

Midweek Bible Study

An Exposition of Revelation The Lamb with His Fair Army Rev. 14:1-5

14:1-5 = The Lamb with His 144,000, celebrating their perseverance and victory in the Lamb.

14:6-11 = the messages of the three angels

The eternal gospel; the fall of Babylon; the destruction of beast worshipers

14:12-13 – perseverance and blessedness of the saints

14:14-20 – God’s wrath poured out in final judgment

15:1-4 – celebration in heaven of those who were victorious over the beast

Song of Moses and of the Lamb

In 14:1-5 we see powerful contrasts

I. The Lamb on Mt Zion with the 144,000 (1)

A. Then I looked and behold

B. The Lamb standing on Mt Zion

a. Standing = risen, reigning, standing in victory, the Lamb is the ultimate Victor, the ultimate Conqueror.

b. Mt Zion – this is the heavenly Zion, not lit Zion

Heb. 12:22-24

Zion has a deepening significance in Scripture

C. With Him, the 144,000

II. They Sang a New Song (2-3)

A. And I heard – John sees them, now he hears them!

B. A voice – not God, or an angel, but the collective voice of the redeemed in worship!

C. Loud! Many waters. Sound of mega-thunder

D. Melodious! Massive joy and gladness! Eruption of loud, melodious glorious praise!

E. A new song – Expression of victory, a fresh act of deliverance

Psa. 33:3; 40:3; 96:1; 98:1; 144:9; 149:1; Isa. 42:10



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III. The Description of the 144,000 (4-5)

- A. They are virgins
 - a. Not defiled themselves with women
 - b. For they are virgins

- B. They follow the Lamb wherever He goes
John 10:4, 8, 16, 27
The call of discipleship! Matt. 16:24-26

- C. The first fruits to God and to the Lamb

- D. No lie in their mouths/blameless
 - 1. Integrity in speech and truthfulness in witness

 - 2. Blameless – their walk matches their talk. No charge sticks.

Conclusion

