

Revelation 14:9-12

The Everlasting Judgment That Christ Dispenses
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God's Wrath Upon Beast Worshipers

Revelation 14:9-10 Then another angel, a third one, followed them, saying with a loud voice, "If anyone worships the beast and his image, and receives a mark on his forehead or on his hand, 10 he also will drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is mixed in full strength in the cup of His anger, and he will be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb.

Thumos = vehement fury
Orge = settled indignation

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Revelation 14:11-12 And the smoke of their torment goes up forever and ever; they have no rest day and night, those who worship the beast and his image, and whoever receives the mark of his name." 12 Here is the perseverance of the saints who keep the commandments of God and their faith in Jesus.

- αἰῶνας αἰῶνων = "ages of ages" – unlimited time
- Similar phrase occurs 8 times in Revelation to refer to God and Christ's eternity! (1:18; 4:9, 10; 5:13; 7:12; 10:6; 11:15; 15:7)

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Heretics Deny Everlasting Punishment

"A staggering number of people have been taught that a select few Christians will spend forever in a peaceful, joyous place called heaven, while the rest of humanity spends forever in torment and punishment in hell with no chance for anything better.... This is misguided and toxic and ultimately subverts the contagious spread of Jesus's message of love, peace, forgiveness, and joy that our world desperately needs to hear" (Bell, *Love Wins*, preface).

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Daniel 12:2 Many of those who sleep in the dust of the ground will awake, these to everlasting life, but the others to disgrace and everlasting contempt.

2 Thessalonians 1:6-10 "For after all it is only just for God to repay with affliction those who afflict you, 7 and to give relief to you who are afflicted and to us as well when the Lord Jesus will be revealed from heaven with His mighty angels in flaming fire, 8 dealing out retribution to those who do not know God and to those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. 9 These will pay the penalty of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power..."

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How Do We Resolve This?

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The Perishing Won't "See God's Face"

Numbers 6:24-26 The LORD bless you, and keep you; 25 The LORD **make His face shine on you**, And be gracious to you; 26 The LORD lift up His countenance on you, And give you peace.'

Psalm 80:3 "O God, restore us and **cause Your face to shine upon us**, and we will be saved."

Deuteronomy 31:18 But **I will surely hide My face** in that day because of all the evil which they will do, for they will turn to other gods.
