UPCOMING SCHEDULE

6:30pm, Nov 13 | *Hope **Keeps** Rising* (group study of Daniel 1)
6:30pm, Nov 20 | *Hope **Keeps** Rising* (group study of Daniel 6)

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DISCOVERY TIME

1. If you had one message to get across to the world, what would it be?
2. Read **Revelation 14:6-12** and ask:
   a. How would you articulate the big idea of each of the three angel's messages in a sentence or less?
   b. In light of the devil's end-time deceptions, what about these messages is particularly relevant to the world? relevant to you personally?

Revelation 12, 13, & 14 present the very center of God's revelation of Jesus. Chapter 12 portrays snapshots of the conflict between good & evil from the very beginning to the end of time (Session 5). Chapter 13 opens up Satan's end-time playbook, pointing to two end-time counterfeits to lead people away from knowing Jesus (Session 7-9). Thankfully, Revelation 14 assures us that God will in fact respond with a redemptive rescue operation to prepare people for the second coming of Jesus! In this portion of the vision, we see God's people (14:1-5) proclaiming God's messages (14:6-12) that ripen hearts for God's harvest (14:14-16). If the three angels' messages of Revelation 14:6-12 are the catalyst for moving people toward readiness for Jesus' return, they surely are what the world needs now.

WHAT DO THEY SAY?

- ☐ Revelation 14:7—Judgment has come, so fear _____.
- ☐ Revelation 14:8—Babylon has gone _____.
- ☐ Revelation 14:9-12—Beware of the beast, and don't get its _____!

WHAT DO THEY MEAN?

- Revelation 14:6-7 — The first angel articulates the everlasting gospel as an extension of three appeals to those are worshiping the beast (see Rev. 13:8).
  - These appeals are an invitation to fully surrender to and rely upon God alone.
  - _____ experience illustrates the heart behind these appeals (see Gen. 22:12, 10; Rom. 4:19-21).
- Revelation 14:8 — God names the beast to whom many have misdirected their worship: Babylon, thus identifying its essence (see Gen 11:1-9) and declaring it as fallen.
  - Historically, the beast represents the apostate form of Christianity in the medieval era that exercised spiritual authority by relying upon civil power. (Session 7)
  - In principle, this beast represents all human effort to put _____ in God's place, pursuing heavenly goals by human power, a form of religion that only results in broken relationship with God.
- Revelation 14:9-11 — The third angel's loud warning consists of 1) the condition of persisting to worship the beast (v. 9), and 2) the eternal consequences of doing so in both the future tense and the presence tense (vv. 10-11)
  - "shall also drink" — the future fate of eternal destruction is a "cup" that has been drained before (Mt. 26:38, 42) and need not be again!
  - "have no rest" — a present tense reality when one refuses to come to Jesus (see Mt. 11:28).
- Bottom line: These are the same messages spoken with increased intensity: Look to _____!
- Revelation 14:12 — These messages are intended to move worshipers of the beast to become enduring saints awaiting the return of Jesus, people who live a life of complete obedience to Jesus that grows out of complete trust in Jesus, not ourselves.

NOW WHAT?

- Hebrews 12:1-2 — Paul agrees with the three angels of Revelation 14. The way to endure to the end is to fix our eyes on Jesus.
- Matthew 24:14 — This message is our mission. God is looking for people who will give these messages to the ends of the earth, and then the end will come.
- Matthew 24:14—"as a witness" — This is a message to not only know intellectually but to experience personally. When we look to Jesus, the everlasting gospel will be shared not as mere information but as life demonstration. Will we live these messages so we can give these messages?

PERSONAL REFLECTION



Attention | What caught my attention tonight?

Connection | How does this connect with my life right now?

Invitation | What is God inviting me to do in response?