# 3 Angels Message Series The Urgency Of The Everlasting Gospel Bible Sermon Notes By Pastor O. Cary Rodgers

#### Introduction

# Time to wake up. Jesus is coming. Are you ready?

#### Romans 13:11 - 14

- **11** And that, knowing the time, that now *it is* high time to awake out of sleep: for now *is* our salvation nearer than when we believed.
- 12 The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light.
- 13 Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering [laying down/cohabitation] and wantonness [lack of morals, lose living especially sexual], not in strife and envying.
- 14 But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision[forethought/supply "food"] for the flesh, to *fulfil* the lusts *thereof*.

# **Ephesians 5:14 - 18**

- **14** Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light.
- 15 See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise,
- 16 Redeeming the time, because the days are evil.
- 17 Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord *is*.
- 18 And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit;

# Why is there an urgency to be sober and awaken out of our spiritual sleep!?

**1 Peter 5:8** Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:

**Revelation 12:12** .... Woe to the inhabiters of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.

**Matthew 24:44** Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.

Does God keep his people in the dark or does He reveal the truth about the signs, events, and things that will take place before the Second Coming of Jesus Christ? Does he want you to be shocked or taken off guard?

**Amos 3:7** Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets.

So if I want to be in the light of God's "secrets" I must study the prophecies of God's prophets!

Prophecy = prediction = history given to us in advance. God reveals to us His moves and Satan's (The enemy) moves.

# Jesus is the center of Bible prophecy.

**Revelation 19:10** .... " for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy."

The Spirit of Prophecy = Testimony of Jesus

ALL BIBLE PROPHECY IS CENTERED ON JESUS!

What He has done in the past; what He is doing presently and what he will do in the future.

What is the first rule of studying Bible prophecy?

**2 Peter 1:20** Knowing this **first**, that **no prophecy** of the scripture is of any private interpretation.

Let the Bible be it's own prophecy interpreter – especially when it comes to the prophetic symbols of the Bible.

What does God give to those who study the book of Revelation and do what is written in it? Revelation 1:3 Blessed *is* he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time *is* at hand.

What is the warning for adding or taking away words from the book of Revelation (totally misapplying its words)?

# **Revelation 22:18, 19**

18 For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall **add** unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book:

19 And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and *from* the things which are written in this book.

Who and what is the prophetic book of Revelation about?

#### Revelation 1:1, 2

**1** The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified *it* by his angel unto his servant John: Rev 1:2 Who bare record of the word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and of all things

that he saw. (John was a disciple of Christ)

Who? The Revelation of Jesus

What? Things which must shortly come to pass

Message Order: God > Jesus > Angel > John the prophet

What is the meaning of the word "revelation"?

RevelationGK word: apokalupsis | ap-ok-al'-oop-sis

From <u>G601</u>; *disclosure:* - appearing, coming, lighten, manifestation, <u>be revealed</u>, revelation. Same meaning throughout the New Testament scriptures....

There are NO secrets in revelation. It is a revealing of the TRUTH! A revealing of the character and plans of Jesus Christ.

# The Revelation of Jesus theme is found throughout the New Testament, let's explore...

# Revealed = Revelation

#### 1 Peter 1:3,4,5,12,13

- 3 Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.
- 4 To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you,
- 5 Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be **revealed** in the last time.
- 12 Unto whom it was <u>revealed</u>, that not unto themselves, but unto us they did minister the things, which are now reported unto you by them that have preached the gospel unto you with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven; which things the angels desire to look into.
- 13 Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the **revelation [ap-ok-al-oop-sis]** of Jesus Christ;

# Do you know the Greek word for "revealed"?

Revealed GK word: apokalupto [ap-ok-al-oop'-to] From G575 and G2572; to take off the cover, that is, disclose.

# **Ephesians 1:15 - 19**

- 15 Wherefore I also, after I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus, and love unto all the saints,
- 16 Cease not to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers;
- 17 That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:
- 18 The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,
- 19 And what *is* the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,

# Ephesians 3:1 - 6

- 1 For this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles,
- 2 If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me to you-ward:
- 3 How that by **revelation** he made known unto me the mystery; (as I wrote afore in few words,
- 4 Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ)
- **5** Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit;
- 6 That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel:

# 1 Corinthians 2:9, 10

- 9 But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.
- **10** But God hath <u>revealed</u> them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.

Remember the prophetic book of Revelation is about the revealing of Christ in all His splendor and what MUST shortly come to past. God does not want to keep His people in the dark.

# 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 [1<sup>st</sup> 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 [2<sup>nd</sup> 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 [3<sup>rd</sup> 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 reveal that God moving is 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.

The study of these Three Angels Message is the main focus of the series.

What is the everlasting gospel? When will the judgment take place? What is true worship,? How does the Sabbath relate to the last day? Who is Babylon? Who is the beast and his image? What is the mark of the beast? Who or what is 666? Does the beast exist today?

The Three Angels message is a great introduction to the prophetic end time messages found in the book of Daniel and Revelation.

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

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

# **Euggelizo = Evangelism!**

#### What did this first angel have?

The EVERLASTING GOSPEL - TO EVANGELIZE THE WORLD

#### What is the everlasting Gospel?

- 1- Everlasting [Perpetual / Eternal] never will and can die!
- 2- Gospel (Gk) Good Message or Good News!

**Eternal Good News** 

**Romans 1:16** 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!**

#### John 3:15, 16, 17

- 15 That whosoever believeth in him 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.
- 7 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

Romans 6:23 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** 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** 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** For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, *even* our faith.

**Revelation 21:7** He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.

# 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 2Ti 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 can 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 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 Gospel 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 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

It must be preached to ALL the world....