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#### **REVELATION CHAPTER 14:8-13**

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#### THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

## HEAVENLY VISIONS MAKE FOR EARTHLY ANNOUNCEMENTS — PART 4

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INTRODUCTION

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# Chapter 14, Is both a Parenthetical Overview and a Continuing Outline of the Events that Make up the Tribulation Period

I.) The events that follow the tribulation (ending)

vv.1-5

II.) The events that complete the tribulation (closing) vv.6

### III.) The events that make up the tribulation (consisting) v.8-13

Why will there be a Global, Worldwide Tribulation That will Engulf All of Mankind, Why?

What will be the Justification of This Horrific Eternal Punishment!

One Word = **Rejection!** 

#### Matthew 23:37

"O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing! = Rejection!

#1
Mankind's Rejection of God's Rule

#2
Mankind's Rejection of God's Will

#3
Mankind's Rejection of God's Son

#4
Mankind's Rejection of God's Word

Student of the Bible, Understand This...

Understanding the Future Events of the Bible, We Must Recognize Two (2) Very Important Divisions...

There is God's Dealings with The Gentile Nations of the World

And There is God's Dealings with the Nation of Israel

#### **Daniel 9:24-27**

"Seventy weeks (or seventy sets of seven or 490) are determined For your people (the Jews) and for your holy city, (Jerusalem) To finish the transgression, (at the cross) To make an end of sins, (at the cross) To make reconciliation for iniquity, (at the cross) To bring in everlasting righteousness, (the millennial reign) To seal up vision and prophecy, (fulfillment of scripture) ...And to anoint the Most Holy. (the ushering in of eternity) :25 "Know therefore and understand, That from the going forth of the command To restore and build Jerusalem (march 14, 445 b.c.) Until Messiah the Prince, (april 6, 32 a.d.) There shall be seven weeks (seven sets of seven or 49) and sixty-two weeks; (sixty two sets of seven or 434) The street shall be built again, and the wall, Even in troublesome times. :26 "And (but) after the sixty-two weeks (sixty two sets of seven or 434) the Messiah shall be cut off, but not for Himself; And the people of the prince who is to come Shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end of it shall be with a flood, And till the end of the war desolations are determined. :27 Then he shall confirm a covenant with many for one week; (one set of seven or 7) But in the middle of the week (times, time and a half of time or 3½ or 42 months) He shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall be one who makes desolate, Even until the consummation, which is determined, Is poured out on the desolate."

### Verse 24 - The Determination must equal 490

**Phase One** of the Determination is in Verse 25 = 7 weeks or seven sets of seven = 49 years **Phase Two** of the Determination is in Verse 25 = 62 weeks or sixty two sets of seven = 434 years

{Adding Phase One (49 years) + to Phase Two (434 years) = 483 years}

**Phase Three** of the Determination is in Verse 26 = at the end of **Phase Two** or the 483<sup>rd</sup> year the Messiah is Introduced to Israel.

**Phase Four** of the Determination is in Verse 27 = 1 week or one seven = 7

49+434= 483+7=490 = Daniel 9 Verses 24-27 From March 14th. 445b.c. to April 6th. 32a.d. or 173,880 days

From The Day Nehemiah was Granted Permission to Rebuild Jerusalem to the Day Jesus was Greeted as Israel's King on Palm Sunday was... 173,880 days!

The Clocked Stopped when Israel Rejected Jesus and Then Crucified Him. That was during the 483<sup>rd</sup> year of Daniel's Prophecy....

### What's That Got to Do With Me?

While You and I Sit Here, Right Now...

The World is being Aligned for the Last (7 Year Period) to be Fulfilled....

The Last Seven years That will Make up the Promised Prophecies of the (490 Years).

The Tribulation Period is That Last Week, That "7"

That is Why Israel is the Key to Bible Prophecy and Had to Come Back into Existence as a Nation Before Christ Returns

III.) The events that make up the tribulation (consisting) v.8-13

### 1<sup>st</sup> Choice - everyone has the right to choose wrong v.8-11

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### Define The Babylon(s)

Its Many Things - But Ultimately The Religious/Commercial System
That Brings Down this World.

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### *Verse 9-10*

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The Cost of Rejecting God's Salvation Warrants Eternal Punishment

#### Luke 16:19-31

"There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. :20 At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores :21 and longing to eat what fell from the rich man's table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores. :22 "The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried. :23 In hell, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side. :24 So he called to him, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire.' :25 "But Abraham replied, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony. :26 And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who want to go from here to you cannot, nor can anyone cross over from there to us.' :27 "He answered, 'Then I beg you, father, send Lazarus to my father's house, :28 for I have five brothers. Let him warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.' :29 "Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them listen to them.' :30 "'No. father Abraham.' he said, 'but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.' :31 "He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."

### Verse 11

:11 And the smoke of *their torment ascends forever and ever; and they have no rest day or night*, who worship the beast and his image, and whoever receives the mark of his name

Hell is a Real, Forever, Spiritual Experience; And Strange Thing is - - Hell is a Choice.

### The events that make up the tribulation

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Choice - everyone has the right to choose right v.12-13

Here is the patience of the saints; here *are* those who keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. :13 Then I heard a voice from heaven saying to me, "Write: 'Blessed *are* the dead who die in the Lord from now on.' " "Yes," says the Spirit, "that they may rest from their labors, and their works follow them."

### Verse 12

Here is the patience of the saints; here *are* those who keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus.

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cheerfulness or hopefulness. the "good-will" endurance, the waiting (waiting with a joyfully end in sight)

The Waiting; it's Worth it!
The commandments; stay clear of this world!
The Faith; Jesus is our Hope!

### Verse 13

Then I heard a voice from heaven saying to me, "Write: 'Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.' " "Yes," says the (Holy) Spirit, "that they may rest from their labors, and their works follow them."

### This is an Amazing Verse!

Here we have The voice from heaven - no doubt that this is the voice of Almighty God

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on."

Then we hear a resounding...

"Yes," "that they may rest from their labors, and their works follow them."

(Says the Holy Spirit,)

### The Holy Spirit Himself Comments

Notice that it is in Regard to Labor (sufferings) and Works (deeds)

### A Spirit-Filled Life will Produce Biblical Fruit. The Fruit of the Spirit is the Production of Biblical Works

### John 15:15-16

No longer do I call you servants, for a servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all things that I heard from My Father I have made known to you. :16 You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, and *that* your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name He may give you.

### John 15:8

By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples.

#### John 15:1-2

I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman. :2 Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit.

### John 15:4-5

Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me. **:5** "I am the vine, you *are* the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.

### **Galatians 5:22-23,25**

But the fruit (that which is natural) of the Spirit is love (verb), joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, :23 gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law., :25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

#### Matthew 7:16

You will know them by their fruits.

### Colossians 1:4-6

because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love you have for all the saints — :5 the faith and love that spring from the hope that is stored up for you in heaven and that you have already heard about in the word of truth, the gospel :6 that has come to you. All over the world this gospel is bearing fruit and growing, just as it has been doing among you since the day you heard it and understood God's grace in all its truth.

### **Ephesians 5:8-10**

For you were once darkness, but now *you are* light in the Lord. Walk as children of light :9 (for the fruit of the Spirit *is* in all goodness, righteousness, and truth), :10 finding out what is acceptable to the Lord.

#### Romans 6:22-23

But now having been set free from sin, and having become slaves of God, you have your fruit to holiness, and the end, everlasting life. **:23** For the wages of sin *is* death, but the gift of God *is* eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

There Is An Expert Witnessregarding our lives that will testify = the Holy Spirit!

It is the Holy Spirit that **commissions** our lives to the work that God has called us to do.

It is the Holy Spirit that **empowers** us to do the work that God has called us to do

#### Acts 1:4-8

And being assembled together with *them,* He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, "which," *He said,* "you have heard from Me; **:5** for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." **:6** Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, "Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" **:7** And He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority. **:8** But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

#### Zechariah 4:6

So he answered and said to me:
"This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel:
'Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,'
Says the LORD of hosts.

It is the Holy Spirit that <u>guides us</u> to the work that God has called us to do

#### Acts 13:1-4

Now in the church that was at Antioch there were certain prophets and teachers: Barnabas, Simeon who was called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen who had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch, and Saul. :2 As they ministered to the Lord and fasted, the Holy Spirit said ..."Now separate to Me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." :3 Then, having fasted and prayed, and laid hands on them, they sent *them* away. :4 So, being sent out by the Holy Spirit, they went down to Seleucia, and from there they sailed to Cyprus.

#### Hebrews 6:10

For God *is* not unjust to forget your work and labor of love which you have shown toward His name, *in that* you have ministered to the saints, and do minister.

#### **Romans 8:16**

The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God,

### **Ephesians 2:10**

For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

### **Galatians 6:9**

let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.

### Verse 13

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can you hear the love of God in this verse to a world in need of receiving Jesus Christ?

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