Today's Theme "Judgment Previewed"

**Series Title** 

"The Future - From Jesus"

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## Jesus & Three More Angels Pouring Out Judgment

# 1. A snapshot of the return of Jesus.

# (1) A stunning *start* to the return of Jesus.

Rev 14:14 I looked, and there before me was a white cloud, and seated on the cloud was one like a son of man . . .

#### (2) He returns as a *king* and with *power*.

Rev 14:14 . . . with a crown of gold on his head and a sharp sickle in his hand.

Matt 24:30 "Then will appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven. And then all the peoples of the earth will mourn when they see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven, with power and great glory.

# 2. The *reaping* process on earth transpires. (1) Angel 4 enters from the *temple*.

Rev 14: 15 Then another angel came out of the temple

## (2) A4 announces that the *time* has come.

Rev 14:15 . . . and called in a loud voice to him who was sitting on the cloud, "Take your sickle and reap, because the time to reap has come, for the harvest of the earth is ripe."

John 5:22 Moreover, the Father judges no one, but has entrusted all judgment to the Son, . . . 27 And he has given him authority to judge because he is the Son of Man.

# (3) Jesus begins the final judgment on earth.

Rev 14:16 So he who was seated on the cloud swung his sickle over the earth, and the earth was harvested. Acts 10:42 He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead.

Acts 17:31 For he has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed. He has given proof of this to everyone by raising him from the dead."

## (4) A5 arrives to assist Jesus in judgment.

Rev 14:17 Another angel came out of the temple in heaven and he too had a sharp sickle.

# (5) A6 shows up partly by the *prayers* of the saints.

Rev 14:18 Still another angel, who had charge of the fire, came from the altar and called in a loud voice to him who had the sharp sickle, 18 "Take your sharp sickle and gather the clusters of grapes from the earth's vine, because its grapes are ripe."

## (6) The enemies of God suffer in Judgment

#### 1. His sickle goes into action on earth.

Rev 14:19 The angel swung his sickle on the earth,

#### 2. The enemies of God are *gathered* together.

Rev 14:19 . . . gathered its grapes and threw them into the great winepress of God's wrath.

#### 3. *Millions* will die in this *final* battle.

Rev 14:20 They were trampled in the winepress outside the city, . . .

#### 4. Resulting in a *horrible* scene of carnage.

Rev 14:20 . . . and blood flowed out of the press, rising as high as the horses' bridles for a distance of 1,600 stadia.