

Chapter 12

The Great Red Dragon

Satan

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The Sea Beast

Political Power
of Rome

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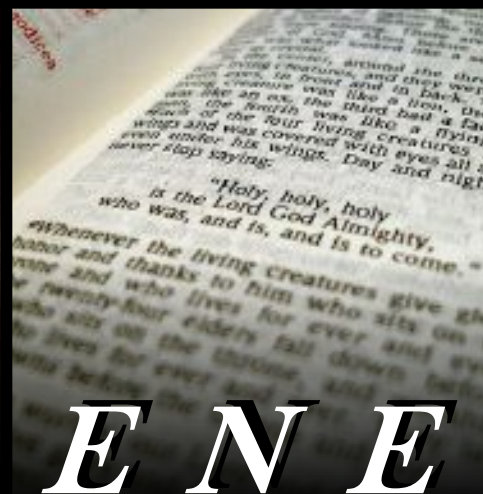
The Earth Beast

False Religion
of Rome

Chapter 14

Babylon, The Harlot

Immorality
of Rome



THE ENEMIES

Revelation Review

Chapter 12: The first great enemy is introduced! The great red dragon (the devil) is described as trying to defeat Jesus. He can't! Jesus defeats Him at Calvary and he then resorts to persecuting the people of God. At this time he used Rome, but he continues to assault God's people today (1 Peter 5:8).

Chapter 13: The devil's two henchmen are introduced. The beast from the sea (the great political power of Rome) and the beast from the earth (emperor worship) are both being used by Satan to accomplish his purposes. They both are being used to try to destroy the kingdom of God; they are waging war with God's people (verse 7).

Chapter 14: God's people will be victorious and the enemies will suffer judgment from God!

Message of the book: Christ Wins (17:14)!

Revelation 14

- 1. Verses 1-5: The saints are pictured in victory in heaven.**
- 2. Verses 6-7: The first angel comes proclaiming good tidings to mankind. He tells them to worship God because Rome's judgment has come!**
- 3. Verse 8: "Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great..."**
- 4. Verses 9-11: The punishment of the wicked is announced (20:10-15).**
- 5. Verses 12-13: The reward of the faithful is announced!**
- 6. Verses 14-20: God declares His patience with Rome to be up! Her wickedness is full. Full judgment will come upon her now!**

An Interlude: The Lamb and the 144,000

Revelation 14

Summary of the chapter:

In this chapter we learn that Rome's power is limited. She may have been powerful, but not more powerful than God! God's people may have been suffering, but God will vindicate them and bring judgment upon the empire. God saw everything that was taking place and was ready to bring down the enemies of His people.

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Summary of the chapter:

In this chapter we find God about to unleash (in detail) His judgment upon the enemies of His people. We see a vision of God's people standing in victory and the seven bowls of wrath about to be poured out on the Roman Empire.

Thoughts to think about: Do you consider yourself as having “overcome?” Does this chapter motivate you to live right?

An Interlude: The Scene of Victory!

THE REVELATION

The background image is a dramatic illustration of the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse. They are riding their respective horses (white, red, black, and pale) across a landscape that appears to be a giant, unrolled scroll. The sky is dark and stormy. The title 'THE REVELATION' is written in large, stylized letters at the top.

**Two kingdoms still compete for the
hearts of men.
Which will we choose?**