

THE SECOND COMING Part 3

Revelation 14:14-20

Reaping The Harvest of the Earth (Rev. 14:14-20)

Introduction

Revelation 14:14-20 is a proleptic summary of what is to be described in more detail in chapters fifteen through twenty.

This upcoming harvest of the earth has been predicted for centuries. Examples:

- Isaiah 2:12-22
- Isaiah 13:9-13
- Isaiah 63:1-6
- Joel 2:30-3:1-3, and 12-17
- Matthew 13:35-42
- Matthew 24:37-41

The Harvest of the Grain (Rev. 14:14-16)

One like a Son of Man = an obvious reference to Messiah Jesus. – Dan. 7:13-14

- “A Son of Man” as opposed to “The Son of Man” makes the connection with Daniel 7:13-14.
 - Compare with Rev. 10:7

“Son of Man” was the title most used by Jesus referring to Himself. Examples: Mat. 8:20, 9:6, 10:23, 12:8, 12:32, 12:40, 13:37-41, 16:13, 16:27-28, 17:9-12, 17:22-23, 19:28, 20:18, 20:28, 24:27-30, 24:37, 24:44, 25:31, and 26:2.

Having a golden crown = crown (stephanos) a crown of victory emblematic of His coming conquest over His enemies – Rev. 19:11 – 20:2

A sharp sickle in His hand (14) = see verses 15 & 16

- Another angel announces that it is time to reap the harvest (15)
- Swung His sickle over the earth (16) = cutting down everything in its path.
 - Described in Rev. 16:1- 20:2

The Harvest of the Grapes (Rev. 14:17-20)

Another angel (17) = Not the Son of Man.

And another angel, the one who has power over fire, came out from the altar (18) = compare with Rev. 8:1-6

The great wine press of the wrath of God (19) = speaks of the full force of God's wrath.

Rev. 14:20 = refers to the slaughter that will take place at Armageddon – Rev. 19:11-21

- “The wine press of the fierce wrath of God, the Almighty” - Rev. 19:15

Outside the city = Rev. 16:16, Joel 3:12-17

Closing thought: The mission of the Church = Mat 9:35-38