

# Introduction Is God a cruel moral monster if He judges and destroys people He created in His own image? Revelation 14:12-13

#### Of Clouds and Crowns

Clouds: imagery of power and majesty

Crown: signifying authority and sovereignty

"How significant of his final triumph will that crown of gold be about those brows that were once covered with bloody sweat when he was fighting the battle for our salvation!" (Spurgeon)



### Of Harvesting and Reaping

Ripe: to become dry or withered – rotting

God will judge the earth only when it is over-ripe... He does not rush into judgment.

"All the world tastes of his sparing mercy, those who hear the gospel partake of his inviting mercy, the saints live by his saving mercy, are preserved by his upholding mercy, are cheered by his consoling mercy, and will enter heaven through his infinite and everlasting mercy." (Spurgeon)



## Of Harvesting and Reaping

Reaping: in this context it's about facing the consequences related to the choice they have made; the separation between those who choose Christ and those who won't



Of Prayers and Consequences



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Wrath: fully ripe rage

Gen 6:5

Gen 15:16

Heb 12:14-15

We need to aware of this principle... when your iniquity is full, your sin will be disciplined.



## Of Prayers and Consequences

Preview of Armageddon

Isa 63:1-5



#### Of Escape and Salvation

"For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.

God sent his Son into the world not to judge the world, but to save the world through him. "There is no judgment against anyone who believes in him. But anyone who does not believe in him has already been judged for not believing in God's one and only Son.



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And the judgment is based on this fact: God's light came into the world, but people loved the darkness more than the light, for their actions were evil. All who do evil hate the light and refuse to go near it for fear their sins will be exposed.

But those who do what is right come to the light so others can see that they are doing what God wants."



