

Lesson 38: The Three Angel's Messages – 1

I. The First Angel's Message

Memory Verse: "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, 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." Revelation 14:6-7

1. Read the first angel's message in Revelation 14:6,7.

To whom should this message be preached?

It should be preached "unto them that _____ on the _____, and to every _____, and _____, and _____, and _____."

2. What is this message called? Revelation 14:6.

The angel has the "_____."

3. What is the **everlasting gospel**?

✎ Romans 1:16-17 "For I am not ashamed of the _____ of Christ: for it is the _____ of God unto _____ to every one that _____; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. For therein is the _____ of God _____ from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by _____."

The gospel is the _____ of God for our S_____. It reveals the R_____ of God which He imparts to us by F_____.

✎ Ephesians 6:19 "And for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth _____, to make known the _____ of the _____,"

✎ What is the mystery of the gospel? Colossians 1:25-28

"Whereof I am made a _____, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you, to _____ the word of God; Even the _____ which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made _____

to his saints: To whom God would make _____ what is the _____ of the _____ of this _____ among the Gentiles; which is Christ _____ you, the _____ of _____: Whom we preach, _____ every man, and _____ every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man _____ in Christ Jesus:"

The mystery of the gospel is C_____ in us. This is our H_____ of glory.

When Christ is in us, we may become P_____ in Christ Jesus.

Note: The everlasting gospel is the ✎ **power** of God made available to every one who will **co-operate** with God for their salvation **from all sin**. The mystery is that Christ can live **in** us so that we may become **perfect** in Him. The gospel includes freedom from the **penalty of sin** because Christ paid that price for us on the cross. It also includes freedom from the **power of sin to rule** in our lives when we allow Christ to **dwell** in our hearts by faith. This ✎ **gospel power** must be **demonstrated in our lives** so that our **proclamation** of the gospel to the world will be **effective**.

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4. What is included in the message of the everlasting gospel? Revelation 14:7

The angel says with a loud voice:

- ☛ F _____ God
- ☛ And Give _____ to Him
- ☛ For the Hour of His _____ is _____
- ☛ And _____ Him that _____ Heaven and Earth (the Creator)

5. What does it mean to "**Fear God**"? How can we "Fear God"?

a. Deuteronomy 6:2 "That thou mightest _____ the Lord thy God,
to _____ all his _____
and his _____, which I command thee,
thou, and thy son, and thy son's son, _____ the _____ of thy _____;
and that thy days may be prolonged."

Note: In the Scriptures the term "Fear God" often refers to a **faith** in God that is **immovable**. Such faith causes us to **trust Him** so fully that we are **willing** to obey His leading, His requirements, and all His commandments, realizing that they provide a more abundant life for us now, and prepare us for an entrance into eternal life with God. There is also an aspect of great respect leading to humble submission and reverential obedience

b. Read Genesis 22:1-14. Verse 1 says that "God did tempt Abraham". The Hebrew word used here actually means as "prove" or "test". We know from James 1:13 that God tempts no man. But He does prove and test them.

? What did God ask Abraham to do? He asked him to take Isaac, his _____ son and _____ him to God for a burnt offering.

? Do you think this was something Abraham would like to do? YES NO

? Do you think that it was hard for Abraham to obey God in this? YES NO

? Did Abraham obey right away? (verse 3) YES NO

? What did Isaac ask Abraham? (v. 7) "Where is the _____ for a burnt offering?"

? What was Abraham's answer? (v. 8) He said "My son, _____ will _____ himself a _____ for a burnt offering."

? What happened when Abraham took the knife to slay his son? (verse 10,11)

"The angel of the LORD _____ unto him out of _____, and said, Abraham, _____!"

? When Abraham answered "Here am I", What did God tell Him? (verse 12)

"Lay _____ thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him: for _____ I _____ that thou _____ God, seeing thou hast not _____ thy son, thine _____ son _____ me."

? How did Abraham "Fear God"? He did not W _____ anything from God – not even his only _____. He did this by _____. Hebrews 11:17

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? What did Abraham have faith in? Hebrews 11:18,19. He had faith in the promise of God which said: "In _____ shall thy _____ be called:"
He believed that "God was _____ to _____ him up, even from the _____."

? What did Abraham offer for a burnt offering? (Genesis 22:13)
He offered a _____ which was caught in a thicket. God did indeed provide Himself a lamb for a burnt offering.

Note: "The **ram** offered in the place of Isaac **represented the Son of God**, who was to be sacrificed in our stead. When man was doomed to death by transgression of the law of God, the **Father**, looking upon His **Son**, said to the sinner, 'Live: I have found a ransom.' PP 154.1

"It was to impress Abraham's mind with the **reality of the gospel**, as well as to test his faith, that God commanded him to slay his son. The agony which he endured during the dark days of that fearful trial was permitted that he might **understand from his own experience something of the greatness of the sacrifice made by the infinite God for man's redemption**. No other test could have caused Abraham such torture of soul as did the offering of his son. **God gave His Son to a death of agony and shame**. The angels who witnessed the humiliation and soul anguish of the Son of God were not permitted to interpose, as in the case of Isaac. **There was no voice to cry, 'It is enough.'** To save the fallen race, the King of glory yielded up His life. **What stronger proof can be given of the infinite compassion and love of God?** 'He that spared not His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?' Romans 8:32." PP 154.2

c. How is it possible for us to obey God in every way all the time? He has promised:

* 1 John 1:9 "If we _____ our sins, He is _____ and _____ to _____ us our sins, and to _____ us from _____ unrighteousness."

* Hebrews 7:25 "Wherefore He is _____ also to _____ them to the uttermost that _____ unto God by Him, seeing He ever liveth to make intercession for them."

* 1 Corinthians 10:13 "There hath _____ temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is _____, who will _____ suffer you to be tempted _____ that ye are _____; but will _____ the temptation also _____ a way to _____, that ye may be _____ to _____ it."

* Philippians 4:13 "I can do _____ things _____ Christ which _____ me."

Note: We see that HE cleanses us from _____ unrighteousness.

HE is **able** to save to the _____ [completely] all those who come to Him.

HE always makes a way to _____ with every temptation that comes to us.

WE can do _____ things [**only**] _____ the strength of Christ.

6. What does it mean to "**Give Glory to Him**"? How can we "give Glory to God"?

a. Matthew 5:16 "Let your light so shine before men, that they may _____ your good _____, and _____ your _____ which is in heaven."

We can give glory to God by our actions so that when people see our Christ-like actions, they will glorify God.

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b. 1 Corinthians 10:31 "Whether therefore ye _____, or _____, or whatsoever ye _____, do _____ to the _____ of God."

We can give glory to God by taking care of our bodies and eating and drinking and living according to His laws of health.

c. Romans 15:6 "That ye may with one _____ and one _____
_____ God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ."

We can give glory to God by our thoughts and words

– by thinking and speaking only those things which meet the standard of Phil. 4:8:

"whatsoever things are _____,
whatsoever things are of _____ report;
if there be any _____,
if there be any _____,

THINK on these things." When you THINK about these things, you will also SPEAK about these things because we SPEAK about what we THINK about as Matthew 12:34, last part tells us: "out of the abundance of the _____ the mouth _____."

So giving glory to God means to live our lives according to HIS Standards, HIS Way. It is to reflect HIS character in our lives so that people will see JESUS in us.

7. What does the next part of Revelation 14:7 say?

"The hour of His _____ is _____."

a. When must we give an account of our lives?

‡ Ecclesiastes 3:17 "I said in mine heart, _____ shall _____ the righteous and the wicked: for there is a _____ there for every purpose and for every work." There is a **time** when God will judge.

‡ Acts 17:31 "Because he hath _____ a _____, in the which he will _____ the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead."

‡ 2 Corinthians 5:10 "For we must _____ appear before the _____ seat of Christ; that every one may _____ the things done in his body, _____ to that he hath _____, whether it be good or bad."

‡ Ecclesiastes 12:14 "For God shall bring _____ work into judgment, with every _____ thing, whether it be _____, or whether it be _____."

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‡ Matthew 12:36 "But I say unto you, That _____ idle _____ that men shall speak, they shall give _____ thereof in the _____ of _____."

Note: God has appointed a time to judge every one. Everything will be judged – our actions, our words, and our secret thoughts. The first angel's message tells us that the hour of His judgment is come. This judgment takes place before Jesus comes.

How do we know? In Revelation 22:12 Christ says: "And, behold, I _____ quickly; and my _____ is with me, to give every man _____ as his work shall be."

Isaiah 40:10 also tells us the same thing: "Behold, the Lord God will _____ with strong hand, and his arm shall rule for him: behold, his _____ is _____ him, and his work before him." So when Jesus comes, He brings the reward with Him. He has already investigated our case to see whether He can take us to heaven or not.

Note: "We are living amid the solemnities of the judgment. Our souls should be filled with awe, for we are in God's presence continually. **Each one must decide for himself whether he will obey and live or disobey and perish.**" UL 125.7

b. What is Jesus willing to do for His faithful people?

*Hebrews 7:25 "Wherefore he is _____ also to _____ them to the uttermost that _____ unto God by him, seeing he ever _____ to make _____ for them."

Note: Jesus is truly wonderful to us. He is willing to stand in our place in the judgment, pleading His blood to atone for our sins. To all who have **confessed** their sins, and in the **power of Christ, forsaken** their sins, His perfect life stands in place of their sin-marred life, and judgment is given in their favor.

*Daniel 7:22 "Until the Ancient of days came, and _____ was given to the _____ of the most High; and the time came that the _____ possessed the kingdom."

*Daniel 12:1 "And at that time shall Michael _____ up, the great prince which _____ for the children of thy _____: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy _____ shall be _____, every one that shall be found _____ in the book."

📖 What book? Revelation 3:5 "He that _____, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will _____ blot out his _____ out of the book of _____, but I will _____ his name _____ my Father, and before his angels."

8. The last part of Revelation 14:7 tells us to "worship _____ that _____ heaven, and _____, and the _____, and the fountains of waters."

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a. Who created the heavens and the earth?

Genesis 1:1 "In the beginning _____ created the _____ and the _____."

Ephesians 3:9 "And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the _____ of the world hath been hid in _____, who _____ all things **by** _____."

b. Why is He worthy of our worship?

Revelation 4:11 He _____ all things.

"Thou art _____, O Lord, to receive _____ and _____ and power: **for** thou hast _____ all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were _____."

Revelation 5:9 He R_____ us by His blood.

"And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art _____ to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast _____, and hast _____ us to God by thy _____ out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation."

c. How may we worship the Creator?

✿ John 4:23-24 "But the hour cometh, and now is, when the _____ worshipers shall worship the Father in _____ and in _____: for the Father seeketh such to _____ him. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him _____ worship him in _____ and in _____."

✿ Matthew 15:9 "But in _____ they do _____ me, teaching for _____ the commandments of _____."

✿ Psalm 96:9 "O _____ the Lord in the beauty of _____: fear before him, all the earth."

☞ We worship God in S_____ and in T_____. Our worship must be more than mere outward forms. Our heart and our spirit [thoughts and feelings] must worship Him.

☞ It is V_____ for us to worship Him according to our own way [the commandments of _____], In order for us to worship God effectively, we must worship Him according to His way – we must choose to obey the commandments of God instead of the commandments of men.

☞ We worship Him in the beauty of H_____, when we allow Christ to live His beautiful, holy, righteous character in us.

☞ We worship Him when we "F_____" Him – we have such faith in Him that we choose to obey Him always.

d. When especially should we worship the Creator?

Revelation 14:7 "Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and _____ him that made _____, and _____, and the _____, and the _____ of waters."

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This reminds us especially of which commandment? Exodus 20:11 The ____th
"For in _____ days the Lord made _____ and _____, the _____,
and _____ that in them is, and _____ the _____ day: wherefore the
Lord _____ the _____ day, and _____ it."

Note: The Sabbath was given us as the day of special worship to remind all of us regularly that God created the heavens and the earth. As we worship Him on His holy Sabbath day, **we acknowledge His sovereignty in our lives.**

"It was to keep this truth ever before the minds of men, that God instituted the Sabbath in Eden; and so long as the fact that **He is our Creator** continues to be a reason why we should worship Him, so long the Sabbath will continue as its **sign** and **memorial**. Had the Sabbath been universally kept, man's thoughts and affections would have been led to the Creator as the object of reverence and worship, and there would **never** have been an **idolater**, an **atheist**, or an **infidel**. The keeping of the Sabbath is a **sign of loyalty to the true God**, 'Him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.' It follows that the message which commands men to worship God and keep His commandments will especially call upon them to keep the fourth commandment." GC 437.2