

REVELATION: Lesson 130

Chapter 14:5-11, No Guile / The Everlasting Gospel / Results of Taking the Mark

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NO GUILLE (Vs 5)

Guile is a method of deceiving someone or cheating them without actually lying to them, but rather, by withholding information from them, which would shed light upon the whole truth of the situation. It is a deliberate attempt to mislead someone or to avoid blame or to benefit yourself in some way by altering the facts or omitting some crucial information.

Zephaniah 3:8-13

In the millennial day, the Jewish remnant shall not have a deceitful tongue (vs 13). The 144,000 witnesses are described as such even before that day.

Romans 9:6-7

Why will there only be a remnant of believing Jews in the millennial kingdom? Because they are not all Israel, which are of Israel. Their link to Abraham is not sufficient for salvation. They need to have faith.

John 1:43-47

Jesus proclaimed that Nathanael was “**an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile.**” Nathanael’s deeds showed him to be a true Israelite. But the Lord looked at his heart and knew that this man did not speak with a deceitful tongue.

- Philip is a picture of the Tribulation witness who tells a Jew about Jesus.
- Nathanael typifies the Tribulation Jew who hears about Jesus, and because his heart is right, he believes that truth and follows the Lord.

Luke 3:7-8

John the Baptist told the Jews to bring forth fruits worthy of repentance because their connection to Abraham is not enough to escape the wrath to come. They need to show their faith in God through their deeds. They need to repent of their wrongdoings.

HOW DO WE KNOW THESE ARE THE SAME 144,000 FROM CHAPTER 7?

1. The number is identical.
 2. In chapter 14, the 144,000 are not identified in the detail found in chapter 7 because it is the same group of witnesses.
 3. They are Jewish (firstfruits, no guile).
 4. There would be no conclusion to the ministry of the group in chapter 7 if chapter 14 doesn’t refer to them.
 5. The witnesses in 7:3 are “**sealed in their foreheads.**” In 14:1, the Father’s name is “**written in their foreheads.**” Some have said this is proof they are a different group. No, Chapter 7 states the fact that they were sealed. Chapter 14 details what was in the seal.
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BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD (Vs 5)

Hebrews 12:18-22

- There is a Mount Zion that cannot be touched by anyone on Earth. It is in Heaven with the heavenly Jerusalem.
 - The witnesses are before the throne of God in Heaven, not on Earth.
 - They didn't die, they were caught up out of the Earth (Gleanings).
 - The Church is already in heaven when the witnesses get there (vs 23).
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THE EVERLASTING GOSPEL (Vs 6)

The everlasting gospel is preached by an angel; therefore, it is not the gospel of the grace of God which we preach today.

1 Peter 1:9-12

Angels desire to look into the gospel preached unto you with the Holy Ghost (vs 12). God hasn't revealed this gospel to the angels or the Old Testament prophets.

- 1 Peter is an epistle for the Church. It was not intended for Jews in the Tribulation.
- Peter is writing about a gospel of grace which was not intended for the prophets (vs 10). It was revealed unto us by the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven (vs 12) (at Pentecost).
- If Peter were writing to Tribulation saints, he would tell them to listen to the angel.

Acts 10:1-6

- Cornelius desires the truth. An angel of God instructs him to send for Peter to get the truth (vs 5).
 - The angel cannot give Cornelius the gospel. He must get it from Peter.

Galatians 1:7-8

- The Church is told that if an angel preaches a different gospel, he is to be accursed.
- The Church is gone during the Tribulation, or else the angel in chapter 14 would be accursed.
- The gospel preached in Revelation 14 is for those who remain in the Tribulation.

Revelation 14:7

- The everlasting gospel is this: Fear God, give glory to Him, judgment is come, worship God the Creator.
 - Good news (Gospel): God is giving you one last chance.
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RESULTS OF TAKING THE MARK OF THE BEAST (Revelation 14:8-11)

Taking the mark of the Beast is a permanent choice. Nothing can remove that mark (Jer 18:23).

1. The mark allows you to buy or sell during the Tribulation (Rev 13:17).
 2. God will put a noisome and grievous sore on your body (Rev 16:2).
 3. You will be tormented with fire and brimstone forever (Rev 14:10-11).
 4. After 1,000 years in Hell, you get resurrected, Judged, and cast into the Lake of Fire (Rev 20:5, 15).
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