take time **20 December** **Revelation 14:14-15:8** read

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The harvest is ripe

study

The judgment on this earth is illustrated in two ways;

1. The harvest with a sickle (vv14-16) – this judgment targets the non-Jewish nations on this earth
2. The grape harvest (vv17-20) – the vine of this earth is Israel. A sickle is used here as well – because of their falling away from God.

Then the angels with the seven golden bowls appear, speaking of God's last judgments over the earth. As terrible as these judgments will be: They will have an end, when God has reached His aim!

In the midst of all these judgments John sees the overcomers in heaven. Note: It is not said that the beast has overcome these believers with death. No, these believers have overcome the beast because they have not joined in the falling away from God. Even if they had to pay for their faithfulness with their lives – now they may sing (vv1-8)!

answer

36. What songs do the various groups of people sing in chapter 5:8-9; 14:2-3; 15:2-3?

inform

The symbolic language of Revelation, part 12:

- „the grape harvest" = judgment over apostate Israel
- „the winepress" = the holy wrath of God
- „Seven golden bowls" = the execution of the righteous wrath of God

think

As a Christian you may already here and how begin to sing songs to the Lord Jesus.

note down

36. Chapter 5:8: They sing a new song. Chapter 14:2-3: They also sing a new song. Chapter 152-3: They sing the song of Moses (the first song in the Bible; Exodus 15) and the song of the lamb (from the last book of the Bible).