfruits" to God and the Lamb. No deceit in mouths, "without fault" before throne of God.	
•	Another flying angel in "the midst of heaven" with the "everlasting gospel to preach" to every nation, tribe, tongue and people. Angel announces "Fear God and give glory to Him, for the hour of His Judgment has come; and worship Him" (last judgments are coming).	
•	Another angel followed saying "Babylon is fallenbecause she has made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication."	
•	<b>3rd angel</b> says if anyone worships the beast/ image, and receives his mark, they will "drink of the wine of wrath of God" (poured out full strength!) and be tormented forever. Clear warning—don't take the mark of the beast!	
•	Change in tone, "patience of the saints" - "blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on." They will rest.	
•	Now John sees a white cloud, and "One like the Son of Man" sits on the cloud, golden crown on His head, holding sharp sickle. Another angel comes out of the temple in heaven and tells the "One" on the cloud to "thrust in your sickle and reapthe time has comethe harvest of the earth is ripe." And the earth is reaped. 1st harvest in this chapter (believers)	
•	Another angel from temple in heaven also with <b>sharp sickle</b> . And another (6th this chapter), with "power over fire" (altar of incense, prayers of saints), gives similar command to "thrust in your sharp sickle and gather clusters of vine of the earth, for her grapes are fully ripe." (evil has reached its peak). Angel does so, throws into the	
	"great winepress of the wrath of God." (Matthew 13:37-43) 2nd harvest.	
•	Winepress trampled "outside the city" and blood came out up to the horses bridles, 1600 furlongs (~ 180 miles, length of valley of Megiddo). See Isaiah 63:1-4, Joel 3:9-15	







### **FOLLOW-UP**

1.	Do some research on Mt. Zion. Use a concordance, a Bible dictionary or whatever you have
	available. Write, in brief, what the Bible says about Mt. Zion.

2. RE-READ Revelation chapter 7. Do you think this relates to Revelation 14:1-5? If so, how?

3. This chapter has several "scenes" or "events." Write your own title and very brief summary of those scenes/events in each of the following passages:

Scripture	Title of Passage	Events, Scenes Described (Summary)
14:1-5		
14:6-8		
14:9-13		
14:14-20		

4. What do you think the "eternal gospel" might be?

5. **READ Romans 1:18-32**. What do you think this passage might have to do with what we have been studying in Revelation, especially Revelation 14:6-8?

6. **READ Psalm 75:7-8, Jeremiah 25:15-16, and Jeremiah 51:6-9.** How do these verses relate to Revelation 14:10? What does this "cup" mean?

7. Revelation 14:13 is one of seven "blessings" in the this book. Do a little "concordance" research and **find all 7 blessings**. Write the scripture reference, and paraphrase each blessing in your own words.







# Revelation 15



HOMEWORK IS TOTALLY OPTIONAL! No excuses needed. But remember, the more you put in, the more you get out! (Note, these questions will be the same for all chapters. They are designed to prepare you for class, not to give you a complete study session.) You can use the note sheet provided to answer these questions if you need it, or use a journal or just write in your Bibles. Whatever works for you!



#### **CHAPTER PREPARATION:**

Read the entire chapter in as many versions as you can. Using a concordance, or any other resource, look up any words that seem to have various translations, or for which you are curious about original Greek meanings. Write them out.

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## Tribulation Saints praise, 7 angels with 7 last plagues, Ark of the Covenant seen





### **FOLLOW-UP**

1.	How is the vision	of the sea of	alass in	Revelation	15:2 different	from that in	Revelation 4:6
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2. **READ Exodus 15:1-8 and Deuteronomy 32:1-43.** These are the "Songs of Moses." How are these songs similar to and/or different from the Song of the Lamb?

3. There are seven "signs" in Revelation (*Greek word SEMEION*). It is variously translated as *sign*, wonder and miracle. Look up all 7 signs and write their basic content in today's language.

"Sign"	Description
12:1	
12:3	
13:13	
13:14	
15:1	
16:14	
19:20	

- 4. **READ Exodus 32:15-16 and Exodus 38:21**. How do these verses relate to Revelation 15? What was the tabernacle? Why was the tabernacle called the "tabernacle of the Testimony?"
- 6. In Revelation 15:2 the "victorious" are victorious over three things. What are they? What do you think is the differences between these three things?
- 7. READ Psalm 86:9-10. How does this compare to Revelation 15:4?



