

Daniel & Revelation End-time Prophecies Sermon Series
 Study #60: **First Angel's Message**
 Revelation 14:6, 7
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Remember the 144,000 (multiples of 12), represents a worldwide discipleship of Christ giving His end time messages.

In our previous study on Revelation 14:1 – 5 we looked at more characteristics of the 144,000:

- Possessed the character of God the Father (His name in their foreheads)
- Follow the footsteps of Jesus Christ, the Lamb
- Redeemed from the earth
- Not defiled or contaminated with false churches (women) – spiritual virgins
- First fruits of the harvest of the living
- No deceit in their mouths
- Without fault before God
- Make no excuses, obey in faith (true sheep)

What is the urgent central message or WAKE UP CALL of the book of Revelation?

Three Angels Message of Revelation 14:6 – 12 (While John is in vision he sees 3 Angels with an urgent message to the whole world.... let's read

Revelation 14:6 - 12

- 6 And I saw another angel [**1st Angel**] fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting **gospel to preach** unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people,
- 7 Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.
- 8 And there followed another angel [**2nd Angel**], saying, Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication.
- 9 And the third angel [**3rd Angel**] followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive *his* mark in his forehead, or in his hand,
- 10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:
- 11 And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name.
- 12 Here is the patience of the saints: here *are* they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.**

Angels (Gk) [*ang'-el-os*] = messengers of God

The urgent central message of these three angels reveals that God is moving mightily with His everlasting gospel bringing finality to the great controversy between good and evil. Bottomline: Christ reveals here that you have to make a final decision. Which side are you on? God's or Satan's.

For the next few studies these Three Angel's Messages will be the focus of our investigation.

Today, we are going to focus on the first angel's message in Revelation 14:6, 7.

What is the meaning of the first part of the first Angel's message?

Revelation 14:6

6 And I saw another angel [**1st Angel**] fly in the midst of heaven, having the **everlasting gospel to preach** unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people,

Preach (Gk) euaggelizō [yoo-ang-ghel-id'-zo]. From G2095 (good) and G32 (messenger of good tidings); To announce good news or evangelize, especially the gospel: - declare, bring (declare, show) glad (good) tidings, preach (the gospel).

Euggelizo = Evangelism!

What is the everlasting Gospel?

1- Everlasting [Perpetual / Eternal] – never will die!

2- Gospel (Gk) Good Message or Good News!

In general, the everlasting gospel of the eternal good news of Jesus Christ.

Romans 1:16

16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation (Gk: Rescue) to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

Everlasting Gospel is the power of God unto salvation for all that believe!

Everlasting Gospel leads to everlasting life!

John 3:15, 16, 17

15 That whosoever believeth in him (Jesus) should not perish, but have eternal life.

16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

17 For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

Romans 6:23

23 For the wages of sin *is* death; but the gift of God *is* eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THE EVERLASTING GOSPEL IS TOTAL VICTORY OVER SIN!

John 16:33

33 These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.

1 John 4:4

4 Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because **greater is he that is in you**, than he that is in the world.

1 John 5:4

4 For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, *even* our faith.

Revelation 21:7

7 He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.

1 John 3:9

9 Whosoever is **born of God** doth **not commit sin**; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.

What warning does the Bible give about “another” false gospel?

Galatians 1:7 - 9

7 Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would **pervert the gospel of Christ**.

8 But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, **let him be accursed**.

9 As we said before, so say I now again, If any *man* preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, **let him be accursed**.

The False Gospel is...

1 – 2 Timothy 3:5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof.... [Denying the power of God unto salvation]

2 - You cannot have total victory over sin... you will NEVER be perfect

3 – You serve the world and Jesus

4 – It's okay for the church to dress, sing, dance, rap, shout, eat, and party like the world

5 – All “good” people who do “good” works for Jesus even though still in sin will go to heaven

6 – Following the traditions of man instead of the Bible truth

False gospel found in Babylon.... Promoted by the beast and his image. Those who except this false gospel will receive the mark of the beast... WOW? You need to know the truth for yourself!

ALSO, the True Everlasting is the REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST!**Galatians 1:10 - 12**

10 For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ.

11 But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man.

12 For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught *it*, but **by the revelation of Jesus Christ**.

“The revelation of Jesus Christ” is at the beginning the book of Revelation (Revelation 1:1). Jesus is the center of the everlasting gospel and Bible prophecy!

Review: The true everlasting gospel is...

1- Everlasting life through faith in Jesus

2- Free gift

3- Total victory over sin!

4- Revelation of Jesus Christ!

5 - The power of God unto salvation

What is the main message of the first angel?**Revelation 14:7**

7 Saying with a **loud voice (sense of urgency!)**, **Fear God**, and **give glory to him**; for the **hour of his judgment is come**: and **worship him** that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.

The first angel reveals the standard of God's true church and true worship.

What are the four parts of the first angel's message?

1. **Fear God - To Fear God** is to reverence God with love and obedience by keeping ALL His commandments and hating evil.
2. **Give Glory to God** – Reflect the character of God in what we eat, drink and ALL that we do. (1 Corinthians 10:31 Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.)
3. **Hour of His Judgment is COME** - Judgment (krisis) (kree'-sis)
(Subjectively or objectively, for or against); by extension a tribunal; by implication justice (specifically divine law): - accusation, condemnation, damnation, judgment

Paul in Acts 24:25 taught about the “judgment to come”, but Revelation reveals that we are living in the judgment.

What are the three phases of judgment?

- 1) Investigative (since 1844, review 2300 prophecy study #14 “Investigative Judgment” Daniel 8:14)
- 2) Sentencing (determining the amount of punishment they receive) (future)
- 3) Executive (punishment) – destruction of the wicked with hell fire (future)

2 Corinthians 5:10

10 For we must **all** appear before the **judgment seat of Christ**; that every one may receive the things *done* in *his* body, according to that he hath done, whether *it be* good or bad.

Jude 1:14

14 And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints,

15 To **execute judgment** upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard *speeches* which ungodly sinners have spoken against him.

How should we stand in the time of Judgment?

1 John 4:17

17 Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness (assurance / confidence) in the **day of judgment**: because as he is, so are we in this world.

Why did the people of God in Jeremiah's day ignore their time of judgment and God's coming punishment?

Jeremiah 8:5 - 7

5 Why *then* is this people of Jerusalem slidden back by a perpetual backsliding? **they hold fast deceit, they refuse to return.**

6 I hearkened and heard, *but* they spake not aright: no man repented him of his wickedness, saying, **What have I done?** every one turned to his course, as the horse rusheth into the battle.

7 Yea, the stork in the heaven knoweth her appointed times; and the turtle and the crane and the swallow observe the time of their coming; but my people **know not the judgment of the LORD.**

They ignored the truth of the judgment because they believed a LIE. They continued to live in deception because they continued to live in sin.

We are living in a CRUCIAL and DECISIVE POINT NOW!!! What are you going to do?

(Let's now look at the fourth point of the first angel's message...)

4. **Worship God** – who? The Creator of heaven, earth, and the sea.

What is worship?

Worship (Greek) – *proskuneō* [*pros-koo-neh'-o*] : meaning to *kiss*, like a dog *licking* his master's hand; to *fawn* or *crouch to*, that is, (literally or figuratively) *prostrate* oneself in homage (*do reverence to, adore*): - worship.

Fawn: 1. To exhibit affection or attempt to please, as a dog does by wagging its tail. (freedictionary.com)

What is the foundational message of the first angels message?

The foundation of the first angels message in Revelation 14:7 is who do you worship? This will be the final test. **Where are your affections and loyalty? Do you truly worship God based on Bible truth? Or is your worship based on man's thoughts and traditions?**

Whose hand are you kissing? You can only have one master.

1 Corinthians 10:21

21 Ye cannot drink the cup of the Lord, and the cup of devils: ye cannot be partakers of the Lord's table, and of the table of devils.

Matthew 6:24

24 **No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.**

What does the first angel's message reveal about worship?

You cannot truly worship God without fearing God and giving him glory... Total obedience and adoration to the Creator God.

What is true worship?

Ecclesiastes 12:13

13 Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: **Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man.**

John 14:15

15 **If ye love me, keep my commandments.**

John 15:10

10 **If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love.**

1 John 2:3 - 5

3 And hereby we do know that we know him, if we **keep his commandments.**

4 He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.

5 But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him.

1 John 5:2, 3

2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments.

3 For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous.

Revelation 22:14

14 Blessed *are* they that **do his commandments**, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.

There is NO true worship if there is NO obedience to ALL of God's commandments through the power of Jesus Christ.

The Ten Commandments and the first angels message refer to the Creator as the One that "made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters"? Which commandment has the seal of the Creator God, the one who we MUST worship in Spirit and in Truth.

3 Elements of a legal seal 1. Name 2. Title 3. Territory

4th Commandment:**Exodus 20:8-11**

8 Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.

9 Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work:

10 But the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates:

11 For in six days **the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is**, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.

- **The fourth commandment reveals the seal of God. It reveals his Title: Lord (Jehovah/self existent one), His position (Creator) and His jurisdiction (heaven, earth, sea and all)**
- **The first angels message reveals who we are to obey – that is God the creator.**
- **If we are obedient to God's fourth commandments in spirit and in truth along with the other nine we will not be diverted from the true worship of God!**
- **The 4th Commandment is ALL about who you worship the creator God or Not...**

Why did God give us His Holy Sabbath Rest?**Ezekiel 20:12**

12 Moreover also I gave them my sabbaths, to be a sign between me and them, that they might know that I *am* the LORD that sanctify them.

Ezekiel 20:20

20 And hallow my sabbaths; and they shall be a sign between me and you, that ye may know that I *am* the LORD your God.

Sign (Hebrew) = Monument or evidence

The keeping of the Seventh-day Sabbath reveals who you truly worship. The tradition of man or God. It is a weekly commemoration of God creation and saving power. It is also an everlasting sign between you and God.

What is the meaning of the second angel's message? To be continued...

Fulfillment of Bible Prophecy Revelation 13:11: USA Government the Beast with two lamb-like horns continues to merge church and state

Latest updates

DeVos Moves to Ease Church-State Rules in Education

March 11, 2019, New York Times - <https://www.nytimes.com/2019/03/11/us/politics/betsy-devos-religious-restrictions-education.html>

“Education Secretary Betsy DeVos announced Monday that she will no longer enforce a provision in federal law that bars religious organizations from providing federally funded educational services to private schools. The move comes after the 2017 Supreme Court decision, [Trinity Lutheran Church of Columbia Inc. v. Comer](#), in which the high court found that Missouri had unconstitutionally engaged in religious discrimination when it denied a church-run preschool publicly funded tire scraps for its playground.”

“The Trinity Lutheran decision reaffirmed the long-understood intent of the First Amendment to not restrict the free exercise of religion,” Ms. DeVos said in a statement. “Those seeking to provide high-quality educational

services to students and teachers should not be discriminated against simply based on the religious character of their organization.”

“When the leading churches of the United States, uniting upon such points of doctrine as are held by them in common, shall influence the state to enforce their decrees and to sustain their institutions, then Protestant America will have formed an image of the Roman hierarchy, and the infliction of civil penalties upon dissenters will inevitably result.” Ellen White, *Great Controversy*, p. 445

“In the movements now in progress in the United States to secure for the institutions and usages of the church the support of the state, Protestants are following in the steps of papists. Nay, more, they are opening the door for the papacy to regain in Protestant America the supremacy which she has lost in the Old World. And that which gives greater significance to this movement is the fact that the principal object contemplated is the enforcement of Sunday observance--a custom which originated with Rome, and which she claims as the sign of her authority.” *ibid* p. 573