

THIS WEEK'S STUDY: 5/16 - 17/2022 *Revelation Chapter 14*

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OPENING PRAYER

Continuing in the Parenthetical Section of *chapters 10-15*, which give us additional details of what will transpire, which we will again pick up in *Chapter 16*, we have:

Revelation Chapter 14 – Prophetic Visions of the Coming Judgment! The Prelude to the Climax of the Book, the Seven Bowls of Judgment

The Lamb and the 144,000 - (vs. 1-5); The vision of the 144,000 standing victoriously on Mt. Zion

The Proclamations of the Three Angels –

First another angel to proclaim gospel to all the world - (vs. 6-7)

Second angel proclaiming Babylon is Fallen, Is Fallen - (v. 8)

Third angel proclaiming consequences of taking the mark of the beast - (vs. 9-11)

Patience of the faithful Saints, good news, and the second blessing promised in Revelation - (vs. 12-13)

Reaping the Earth's Harvest – (vs. 14-16)

Reaping the Grapes of Wrath – (vs. 17-20)

The Lamb and the 144,000

Rev 14:1 Then I looked, and behold, a (the) Lamb (Jesus Christ!) standing on Mount Zion (literally on earth in Jerusalem? Or is it talking about heaven?), **and with Him one hundred and forty-four thousand, having His Father's name written on their foreheads.**

- **Back in Chapter 7, before the four winds of judgment were released upon the earth**, those ready angels that were ordered not to release those devastating winds, until the servants of God could be sealed in their foreheads. John said he counted the number and there were a hundred and forty-four thousands of all of the tribes of Israel, naming the various tribes, twelve thousand from each tribe. They were sealed with the seal of God in their foreheads. Here we are told what that seal is. **It is the name of God that is written in their foreheads**, which is Jehovah or Yahweh. God will inscribe His name in their foreheads.
- **Notice the contrast – eternal life versus eternal death!** When the Antichrist comes, he will cause everyone to receive a mark, which leads to eternal death, in their foreheads and it is the mark of his name, the name of the Antichrist in their foreheads, which is sort of as a countering of the fact that God has put the name of His servants on their foreheads. So, the one hundred forty-four thousand that we saw there in chapter 7, victoriously appear here again in chapter 14.
- **Standing on Mount Zion** (literally on earth in Jerusalem or it is talking about heaven? (*Heb 12:22-23*) *But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, to an innumerable company of angels, [23] to the general assembly and church of the firstborn who are registered in heaven, to God the Judge of all, to the spirits of just men made perfect.*) Could this be a vision of the 144,000 standing now victorious after having endured all the difficulties of the Tribulation period, and now they are victorious in the heavenly scene?
- **The Lamb standing** – We remember Him standing when Stephen was welcomed into heaven! (*Act 7:55, 56*) *But he, being full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God, [56] and said, "Look! I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!"*
- (*Dan 12:2, 3*) *And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, Some to everlasting life, Some to shame and everlasting contempt. [3] Those who are wise shall shine Like the brightness of the firmament, And those who turn many to righteousness Like the stars forever and ever.*

Rev 14:2 *And I heard a voice from heaven, like the voice of many waters, and like the voice of loud thunder. And I heard the sound of harpists playing their harps.*

- **John then heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and like the voice of loud thunder.** Back in chapter 1 as John is describing Jesus in His glorified state said, “and His voice was as the sound of many waters.” So, the voice of Jesus is what John hears at this point as the voice of loud thunder.

Rev 14:3 *They sang as it were a new song before the throne, before the four living creatures, and the (twenty-four) elders; and no one could learn that song except the hundred and forty-four thousand who were redeemed* (perfect tense – were redeemed and still are!) *from the earth.*

- **In the Bible, it seems like every group has a song** that is endemic to that particular group. In the Old Testament we have the song of Moses, and then we have the song of Deborah, the victory over the enemies. In the fifth chapter of the Book of Revelation we have the song of the redeemed church. The lyrics of the song indicate that only the church can sing that song. Now, the one hundred forty-four thousand have a special song that no one can sing except them.
- **Each of us have related to the Lord in a unique and special way.** God has related to His church in a unique and special way. We have the song of redemption. We have the song of victory, praise to our Lord, that only we the church can sing!
- **The one hundred forty-four thousand, they have a special relationship** with the Lord. Theirs is that of preservation through the Great Tribulation. The church is that of deliverance from the Great Tribulation. But theirs is deliverance **through** the Great Tribulation. In the Old Testament you find

that Enoch, a type of the church, was translated or raptured before God's judgment of the flood. However, Noah was sealed in the ark by God and was able to survive this judgment of God. God preserved him through the flood. The sweetest songs are the songs, the fruit, of sorrow!

- **Daniel escaped the fiery furnace.** God delivered Daniel that he did not have to go into the fiery furnace by no doubt removing Daniel away from the capital when this order to worship the image was given. However, God **delivered the three Hebrew children through** the tribulation of the fiery furnace.
- **So, you have those who are singing a song of deliverance from while others sing a song of deliverance through.** The song of the one hundred forty-four thousand is that song of how the Lord **preserved them and kept them through** this great time of judgment when God is judging the earth because of its rebellion against Him. Notice how that the Good Shepherd protects and seals His own! 144,000 sealed, not one was lost!
- **Surely with the things that are happening in our world today, man's rebellion against God is coming to an apex.** We continue to see an almost overwhelming number of ungodly bills, being put forward in California involving approval and even protected provisions for those involved in all kinds of perverse sexual behavior. We need to fast and pray and seek God to bring about changes. We are wise if we will use the spiritual weapons that God has given us and the greatest of these is prayer. So, we call upon you to fast and to pray. It is only a sign of the times as the world is ripening and as the United States is ripening for the judgment of God.
- **So, they sing this song before the throne, it sounds like they are in heaven,** before the cherubim and the elders. Only they can sing the song. It's unique to them.

Rev 14:4 These are the ones who were not defiled (People of purity; literally, spiritually, or both?) with women, for they are virgins. These are the ones who follow the Lamb wherever He goes. These were redeemed (perfect tense – were and are redeemed, purchased by His blood, and still are!) from among men, being firstfruits to God and to the Lamb. (2Co 11:2) *For I am jealous for you with godly jealousy. For I have betrothed you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.*

- **Now they are a firstfruit of a special order** of those who were preserved and those who survived the Great Tribulation, they become the firstfruits of that group, possibly the first to be saved during the Tribulation.

Rev 14:5 And in their mouth was found no deceit, for they are without fault before the throne of God.

- **That is quite a statement, “without fault before the throne of God!”** But you know, that is exactly how you and I who are in Christ will stand! Jude at the close of his little epistle said, (**Jud 1:24**) *Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, And to present you faultless Before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy.* Oh, the wonderful work of Jesus Christ in our hearts and lives!
- **There is an interesting and wonderful passage of scripture where God said, (Num 23:21a) “He has not observed iniquity in Jacob, Nor has He seen wickedness in Israel.** “I find no fault, no iniquity, in him.” Oh, how glorious! Jacob was a man that was full of faults! You read his story and this guy was a conniver and everything else, but as God sees him, He sees no fault in him. That is the way God sees you tonight, who are in Christ Jesus! Faultless! Isn't that glorious? What can you say? That is wonderful!

The Messages of the Three Angels

Rev 14:6 Then I saw another angel flying in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel (First mention of angels preaching the gospel! Also, this is the last mention of spreading the gospel in the Bible) to preach to those who dwell on the earth to every nation, tribe, tongue, and people—

- **Now, John said, I saw another angel,** which means an angel that was not of that seven angels that were blowing their trumpets' *Another angel who was flying in the midst of heaven, and he has the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people.*
- **A marvelous thing! An angel flying through the midst of heaven** with the everlasting gospel to proclaim to all the world! Up to about fifty years, no one could imagine how this could occur, an angel flying through the midst of heaven declaring the everlasting gospel to the world. But now with satellite technology, we can understand just how this can be accomplished.

Rev 14:7 saying with a loud voice, "Fear God and give glory to Him, for the hour of His judgment has come; and worship Him who made heaven and earth, the sea and springs of water."

- **Calling upon the people to fear God!** You know, the problem with many today is there is no fear of God in their hearts. The fear of the Lord, the Bible tells us, is the beginning of wisdom. The fear of the Lord is to hate evil. So, the angel in proclaiming the everlasting gospel! Paul said I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ. It is the power of God to salvation! The everlasting gospel, which is able to save people from their sins. It tells the story of God's sending His Son to die for us and He rose again for our justification.
- **This everlasting gospel will be proclaimed to every ethnic group.** Often, one hears people ask the question, but what about that native in Africa or in Borneo who has never heard of the name of Jesus Christ? Will God judge them the same? And, of course, the scripture is very clear that they will be judged by a different standard from those who have heard and rejected.
- **But here the angel will carry the gospel to all the world, to every tribe, tongue, and people.** Jesus said the gospel will be preached as a witness to the entire world and then shall the end come. And here is where the gospel is being preached to the entire world.
- **Often the church has taken that as a challenge for missions.** But in reality the church has pretty much failed. Most of the churches are pulling back their mission programs. But God will see that every man has the opportunity to hear the gospel during this great period! They are told to fear God, give glory to Him, because the hour of His judgment is come. **Worship Him, the Creator who made all things!**

Rev 14:8 And another angel followed, saying, "Babylon is fallen, is fallen (aorist tense, it is history), that great city, because she has made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication."

- **All false religious systems will fail, including Babylon, the mother of spiritual idolatry! Babylon is fallen, is fallen!** We might say, "It's history," yet it has not happened yet. Babylon is yet to be destroyed as the Bible predicts, thus, yet to emerge again. (*Gen 41:32*) *And for that the dream was doubled unto Pharaoh twice; it is because the thing is established by God, and God will shortly bring it to pass.* All the globalist hopes will be gone! It is all will be gone!
- **In the Bible, Babylon stands for the false religious systems.** There it seems is where the false religious systems were born, you might say.
- **There is the story of Semiramis and her son Tammuz**, who then became her husband. And the worship of the woman, Semiramis, the mother with her child. And that seems to **be the heart of rebellion against God and of a false religious system.** It is now coming up for judgment. When we get to chapters 17, and 18, we will read the judgment upon Babylon, the religious Babylon. We will read the judgment upon commercial Babylon in chapter 18. Wherever the false religious system or the commercial systems are centered, will come into judgment in chapters 17 and 18. But here is the pronouncement. "Babylon is fallen, is fallen." It was the heart. It was the source of all of the spiritual, as Scripture calls it, fornication!
- **Now, in a spiritual sense fornication is bowing to or worshipping something other than the true and the living God.** The gospel is proclaimed by the angel, who is saying, fear God! Worship Him that made the heavens and the earth and the sea and the things that are in them. To God should our worship be directed. But there are people who are directing their worship to other things, other gods. And Babylon is the source of all of the false systems of worship. The goddess Ashtoreth, a Babylonian goddess, was the worship of sex. If a person worships sex, he is guilty of spiritual fornication.
- **Our worship should be to God.** As the children of God, the Bride of Christ, we are to be married to God. We are to give our love, to give our worship to Him and to Him, only. To worship anything other than God, is considered scripturally as spiritual fornication. So, the pronouncement of the fall of this false religious system who caused the nations to drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication.

Rev 14:9 Then a third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, "If anyone worships the beast and his image, and receives his mark on his forehead or on his hand,

Rev 14:10 he himself shall also drink of the wine of the wrath of God (First use. 5 X in Revelation), **which is poured out full strength into the cup of His indignation. He shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb.**

- **Now the third angel followed, again, not the seven angels** that had the seven trumpets. The *third angel followed them and said with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image!* So, the command, worship God! People worshipping sex, worshipping their intellect, worshipping money, these other false gods. But then the worship of the beast, and in chapter 13 we are told that the false prophet leads the world to worship the beast. That they caused to be made an image of the beast, they give power to it to speak, they put it in the temple, causing everyone to worship the image and the beast.
- **But here is a warning – the most terrifying warning! God is going to warn the people of the earth.** They are not going to do this ignorantly. The worship of the beast will be a deliberate rebellion against God! Even as today men are deliberately rebelling against the commands of God. This legislature that is being proposed is a deliberate rebellion against God. And those that are pushing it are in deliberate rebellion against God. The Scriptures warn, the Scriptures declare, these things to be sinful, these things to be evil, these things to be the height of rebellion against God. And it is unthinkable that it would actually be something that would even be considered and proposed by those in the legislature in Sacramento! I cannot imagine even the proposing of this type of legislation! It shows us just however we have gone down the road to destruction!
- **Here is the warning!** *He himself shall also drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out full strength into the cup of His indignation. He shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb.*
- **That is heavy warning from God!** **Notice that there is no hope of redemption, no hope for salvation for those that worship the beast or his image or receive his mark!** **You have signed your own eternal death certificate if you are here at that time, and you enter into that system!** It is interesting that they are tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb. There is no mention of our being conscious of their torment.
- **There is an interesting passage of Scripture** found in, *(Isa 65:17-19) "For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth; And the former shall not be remembered or come to mind. [18] But be glad and rejoice forever in what I create; For behold, I create Jerusalem as a rejoicing, And her people a joy. [19] I will rejoice in Jerusalem, And joy in My people; The voice of weeping shall no longer be heard in her, Nor the voice of crying.*
- **Many people are concerned for members of their family or loved ones who have died without Jesus Christ.** It is a torturing thought to think of them being forever separated from God. One wonders how could I ever enjoy heaven with the knowledge that someone I loved so much is not a part that God will excise from the memory bank. The former things will not be remembered or come to mind. Anything that would bring pain or suffering torture to your mind, will be excised by God. It will not be remembered or brought into mind.
- **Notice also, Jesus said in (Mat 24:13-14)** *But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved. [14] And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.*
- **Glorious days for the children of God, but, for those that are in rebellion against God serious days of judgment.**

Rev 14:11 And the smoke of their torment ascends forever and ever (The strongest phrase in Greek for eternity. This can only mean “eternal!”); **and they have no rest day or night, who worship the beast and his image, and whoever receives the mark of his name.**”

- **You may ask, do you really believe that God is going to torment forever** those who have rebelled against Him? Do you believe in eternal punishment? Do not ask me to take away from what God has said. I will not do it. You get to the end of this Book of Revelation, and it says if anyone adds to this book unto him will be added the plagues that are in the book and anyone who takes away from him his name will be taken away from the Book of Life. You do not want that to happen to me, do you? I am going to leave it as it says. I am not going to mess with it. Jesus speaking of Gehenna said, *(Mar 9:44) where "THEIR WORM DOES NOT DIE AND THE FIRE IS NOT QUENCHED!*

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

Rev 14:13 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."

(Rev 1:3) Blessed is he who reads and those who hear the words of this prophecy and keep those things which are written in it; for the time is near.

- Here we have the second promised blessing! At a time of the Great Tribulation when people are forced to take the mark of the beast and forced to worship him or be put to death, we have the blessings to the patience of the saints, those that keep the commandments of God and have faith in Jesus Christ. The voice says, "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on." That is the blessedness of those who at this time become martyrs rather than worship the beast or take his mark.
- Sometimes in funerals we quote this passage, **blessed are the dead** who die in the Lord, they have ceased from their labor. But in reality this is talking about a certain group in the Great Tribulation. It is better to die. It is better to be martyred than to take the mark of the beast or to worship the beast or his image. It is better to die than to do that because to do that is to seal your own fate. *That they may rest from their labors, and their works follow them.*
- Now, John gets a vision of this final Battle of Armageddon. We will come back to that in a later passage. We have had some hints of it up to this point, but John again gives us a preview of the Battle of Armageddon. We read of the three spirits that went into the kings of the earth to gather them together into the Valley of Megiddo for that great battle. (Rev 16:13) *And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.*

The Harvest of the Earth (of Sinners Judged!)

Rev 14:14 Then I looked (perceived), and behold, a white cloud, and on the cloud (cloud of His majesty, His glory) sat **One like the Son of Man** (Messianic title!), **having on His head a golden crown, and in His hand a sharp sickle** (sword of God's justice).

- Of course, it is Jesus Christ! Behold, He comes with the clouds to bring judgment upon the earth.

Rev 14:15 And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to Him who sat on the cloud, "Thrust in Your sickle and reap, for the time has come (His appointed time) for You to reap, for the harvest of the earth is ripe (xeraino - over ripe, withered, dry, rotten)."

(Joh 5:22) *For the Father judges no one but has committed all judgment to the Son.*

- **For the harvest of the earth is ripe! The term "ripe" implies being over ripe!** It means "withered." In other words, it is high time for the harvest!

Rev 14:16 So He who sat on the cloud thrust in His sickle on the earth, and the earth was reaped.

(2Th 1:7-8) *and to give you who are troubled rest with us when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, [8] in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

(Mat 13:39) *The enemy who sowed them is the devil, the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are the angels.*

(Mat 25:31) *"When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory.*

Reaping the Grapes of Wrath

Rev 14:17 Then another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle.

Rev 14:18 And another angel came out from the altar, who had power over fire, and he cried with a loud cry to him who had the sharp sickle, saying, "Thrust in your sharp sickle and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth, for her grapes are fully ripe (akmazo - full of juice)."

Rev 14:19 So the angel thrust his sickle into the earth and gathered the vine of the earth, and threw it into the great winepress of the wrath (anger) of God.

(Jer 25:30) Therefore prophesy thou against them all these words, and say unto them, The LORD shall roar from on high, and utter his voice from his holy habitation; he shall mightily roar upon his habitation; he shall give a shout, as they that tread the grapes, against all the inhabitants of the earth.

Rev 14:20 *And the winepress was trampled outside the city, and blood came out of the winepress, up to the horses' bridles, for one thousand six hundred furlongs. This is a description of the great Battle of Armageddon and the bloodshed that will be there. There is an interesting passage that sort of corresponds with this. It is in (Isa 63:1-5) Who is this who comes from Edom, With dyed garments from Bozrah, This One who is glorious in His apparel, Traveling in the greatness of His strength?—.” And the answer is, "I who speak in righteousness, mighty to save!"*

- **The question, [2]** *Why is Your apparel red, And Your garments like one who treads in the winepress? Why is it that You are red in Your apparel and your garments are like those who have been treading in the winepress?*
- **And the answer, [3]** *"I have trodden the winepress alone, And from the peoples no one was with Me. For I have trodden them in My anger, And trampled them in My fury; Their blood is sprinkled upon My garments, And I have stained all My robes. [4] For the day of vengeance is in My heart, And the year of My redeemed has come. [5] I looked, but there was no one to help, And I wondered That there was no one to uphold; Therefore, My own arm brought salvation for Me; And My own fury, it sustained Me. [6] I have trodden down the peoples in My anger, Made them drunk in My fury, And brought down their strength to the earth."* Isaiah is speaking of this very same period of this very same time.
- **We see in Isaiah, graphic descriptions, which parallel the description we have here in Revelation 14** of the winepress, the sickle, the casting of the grapes into the winepress and the blood of this battle to the horse's bridle, which is about four feet high for the space of a thousand six hundred furlongs, which is about 180 miles, or the approximate distance from Dan to Beersheba, or from Megiddo to Petra! The whole nation covered with blood.
- **(Joe 3:12-16)** *"Let the nations be wakened and come up to the Valley of Jehoshaphat; For there I will sit to judge all the surrounding nations. [13] Put in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe. Come, go down; For the winepress is full, The vats overflow—For their wickedness is great." [14] Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! For the day of the LORD is near in the valley of decision. [15] The sun and moon will grow dark, And the stars will diminish their brightness. [16] The LORD also will roar from Zion And utter His voice from Jerusalem; The heavens and earth will shake; But the LORD will be a shelter for His people, And the strength of the children of Israel.*
- **(Rev 16:14, 16)** *For they are spirits of demons, performing signs, which go out to the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty. [16] And they gathered them together to the place called in Hebrew, Armageddon.*
- **(Rev 19:17-21)** *Then I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the birds that fly in the midst of heaven, "Come and gather together for the supper of the great God, [18] that you may eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and of those who sit on them, and the flesh of all people, free and slave, both small and great." [19] And I saw the beast, the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army. [20] Then the beast was captured, and with him the false prophet who worked signs in his presence, by which he deceived those who received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image. These two were cast alive into the lake of fire burning with brimstone. [21] And the rest were killed with the sword which proceeded from the mouth of Him who sat on the horse. And all the birds were filled with their flesh.*
- **In regard to this chapter, we need to remember that the prediction that Christ will judge** the earth comes after three angelic warnings; 1) the preaching of the everlasting gospel; 2) the warning that Babylon and her religious influence will be destroyed; and 3) the assurance that the worshippers of Antichrist will be destroyed. Because many will still reject Christ even after receiving these warnings is strong confirmation of the depravity of the human heart!
- **Those who believe that the Church is going through the Great Tribulation** – The Great Day of God's Wrath – The Day of Jacob's Trouble – do not understand either the nature of the Church, nor the nature of the Tribulation. They underestimate both! Before that morning dawns, the long night of the human race will grow darker. Much Darker! This chapter was just a prelude to the bowls that are coming in the next two chapters.

- **When we read of armies of two hundred million or so, you can imagine what it will be!** This will be the Antichrist gathering together the nations and God's judgment coming upon the rebellion of man, God's final judgment at the end of the great tribulation period. This battle that will be raging in which men will be destroyed, slaughtered by the millions, hundreds of millions. In this battle that will be raging, Jesus will bring an end to the battle by His second coming. It is during the midst of the battle that Jesus will return in clouds of glory to establish the Kingdom of God upon the earth.
- **Zechariah tells us in (Zec 14:4) And in that day His feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, Which faces Jerusalem on the east. And the Mount of Olives shall be split in two, From east to west, Making a very large valley; Half of the mountain shall move toward the north And half of it toward the south.**
- **He will set His foot upon the Mount of Olives.** We are told that He will destroy the Antichrist with the brightness of His coming and by the sword that goes forth out of His mouth. With His word He will destroy him. But we are moving towards this great battle of the Lord, the final battle with evil will muster the forces of the world and there will be judged by God in the great battle of Armageddon. We will come across this again before we are finished as we get into the some of the further chapters.
- **These are awesome things that we read about here in the Book of Revelation.** It is hard to envision or imagine but yet the judgment of God must come and shall come even as God has declared!
- **You want to be ready when the Lord comes for His church because you do not want to be here after the church is gone and neither do I!**
- **Does this scare you! How about those around you? Does this motivate us to tell them?**
- **Are you ready for Christ's second coming?**
- **Can you truly say, right now, I am a child of God?**

CLOSING SONG:

WHO YOU SAY I AM Hillsong (5:34)

Who am I that the highest King would welcome me? I was lost, but He brought me in
 Oh His love for me Oh His love for me Who the Son sets free Oh, is free indeed
 I'm a child of God, yes, I am Free at last, He has ransomed me His grace runs deep
 While I was a slave to sin, Jesus died for me Yes, He died for me Who the Son sets free
 Oh is free indeed I'm a child of God, yes, I am In my Father's house There's a place for me
 I'm a child of God, yes, I am I am chosen, not forsaken I am who You say I am You are for me, not against
 me. I am who You say I am I am chosen, not forsaken I am who You say I am You are for me, not against
 me. I am who You say I am I am who You say I am
 Who the Son sets free Oh is free indeed I'm a child of God, yes, I am
 In my Father's house There's a place for me I'm a child of God, yes, I am
 In my Father's house There's a place for me I'm a child of God, yes, I am
 I am chosen, not forsaken I am who You say I am You are for me, not against me I am who You say I am
 I am chosen, not forsaken I am who You say I am You are for me, not against me I am who You say I am
 I am chosen, not forsaken I am who You say I am You are for me, not against me I am who You say I am
 Oh I am who You say I am Yes, I am who you say I am Who the Son sets free Oh is free indeed
 I'm a child of God, yes, I am In my Father's house There's a place for me I'm a child of God, yes, I am

CLOSING PRAYER:

For next week, read Chapter 15