

The Three CAngels

Revelation 14:6-9



1st Angel - The Everlasting Gospel

Revelation 14:6-7 (KJV), ⁶ "And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people, ⁷ Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters."



ohn writes about many angels in the Book of Revelation, but here is the only account of an angel whose mission is to preach the "EVERLASTING GOSPEL" to every nation, kindred, tongue and people on the earth. This is the same commandment Jesus gives the church found in Mark 16:15

Mark 16:15 "And He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

The Gospel being preached to the entire world has become known as the "GREAT COMMISION." This must be fulfilled before Jesus RETURNS (second advent), not neccessarly before the rapture of the church. The rapture is consider "His COMING in the clouds."

There are four forms of the Gospel that are mentioned in the New Testament and we must distinguish carefully between them.



Acts 20:24 "But none of these things move me; nor do I count my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my race with joy, and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God."

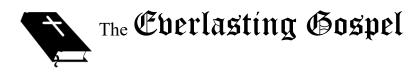
This is the "GOOD NEWS" that Yeshua Ha Machiah, Jesus the Messiah, died on the cross for the sins of the world and paid the price of our Salvation. This form of the Gospel is also called the "GOSPEL OF GOD" found in Rom.1:1 because it has its source in the Love of God (Jn.3:16) and is charaterized by Grace. It is the "GLORIOUS GOSPEL" because it speaks of Him who is in glory and has been glorified and is bringing many sons to glory. It is the "GOSPEL OF PEACE" because it makes peace between the sinner and God and brings peace to the soul (Eph. 6:15).



Romans 2:16 "In the day when God will judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ, according to my gospel."

Acts 26:16-18 ¹⁶"But rise and stand on your feet; for I have appeared to you for this purpose, to make you a minister and a witness both of the things which you have seen and of the things which I will yet reveal to you. ¹⁷ 'I will deliver you from the Jewish people, as well as from the Gentiles, to whom I now send you, ¹⁸ 'to open their eyes, in order to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who are sanctified by faith in Me."

This is the same "Gospel of the **GRACE OF GOD**" or of **SALVATION**, with the additional revelations that were made known to Paul (Eph. 3:1-7; Rom.11:1-36).



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It is "GOOD NEWS" to Israel and all those who are passing through the "fires of judgment," because it declares that their troubles will soon end in the judgment of the destruction of the Antichrist. This is not the "Gospel of the Kingdom" nor of "Grace" and its burden is not Salvation, but Judgment. It calls on men to worship God as "CREATOR" but not as Saviour, and so it is also called the "ETERNAL GOSPEL" the Gospel that has been proclaimed from Eden down through the Patriarchs and Prophets and that it saves men for all eternity.

The Gospel of the Kingdom

Matthew 24:14 "And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come."

This is the "Good News" that God will set up a Kingdom on this earth over which David's Son, Yeshua Jesus, shall reign as prophesied in Luke 1:32-33. At last the Jews will see the Messiah establish His Kingdom. This Gospel is not for salvation but rather as a witness, that is, it is the announcement that the time has come to "Set up the Kingdom."

In Summary: -

- **1.** The Gospel of the Grace of God This is the beginning, declaring the "Good News" of Jesus Christ. Salvation has come to all men.
- 2. My Gospel The sending out of the saints to "Preach the Gospel."
- 3. The Everlasting Gospel A call for men to worship the creator of all things.
- 4. The Gospel of the Kingdom The announcement that the time has come to "Set up the Kingdom."

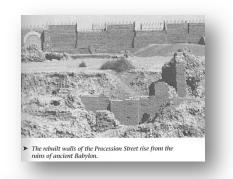
2nd Angel - Prophecy of the FALL

of the EVIL POWERS

Revelation 14:8 (KJV), "And there followed another angel, saying, Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication."

The ancient city of Babylon was destroyed approxitmately 539 B.C. and has not been established since. With the exception of a few sheepherders and farmers passing through, Babylon has been just ancient rubble for thousands of centuries.

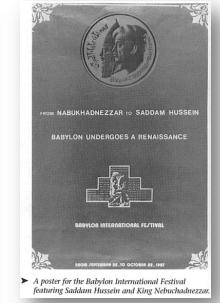
In his book "The Rise of Babylon: Sign of the End Times," author Charles H. Dyer shares with the world the account of the re-emergence of that ancient city of the Bible, Babylon.





UNDER PRESIDENT SADDAM HUSSEIN, one of the ancient world's most legendary cities has begun to rise again. More than an archaeological venture, the new Babylon is self-consciously dedicated to the idea that Nebuchadnezzar has a successor in Mr. Hussein, whose military prowess and vision will restore to Iraqis the glory their ancestors knew when all of what is now Iraq, Syria, Lebanon, Jordan, Kuwait, and Israel was under Babylonian control.

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Is this the fulfillment of Bible prophecy that after some 2000 years Babylon will once again rise to center stage in the world's financial market, or could there be another explanation? Modern-day Babylon in Iraq is still today just ruins of what once was and will never be again. In his time Saddam Hussen former dictator of Iraqi sought to restore Babylon to its former glory that it had under King Nebuchadnezzar.

The cry of the second angel was, "**BABYLON is FALLEN**, is fallen, that great city, because she has made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication." Any city can be a "type" of Babylon in that its dealings and scope of its reach can affect the entire world. This future Babylon is already a "Great City" and will became an even greater city as the nation's drink of her cup. The Islamic Babylon has awakened and is even now a giant in world finance causing the entire world to drink of her **CUP of OIL**.

The angel declares that this financial empire will come down by the hand of God. This future great city according to scripture (Revelation 17:3) is in the **WILDERNESS** some translations use the word **DESERT**. As to which city would today uniquely fit the description of this city, I can only say ... look towards Mecca.

3rd Angel - The Doom of the

Antichrist Followers

Revelation 14:9-11 (KJV), ⁹ And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, ¹⁰ The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb: ¹¹ And the smoke of their torment ascended up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receives the mark of his name.

This is the most awful warning given yet. It is saying anyone who takes the MARK OF THE BEAST is doomed forever. He shall be tormented with fire and brimstone forever, having no rest day or night. If nowhere else in the Bible, then it is here that the doctrine of eternal punishment is taught. The trade off is $3 \frac{1}{2}$ years of pursuit and possible death at the hands of the Antichrist or an eternity in the Lake of Fire with the Antichrist.

The Blessed Dead

Revelation 14:12-13 "Here is the patience of the saints; here are those who keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. 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."

This is basically true for all saints of all the ages; however, it is especially true for those who die after the FALSE PROPHET has decreed that everyone who does not worship the "IMAGE of the BEAST" will be killed (Rev.13:15). This is a special group who



"Die in the Lord" from this point on. Some translations may say "from henceforth." They are blessed because they will have been delivered from the trials of the "Great Tribulation" and will receive the "**MARTYR'S CROWN**" (Rev.2:10). This special group of saints have no prospect before them except martyrdom, hence the need at this time of a special message of blessing to those who are faithful until death. This group of the Blessed Dead is not the Church. The church has not been heard from since it went missing at the very beginning of the tribulation. These martyr's are those who have been saved by the preaching of the 144,000 witnesses, or by the testimony of those who repented of their sin after the rapture came and they found out that they have been left behind.