

Questions for Life Groups
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Revelation 14
Kingdom of God: Behind the Scenes, part 2

1. Who was your high school mascot? Did he/she/it positively or negatively affect the school's pride, enthusiasm, achievement?
2. Read Revelation 13:4b. Have you ever felt helpless against the harmful forces, trends and influences at work in our world today? Which ones? Why do they seem to be so strong?

In Revelation 14 John shares three visions that encourage and equip disciples of Jesus in their fight against the evil forces of this world.

3. The first vision (Revelation 14:1-3)
 - a. What were the followers of Jesus engaged in?
 - b. Review the content of this “new song” in Revelation 15:3-4. What is its message?
 - c. How does worship help Christians in their attempt to “keep the commandments of God and hold to the testimony of Jesus?”
4. The second vision (Revelation 14:6-11)

This vision contains three angelic proclamations. Describe each proclamation and why each is important for Christians to know and live by.

 - a. The first proclamation
 - b. The second proclamation
 - c. The third proclamation
5. The third vision (Revelation 14:14-20)

This vision reveals two final harvests. Describe each one.

 - a. The first harvest
 - b. The second harvest

Eugene Peterson has written, *Holy living is posited on the conviction that everything we do, no matter what we do, however common and little noticed our lives, is connected with the action of God and is seed that becomes either a harvest of holiness or a vintage of wrath.*

Does it help or hinder you to know that there will be a final reckoning for all we do and say on this earth?