

# God's Special Messengers

Revelation 14:6-13

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## I. Introduction

- A. Angels are mentioned 66 times in Chapters 5-22
- B. Up to this point in history, only men had proclaimed the Gospel message.
- C. Six different angels are spoken of in verses 6-20

## II. The First Three Angels and Their Messages – vs. 6-13

- A. Angel one – vs. 6, 7
  - 1. Flying in the mid-heaven. Why? Urgency, the earth is on its death bed.
  - 2. Preaching an eternal Gospel to those on the earth (forever)
    - a. Galatians 1:8; I Peter 1:10-12
    - b. The Gospel plain and clear. – I Corinthians 15:1-8
    - c. Jesus died for our sins and rose from the dead.  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
  - 3. Its recipients. Those on the Earth - not Heaven, not Hell – on Earth. (for everyone)
    - a. Every nation, tribe, tongue and people
    - b. Matthew 28:19-20; Mark 16:15; Acts 1:8 (free)
  - 4. Are you a proclaimer of the Gospel? (do, versus done)
  - 5. The particulars of his message
    - a. Fear God: you can only fear Him if you properly identify Him.
      - i. Exodus 20:18-21; Ecclesiastes 12:13, 14; Proverbs 1:7; 3:7
    - b. Give Him glory: Josh 7:19; Ps. 50:23; John 15:8; II Thess. 3:1; I Cor. 10:31
    - c. Worship Him: Matthew 28:9, 17
- B. Angel two – v. 8
  - 1. Who or what does Babylon refer to?
    - a. A literal city (Rome or Babylon)
    - b. A political system (Chapter 18)
    - c. A religious system (Chapter 17)
      - i. “Babylon of old was the fountain head of idolatry.” – Harry Ironside
  - 2. The fall of Babylon announced

- a. More details in Chapter 17 and 18; Isaiah 21:9; Jeremiah 51
    - b. It relates to the outpouring of the seventh vial (16:19)
  - 3. Why Babylon will be judged
    - a. Her own immorality
    - b. For spreading it to other nations
- C. Angel three – vs. 9-13
  - 1. Those who will experience the wrath of God – vs. 9, 11b
  - 2. What the wrath of God is like – v. 10
    - a. *“mixed in full strength in the cup of His anger”*
    - b. *“tormented with fire and brimstone”*
    - c. In the presence of holy angels and The Lamb!
  - 3. The duration of the wrath of God – v. 11a
    - a. Forever and ever; *“Into the ages of ages”*
    - b. Day and night
  - 4. Commendation for the faithful
    - a. Who keep the commandments of God – v. 12
    - b. Who keep their faith in Jesus – v. 12
      - i. Are blessed
      - ii. Get rest from their labors (now and then) – v. 13
      - iii. Their deeds follow them (may all who come behind us find us faithful)