SMITH FOR CHRIST

TEACHING THE WORD · WATCHING THE TIMES

REFLECTION JOURNAL · FIVE DAYS

Revelation

Chapter 14

The Lamb on Mount Zion: Two Harvests

MEMORY VERSE · REVELATION 14:13

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

THIS JOURNAL BELONGS TO _____

BEFORE YOU BEGIN

This week in Revelation 14

After the darkness of chapter 13, this week opens with good news: the Lamb is standing, and not one of His own is lost. Revelation 14 sets two cups and two harvests before every man. Come to the text honestly, and let the Lamb put a new song in your mouth.

How to use this journal

1. Each day, read the passage slowly — out loud if you can.
2. Answer the **Observe** question from the text before you write what it means.
3. Write honestly on the **Reflect** questions. No one grades this.
4. Do the **Respond** step today, not someday. Say the memory verse.
5. Bring this journal to the group. The last page is for the table.

The O·I·A study, the slides and the film for this chapter are on the Revelation study page.

WHERE I AM AS I START THIS CHAPTER

What is going on in my life right now that I want to bring to God this week?

DAY 1 OF 5

Standing with the Lamb

READ · REVELATION 14:1–5

OBSERVE — WHAT DOES IT SAY?

List every description of the 144,000 in verses 1–5. Whose names are written on their foreheads (v1)?

REFLECT

They "follow the Lamb wherever He goes" (v4). Where is Jesus leading you right now that you would rather not follow, and what makes it hard?

REFLECT

"No lie was found in their mouth" (v5). What half-truth or secret have you kept to protect your image, and what would it cost you — and free you — to bring it into the light?

RESPOND — TODAY

Tell the truth today in one place where you usually shade it. Thank Jesus that you were purchased by His blood (v4), not by your performance.

☐ READ IT ☐ PRAYED IT ☐ SAID THE MEMORY VERSE (REVELATION 14:13)

DAY 2 OF 5

Good News at the Edge

READ · REVELATION 14:6–8

OBSERVE — WHAT DOES IT SAY?

To whom does the first angel preach (v6), and what three things does he tell them to do (v7)?

REFLECT

The angel says, "Fear God, and give Him glory" (v7). What does fearing God — taking Him seriously — look like in your ordinary day: at work, in your bunk, at your kitchen table?

REFLECT

Babylon made the nations drink "the wine of the passion of her immorality" (v8). What has the world offered you that you have quietly started to drink again?

RESPOND — TODAY

Write down the name of one man who needs the good news. Pray for him by name, and look for a chance this week to tell him what Jesus has done for you.

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DAY 3 OF 5

Two Cups

READ · REVELATION 14:9–13

OBSERVE — WHAT DOES IT SAY?

What happens to those who worship the beast (vv10–11), and what does the voice from heaven say about those who die in the Lord (v13)?

REFLECT

The beast's worshipers "have no rest day and night" (v11). Where has something that promised you rest — a drink, a drug, a relationship, money — left you more restless than before?

REFLECT

Jesus drank the cup of wrath for you in Gethsemane (Matthew 26:39). How does knowing that change the way you read verses 10–11 — and the way you see your own past?

RESPOND — TODAY

Pray: Lord Jesus, thank You for drinking the cup I deserved. Then do one thing today for Christ, knowing your deeds follow with you (v13).

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DAY 4 OF 5

The Reaper on the Cloud

READ · REVELATION 14:14–16

OBSERVE — WHAT DOES IT SAY?

Describe the One sitting on the white cloud (v14). What does the angel from the temple say about the harvest (v15)?

REFLECT

God waited until "the harvest of the earth is ripe" (v15) before He reaped. When has God been patient with you — times He waited when He could have judged?

REFLECT

Knowing history ends in a harvest, what are you planting in your life right now that you would want gathered when He comes?

RESPOND — TODAY

Thank God for one specific time He was patient with you. Ask Him to make you patient with one person who is testing you this week.

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DAY 5 OF 5

The Wine Press

READ · REVELATION 14:17–20

OBSERVE — WHAT DOES IT SAY?

Where are the clusters from the vine of the earth thrown (v19), and where is the wine press trodden (v20)?

REFLECT

This is a hard, bloody picture (v20). Why do you think God shows it to us, and what does it tell you about how seriously He takes sin?

REFLECT

At Calvary Jesus was crushed in our place. How does the cross keep the wine press from being the end of your story?

RESPOND — TODAY

Read Deuteronomy 30:19 and choose life again today in prayer. Ask God to show you one person you can help choose life this week.

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WHEN THE GROUP MEETS

Questions for the table

FOR THE GROUP · 1

Our teachers differ on whether Mount Zion in verse 1 is on earth or in heaven. What clues did you notice in verses 1–3, and does the answer change the comfort of the passage?

FOR THE GROUP · 2

Verse 12 ties perseverance to keeping God's commandments and holding faith in Jesus. Which of those was hardest for you this week, and why?

FOR THE GROUP · 3

If your deeds followed you into eternity today (v13), what would they say you lived for?

MY PRAYER

Lamb of God, thank You for drinking the cup I deserved so that I could rest; put a new song in my mouth and…

CUT OUT · CARRY IT · REVELATION 14:13

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