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Revelation 14:6-13

Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

Another angel, a second, followed, saying, "Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great, she who made all nations drink the wine of the passion of her sexual immorality."

And another angel, a third, followed them, saying with a loud voice, "If anyone worships the beast and its image and receives a mark on his forehead or on his hand, he also will drink the wine of God's wrath, poured full strength into the cup of his anger, and he will be tormented with fire and sulfur in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb. And the smoke of their torment goes up forever and ever, and they have no rest, day or night, these worshipers of the beast and its image, and whoever receives the mark of its name."

Here is a call for the endurance of the saints, those who keep the commandments of God and their faith in Jesus.^b

And I heard a voice from heaven saying, "Write this: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on." "Blessed indeed," says the Spirit, "that they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow them!"

Sermon Outline:

- I. The First Angel Announcement to Repent and Believe the Gospel (6-7)
- II. The Second Angel Announcement of the (future) Fall of Babylon (8)
- III. The Third Angel Announcement of the Fate of Unbelievers (9-11)
- IV. The Voice from Heaven directed at us (12-13)





Life Group Leader Notes:

•What are the advantages and disadvantages of expositional or verse-by-verse preaching? How does this kind of study affect our understanding of the Bible as a whole? As you reflect on your time at ABF, what have you learned from a consistent, verse-by-verse teaching ministry? What themes have consistently surfaced? What themes have been absent?

•When you read the Bible, what makes you tempted to skip over or skim past certain passages? Does our treatment of the Bible reflect what we believe about God? Why or Why not?

•In verse 6, the angel proclaimed the 'eternal gospel' to all peoples. What makes his proclamation 'good news'?

•What do we learn about God when we consider the messages from these three angels?

•Pastor Scott suggested that it is okay to 'dislike' eternal torment taught in the Scriptures but we must not deny it. Why?

•The most common alternatives to the doctrine of eternal torment are Universalism and Annihilationism. What are these views? What makes them attractive? How does Revelation 14 counter these views?

•Can we accept truths that we do not like? What are some examples?

•How does the story of the tower of Babel shed light on the Babylon of Revelation?

•Take time to pray for those in our lives who have not yet believed in the gospel of Jesus Christ. Ask the Spirit to grant boldness and a sense of urgency to share the good news with these who we love.

•Share ideas about how we can begin conversations with people about the gospel.

