



GULF SHORES

CHURCH OF CHRIST

SUNDAY NIGHT SERIES

LESSON FOURTEEN: Unveiling the Heart of the Conflict (12:1-14:20)

Sunday Evening Message February 21, 2016 (by Ray Reynolds)

Introduction: We need to remember two important things about the previous chapters. First, no one living in the Roman empire, especially Christians and Jews, could ignore the disasters that were upon them. Second, Jesus prophesied of these judgments (**Matthew 24**) and so did many of the prophets. Tonight we will see what led up to these events, starting at the beginning of time. These are exciting chapters! Let's study together....

Discussion:

I. The Woman, Child, Dragon, & the Woman's Offspring (12:1-17)

What can we learn about the kingdom of God?

What can we learn about the strange paradoxes of Revelation?

What are the differences between the Lamb and the Beast?

II. The Beast From the Sea (13:1-10) & The Beast From the Land (13:11-18)

What can we learn about the beast of the sea?

What can we learn about the beast from the land?

III. The Lamb & the 144,000 on Mount Zion (14:1-5)

What can we learn from the song of the saved?

What can we learn about the saints?

IV. The Visions of Judgment (14:6-20)

What are the three proclamations of the three angels?

What is the purpose of the reaping and the grapes of wrath?

Conclusion: There are basically two things to consider before we close this lesson. First, we need to remember **Hebrews 10:31** that says, "It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God." Second, we need to remember that God is protecting His Saints. Have you heeded the warnings of the Lord? Are you ready to meet God? Are you ready for Jesus to come again? Have you taken steps to ensure your salvation? Are you working out your salvation?