THE APOCALYPSE SERIES

SHOWCASING JESUS CHRIST IN PROPHECY

CAST IS FALLEN IN CHRIST



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MAIN IDEA

Caste is the race-based system that has maintained centuries of oppression and the spirit of empire on the Earth. Therefore, race is a tool of the beasts and caste is a characteristic of Babylon. Because race and caste are at the heart of Babylon the call of the Three Angel's Message is a call for the eternal dismantling and destruction of caste and every earthly form of oppression birthed from it.

KEY POINTS

a. The everlasting or eternal gospel of the three angel's is a message for the every nation, tribe, tongue, and people.

b. To fear God and give Him glory means to, in the words of Ranko Stefanovic, "take God serious, make a decisive turnaround in life, enter into a relationship with him, and be totally committed. God is then glorified through a life characterized by obedience to his commandments."

c. Worship of the Creator God and service to humanity and all creation brings glory and honor to God.

d. Every earthly empire, system, ideology, kingdom, and person who has exalted themselves as supreme over God is fallen!

e. Every system and practitioner of oppression will drink the cup of the wrath of God.

f. Conclusion: in the three angel's messages is the promise of the eternal destruction of caste and all race-based oppression.

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INSIGHTS

14:1–5 In verses 1–5, the Lamb is pictured standing with His 144,000 troops (Rev 7:4) on Mount Zion. This passage answers the question of what happens to those who refuse the mark of the beast (Rev 13:16): They are marked with the name of the Lamb and His Father, and they are victorious.

flying directly overhead The last time this phrase was used (Rev 8:13), a three-fold woe was announced—similar to what occurs here.

hour of his judgment has come Judgment is imminent. In light of the assembly of the Lamb's troops in verses 1–5, the angel can announce the arrival of judgment.

worship The angel calls his audience to worship the true God as opposed to the beast.

heaven and the earth and the sea and the springs All areas that God has judged so far.

Babylon the great Babylon, the site of the Tower of Babel and the destroyers of the Jerusalem temple (in 586 bc), was the symbol of human pride, idolatry, and immorality (Gen 11:9; Dan 4:30). Rome was guilty of the same sins that brought destruction on ancient Babylon (1Pet 5:13).

sexual immorality Probably refers to idolatry, often described as adultery in the ot, but sexual sins may be in view as well (Rev 2:14 and 18:3; Jer 51:7).

will drink They will be forced to drink; they will receive the wrath of God. **mixed full strength in the cup of his wrath** It was unmixed—not weakened by diluting with water. For the cup of wrath imagery, Jer 25:15–29.

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with fire and sulphur Foreshadows the events of Rev 19:20; 20:10, 14–15.

14:11 forever and ever This is NOT torture that lasts forever, rather the effects of this fire will lasts forever. Those who burn are forever gone and never to return. A never ending torture would meaning that even the wicked live forever.

14:12 patient endurance of the saints Refers to their perseverance in the pursuit of righteousness and faith. Like Rev 13:10, this is an encouragement for believers but with a view toward eternal destiny: Those who persist in faith and do not take part in the worship of the beast will avoid the second death and receive divine blessing (Rev. 13; 20:12–15).