

# REVELATION

THE HOPE OF GLORY



# Revelation: The Hope of Glory



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- Who is ultimately in charge of the universe, of history, and of eternity?
- Will there ever be a truly “just” world without the evils of hatred, racism, anarchy, violence, human trafficking, political corruption, moral bankruptcy, etc.?



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- Will there ever be an end to natural disasters like hurricanes, earthquakes, fires, plagues and pandemics, etc.?



“There are few passages more comforting  
and more terrifying in all of holy writ  
than this chapter.”

- D. A. Carson



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The Lamb and those who belong to God  
[v. 1-5]



## What characterizes the 144,000? [v. 1, 4-5]

1. They bear the name of the Lamb and of His Father.
2. They sing.
3. They are chaste / pure.
4. They follow the Lamb wherever He goes.
5. They have been redeemed.
6. They speak the truth and are blameless.



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## Three Angelic Messengers

[v. 6-13]



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The final reaping  
[v. 14-20]



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1. Humanity's greatest problem is the unavoidable reality of one day having to face the wrath of God.
2. God's great solution is the provision of the Gospel of grace.



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3. The Lord continues to offer ample warning and a universal invitation to the entire unrepentant world.
4. No matter what is going on in the world around us, those who belong to the Lamb can rest in His love and in the shalom of God.



“While I can identify with the desire to edit God’s wrath from the Bible, or to contain it to the Old Testament, to do so would compromise his holiness and my posture before it. There is no way to reach genuine repentance without striving to grasp the justice of God’s wrath.



“As long as I view his wrath as excessive or cruel, I labor under a limited understanding of the danger and depravity of sin. And I labor under a limited understanding of Calvary.”

- Jen Wilkin  
*In His Image:*

*10 Ways God Calls Us to Reflect His Character*



“We may, and I think we should, preserve a certain reverent and humble agnosticism about the precise nature of hell, as about the precise nature of heaven. Both are beyond our understanding. But clear and definite we must be that hell is an awful, eternal reality. It is not dogmatism that is unbecoming in speaking about the fact of hell; it is glibness and frivolity. How can we think about hell without tears?”

- John Stott