Sermon Discussion Guide[1]
Rev 14:14-20 | Kevin DeYoung

"A Bloody Harvest"
Sunday Morning, February 25th, 2024

1. What has your understanding been about this second coming of Christ prior to this series? What was new or re-emphasized for you?

2. Read 1 Thess 4:16-18. How would these verses have brought courage to the Thessalonian Church?

3. Does the anticipation of a single, public, personal return of Christ encourage you? How?

4. How are you living for this Day of Safekeeping? Recalling what you read in Matthew 24, how are we to live in anticipation of the certain Day of Judgement?

5. Kevin cited several passages that were quite graphic. What are some reasons our culture tends to shy away from these passages? Does the Church today do this too?[2]

6. Kevin gave three reasons for our indignation at the violence of the wrath of God described in these verses. Take a moment to discuss them.
   a. We haven't experienced real oppression at the hand of God's enemies like the people of Israel experienced.
   b. We don't fully appreciate the extent of our sin.
   c. We don't comprehend the holiness of God.

7. The story of Noah and the Ark was (in-part) a foreshadowing the future judgement of the world and preservation of God's people. Consider together the ark as a place of safety. How is the story of Noah instructive for us today?

General Outline

I.   A Single Return
II. God's People: A Day of Safekeeping
III. World: A Day of Terrible Judgement

Questions for Kids:

- What do you remember about the sermon Sunday morning?
- Do you have any favorite stories about kings? How is Jesus *our* king?
- Even though some things from the Bible are scary, can we still trust God?
- Since Jesus is coming back soon to judge the whole world, what should Christians be doing?