



## The End wk10: Here Comes the Judge

**Introduction:** The first of the “judgment” passages begin in Revelation 14 where 3 angels appear with last minute messages before the great “harvest” begins. The message can be frightening and the scene feared, but there is also something greater about God being revealed, even in the end.

### Discussion Questions

1. In the 10<sup>th</sup> video Shane talks about the idea of the rapture. Did anything that he said surprise you? Why do you think this idea has become the dominant idea over the last 100 years? How can this idea of a rapture lead to some unhealthy practices by individual Christians and the church?
2. When we think about judgment, what ideas or emotions come to mind? Is this something to be feared? Where is the line between excited about your hope being justified and being eager for others to receive punishment?
3. Read **Revelation 14:6-7** What is the first angel declaring and to whom? What is the “eternal gospel?” Why would that be the angelic message in the moments leading up to judgment? What does that say about God?
4. Read **Revelation 14:8** Why is Babylon declared fallen when it hasn’t occurred yet (either in the book or in the readers experience)? What is being alluded to when Babylon is accused of “adulteries?” How were or are all nations of the world drinking of those adulteries?
5. Read **Revelation 14:9-10** This is one of the most descriptive pictures of judgment. How is the picture of judgment also an invitation to repent? What do you think about the punishment that those who worship the beast receive? Is God just in doing that?
6. In the sermon, Jeremy quoted an atheist who talked about not respecting Christians who don’t evangelize. Respond to the idea that some of us are afraid to witness because of the social awkwardness, but still believe that those who refuse to submit to Jesus will be punished.

**Shaping Your Mind** – *Revelation 14:13b* “Write this: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.”

**Moving Forward** – Judgment isn’t to be feared or ignored. It calls for trust in our Lord.