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We have a Friend in heaven! "...It is Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us." Although things are falling apart on planet earth, Jesus has not forgotten us! He lived here, walked our streets, and identified Himself by becoming One of us— part of the human family. His tenderest sympathy is with us, and He is COMING BACK!

How do we know this?

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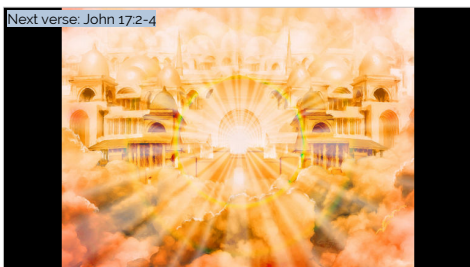
John 14:1-3

Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, _____ also in Me. (2) In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. (3) And if I go and prepare a place for you, I _____ and receive you to Myself; that where I am there you may be also.

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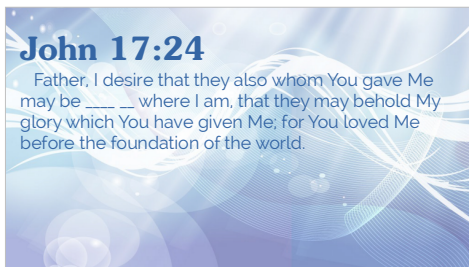
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What a promise! Just as surely as Jesus came the first time, we can know for a certainty that He will return. Not only that, He is preparing a place for us—a heavenly mansion.

What is Jesus' greatest longing?

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John 17:24

Father, I desire that they also whom You gave Me may be _____ where I am, that they may behold My glory which You have given Me; for You loved Me before the foundation of the world.

Father, I desire that they also whom You gave Me may be **with Me** where I am, that they may behold My glory which You have given Me; for You loved Me before the foundation of the world.

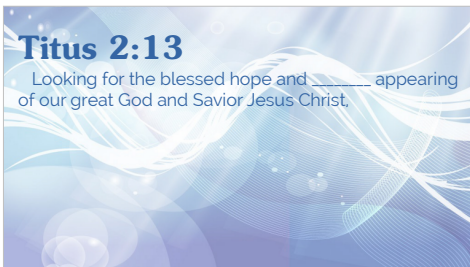
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His greatest desire is for us to be WITH HIM—for eternity. This is why He came to our earth. This is why He lived and died and rose again. He had you and me on His mind. His goal is our forever redemption from sin, restoring us to a planet made new, free from the effects of evil and death.

What will the return of Jesus be like?

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Titus 2:13

Looking for the blessed hope and _____ appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,

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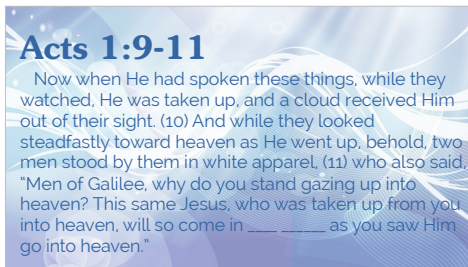
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His appearing will be glorious! He will come as the Majesty of heaven, King of kings and Lord of lords, in magnificence and power, with all the bright, holy angels escorting Him on His way. He will wear a crown of glory and a robe of whitest white. To see our Redeemer and King coming back for us is our blessed hope!

How will His return be like His ascension when He left earth?

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Acts 1:9-11

Now when He had spoken these things, while they watched, He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight. (10) And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as He went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel, (11) who also said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in _____ as you saw Him go into heaven."

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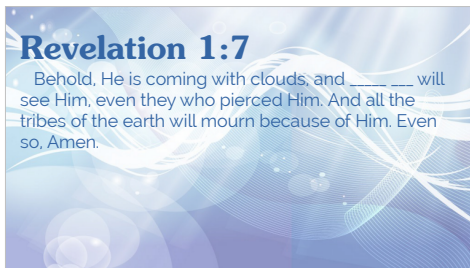


Next verse: Revelation 17

His coming will be literal and real! His disciples **saw** Him ascend into heaven, and the cloud receive Him. Angels assured them that His coming would be "in like manner".

So will we actually see Him when He comes, or could it possibly be a secret event?

Acts 1:11



Revelation 1:7

Behold, He is coming with clouds, and _____ will see Him, even they who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him. Even so, Amen.

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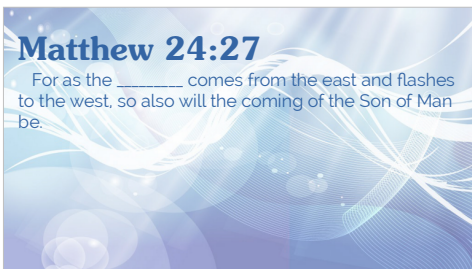
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Next verse: Matthew 24:27

Everyone will get to see Jesus come back! It will not be subtle or secret, but visible around the world!

What did Jesus compare it to?



Matthew 24:27

For as the _____ comes from the east and flashes to the west, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.

Matthew 24:27

For as the **lightning** comes from the east and flashes to the west, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.



Next verse: Psalm 50:3, Jeremiah 25:30

There is nothing secret about lightning! Just as it illuminates the entire sky, Jesus' coming will be witnessed by the entire universe.

Will it be an audible event?



Psalm 50:3

Our God shall come, and shall not keep _____; a fire shall devour before Him, and it shall be very tempestuous all around Him

Jeremiah 25:30

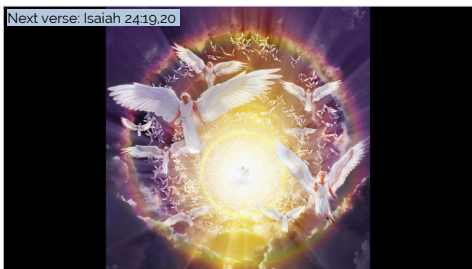
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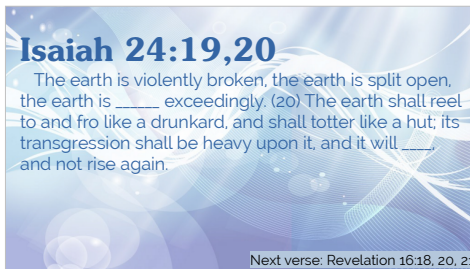
"The Lord will **roar** from on high, and utter His voice from His holy habitation; He will roar mightily against His fold, He will give a **shout**..."



Next verse: Isaiah 24:19,20

It will be a cataclysmic event! As dark clouds clash together and the elements roar, the sky seems to open and shut, revealing the glory of God. In the middle of the angry sky is one space of indescribable brightness, from which the voice of God pronounces, "It is done!"

What is happening on earth at this time?



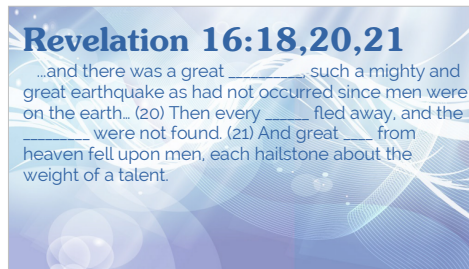
Isaiah 24:19,20

The earth is violently broken, the earth is split open, the earth is _____ exceedingly. (20) The earth shall reel to and fro like a drunkard, and shall totter like a hut; its transgression shall be heavy upon it, and it will _____ and not rise again.

Next verse: Revelation 16:18, 20, 21

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Revelation 16:18,20,21

...and there was a great _____, such a mighty and great earthquake as had not occurred since men were on the earth... (20) Then every _____ fled away, and the _____ were not found. (21) And great _____ from heaven fell upon men, each hailstone about the weight of a talent.

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The earth convulses at the approach of the King of kings. The most powerful earthquake our planet has ever seen shakes the very foundations of earth. Cities are reduced to rubble.

Prophecy of Christ's 2nd Coming 20



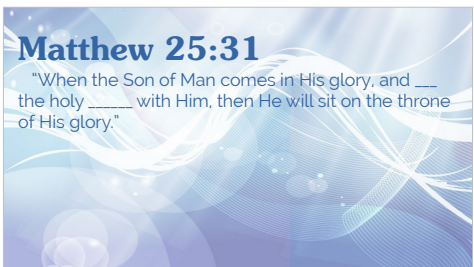
Hurricanes shriek like the sound of demons on a mission of destruction. The sea is lashed into fury. It engulfs seaports that rival Sodom for wickedness. Entire chains of inhabited islands disappear.

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The heaving and swelling of the earth displaces mountains, and rocks are hurled from the earth. Gigantic hailstones destroy proud cities. Lavish mansions constructed by the great men of the world, crumble into ruins before their eyes. Jesus is on His way! He is not alone.
Who will be with Him?

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Matthew 25:31

"When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and _____ the holy _____ with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory."

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Prophecy of Christ's 2nd Coming 23



All the angels of heaven will be with Jesus when He returns! The Bible speaks of ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands—the sky will be filled with angels!

Prophecy of Christ's 2nd Coming 24



Deliverance has come for God's faithful people! Some are refugees in remote forests or solitary mountain strongholds; others have been imprisoned for their faith. The wicked have set a time for the destruction of dissenters, to forever silence their voice of reproof. Satan and his evil angels urge their followers forward, preparing for the work of death. It seems like all options for the righteous have been exhausted. At the moment of their greatest extremity, God intervenes.

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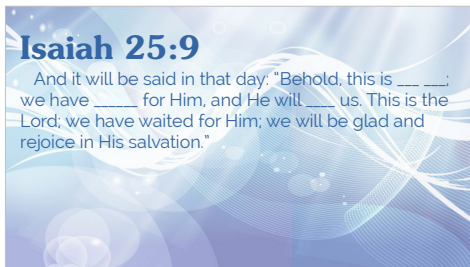


Next verse: Isaiah 25:9

Those who are anticipating the opportunity to execute the death decree suddenly forget the objects of their rage. All they want is to get away from the overpowering brightness and glory of God. Prisons shake open, freeing people who have been imprisoned for their faith. With solemn joy God's people welcome the signs of their deliverance. There is a mighty shout of victory!

What are they saying?

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Isaiah 25:9

And it will be said in that day: "Behold, this is _____; we have _____ for Him, and He will _____ us. This is the Lord; we have waited for Him; we will be glad and rejoice in His salvation."

Isaiah 25:9

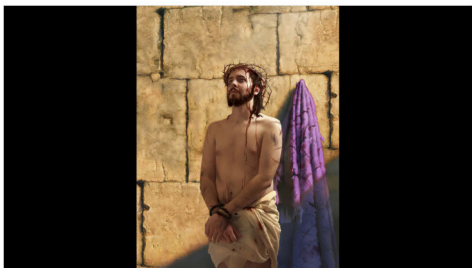
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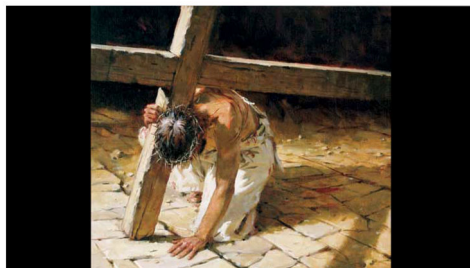


Another group do not share this joy as they see Jesus. The Bible mentioned "*they who pierced Him*". Rooted to the scene from which they would give anything to escape, they recall how they mocked, tormented and whipped the Son of God. That scene in the judgment hall before the crucifixion comes vividly to their minds.

Revelation 1:7



They remember rudely putting an old purple robe on Jesus, pushing the crown of thorns deep into His forehead, and placing a mock scepter in His unresisting hand as they bowed before Him in blasphemous mockery. In their minds they see again His noble bearing, His uncomplaining patience as they smote and spit on the One Who had come to give them eternal life.



They recall Him falling under the weight of the cross, how they taunted and ridiculed Him; how they shouted, *"We have no king but Caesar"*, and, *"His blood be on us and on our children."* They realize how terribly they had pronounced their own doom.



Each remembers the part he played at Jesus' crucifixion. The soldier who pierced His side, and those who drove the nails through His feet and hands — hands that had healed and blessed and ministered to others — are filled with terror and remorse. The ones who jeered, *"If He is the Christ, let Him come down from the cross, and we will believe Him. He trusted in God, let Him deliver Him now,"* recall their words with horror. Vainly they attempt to hide from the presence of the King of Kings
Are the righteous dead also raised to see Jesus return?

1 Thessalonians 4:16,17
 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. (17) Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord.

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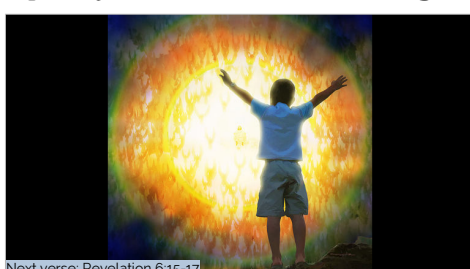
Above the roar of the elements is heard the voice of the Son of God, as He calls out the believers in Jesus who are asleep in their graves. Throughout the whole earth, graves burst open and the righteous dead from the time of Adam to the present rise from their dusty beds. From caverns and oceans, from mountains and valleys, Satan's prison house of death releases its captives, raised to immortal life.



Happy reunions of families and loved ones are celebrated with shouts of triumph and victory. Children are returned to their mother's arms. Friends separated by death are reunited. Together with those who have survived the events at the close of earth's history, they are caught up to meet the Lord in the air!
How has their appearance changed?

1 Corinthians 15:51-54
 Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed—(52) in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be _____. (53) For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on _____. (54) So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory."

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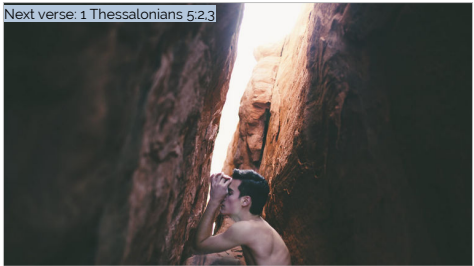


At the call of the Life-giver they are glorified and made immortal. They rise with the vitality and freshness of eternal youth. All traces of disease and deformity have disappeared. The sorrows of their life on earth are forgotten in the welcoming presence of Jesus. To see His face has been the moment they have anticipated for so long. With unbounded joy, they break forth in praise and singing.
What happens to the wicked who are on the earth when Jesus comes?

Revelation 6:15-17
 And the kings of the earth, the great men, the rich men, the commanders, the mighty men, every slave and every free man, _____ themselves in caves and in rocks of the mountains, (16) and said to the mountains and rocks, "Fall on us and _____ us from the face of Him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb!" (17) For the great day of His wrath has come, and who is able to stand?"

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Next verse: 1 Thessalonians 5:2,3



The terror of the wicked is beyond description. In vain they try to hide from the appearance of Jesus. His majesty and glory surpass anything they have ever seen. In horror and agony they cry for the rocks and mountains to hide them from His face. His presence, life to the righteous, is to them a consuming fire, which blots them from the earth.

Has the coming of Jesus taken them by surprise?

1 Thessalonians 5:2,3

For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night. (3) For when they say, "_____ and _____!" Then sudden _____ comes upon them, as a labor pains upon a pregnant women. And they shall not escape.

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Next verse: 1 Thessalonians 5:4-6

When people are sitting back enjoying ease, luxury, and pleasure; when they are absorbed with buying and selling, anticipating prosperous gains, suddenly their ambitions come to an end.

God has been left out of their plans. Philosophy has banished any fear of judgment, and religious teachers are predicting peace and prosperity. They are as unprepared for Jesus' coming as they would be for a thief entering their home at night.

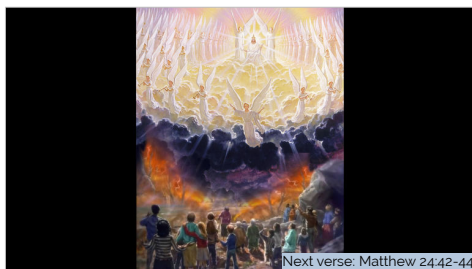
Do we need to be caught off guard by Christ's return?

1 Thessalonians 5:4-6

But you, brethren, are not in darkness, so that this day should overtake you as a thief. (5) You are all sons of _____ and sons of the day. We are not of the night nor of darkness. (6) Therefore let us not sleep, as others do, but let us _____ and be sober.

2 Thessalonians 5:4,5

But you, brethren, are not in darkness, so that this day should overtake you as a thief. (5) You are all sons of **light** and sons of the day. We are not of the night nor of darkness. (6) Therefore let us not sleep, as others do, but let us **watch** and be sober.



Next verse: Matthew 24:42-44

The Word of God is our protection against false teachers and spirits of darkness. Satan hates the Bible because it exposes his deceptions. His counterfeits will appear genuine. But we must test every teaching, miracle, and manifestation by God's word. Those who choose to keep all the commandments of God will face opposition and derision. In order to endure the last great conflict and be prepared for Jesus' return, our minds must be immersed in the Word of God. We will have to choose whether to obey God or man. **How do we know when to prepare?**

Matthew 24:42-44

Watch therefore, for you do not know what hour your Lord is coming. (43) But know this, that if the master of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched and not allowed his house to be broken into. (44) Therefore you also _____, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not _____

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Next verse: Luke 17:26,28,34-37



Jesus told us to watch, and be ready. Every day we are to study the Scriptures, comparing verse with verse, and, with God's help, learn what is truth and also encourage others to walk in its light. We can't depend on anyone else for our salvation. We are individually responsible to God. Our own future well-being, and that of others that we are connected with, depends on the preparation we are making today. God is ready and willing to guide those who are open to His leading.

What does the Bible say about the secret rapture?

Luke 17:26, 28, 34-37

And as it was in the days of Noah; so it will be also in the days of the Son of Man... (28) Likewise as it was also in the days of Lot: They ate, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they built; (34) I tell you, in that night there will be two men in one bed: the one will be _____ and the other will be left. (35) Two women will be grinding together: the one will be _____ and the other left. (36) Two men will be in the field: the one will be _____ and the other left. (37) And they answered and said to Him, "_____ Lord?" So He said to them, "Wherever the body is, there the eagles will be gathered together."

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Next verse: Matthew 25:1-5

Some say these verses show that the saints quietly disappear when Jesus returns. As we have learned, however, Jesus' coming will not be a secret, but a worldwide, cataclysmic event. A careful reading of the entire passage shows that those who are "taken" do not go **anywhere**, but are DEAD, as when "the flood came, and **took them all away**." That is why Jesus answered His disciples query of "**where**" the way He did. No one will be left alive on the earth after Jesus returns. The wicked are slain by the brightness of His coming; those who are left are "**caught up**" to meet the Lord in the air.

What prepare did Jesus tell to show how we should prepare for His soon return?

* Matthew 24:39

Matthew 25:1-5

"Then the kingdom of heaven shall be likened to ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. (2) Now five of them were wise, and five were foolish. (3) Those who were foolish took their lamps and took no ___ with them, (4) but the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. (5) But while the bridegroom was delayed, they all slumbered and ___

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Next verse: Matthew 25:6-10

Wedding festivities in many parts of the East are held in the evening. The bridegroom goes to meet his bride and bring her to his own home. With torches and music, the wedding procession proceeds to the home of the bridegroom, where a feast has been prepared for all the invited guests.

Lingering near the bride's home were ten young women with lit lamps, waiting to join the procession. But there was a delay. As hour after hour passed, they all fell asleep.

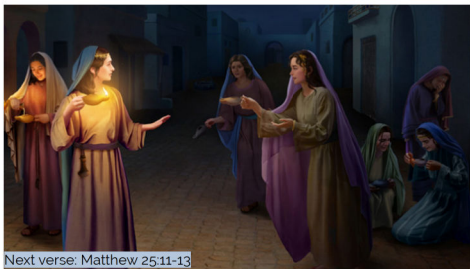
What happened next?

Matthew 25:6-10

"And at midnight a cry was heard: 'Behold, the bridegroom is coming; go out to meet him!' (7) Then all those virgins arose and trimmed their lamps. (8) And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' (9) But the wise answered, saying, 'No, lest there should not be enough for us and you; but go rather to those who sell, and buy for yourselves.' (10) And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding; and the ___ was ___

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Next verse: Matthew 25:11-13

At midnight the girls awake at the shouts of the bridegroom's appearance, but five, neglecting to bring extra oil for their lamps, are unprepared for the emergency. While they went to try to find some, the other five joined the procession and went to the feast, and the door was shut. This story represents the church just before Jesus returns. All have lamps (representing the Word of God), and containers for oil (which represents the Holy Spirit). They look pretty much alike, until their faith is tested. What happens to those who are unprepared?

Matthew 25:11-13

"Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open to us!' (12) But he answered and said, 'Assuredly, I say to you, I do not ___ you.' (13) 'Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour in which the Son of Man is coming.

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Next verse: Ezekiel 33:31,32

Without the Spirit of God, a superficial knowledge of the Bible is not enough to change the heart. Without the enlightenment of the Spirit, it is impossible to distinguish between truth and error and keep from being deceived by Satan. Those who are daily seeking God and consenting to His work in their lives are being transformed by His Spirit. But for some, spirituality goes no further than lip service. They do not take the time to study the character of God, talk to Him in prayer, or ask Him for the power to resist temptation. They never learn how to trust Him and depend on His promises.

How does the Bible describe this?

Ezekiel 33:31,32

So they come to you as people do, they sit before you as My people, and they ___ your words, but they do not do them; for with their mouth they show much ___, but their hearts pursue their own ___. (32) Indeed you are to them as a very lovely song of one who has a pleasant voice and can play well on an instrument; for they hear your words, but they do not ___ them.

Ezekiel 33:31,32

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Next verse: Luke 13:25-27

As the Spirit of God convicts sinners, true revival brings repentance and reform. Humble consecration to God is seen.

On the other hand, popular revivals driven by excitement and sensationalism often ignore the plain warnings of God relating to eternal life. Many are attracted, but their commitment doesn't last. Satan loves to deceive people into thinking that God is working marvelously for them, when another spirit is actually at work. To counterfeit true godliness, Satan mixes truth with error. He especially hates God's law and minimizes its importance.

Does God accept those who have nothing to back up their profession of godliness?

Luke 13:25-27

'When once the Master of the house has risen up and shut the door, and you begin to stand outside and knock at the door, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open for us,' and He will answer and say to you, 'I do not know you, where you are from,' (26) then you will begin to say, 'We ate and drank in Your presence, and You taught in our streets.' (27) But He will say, 'I tell you I do not ___ you, where you are from. Depart from Me, all you ___ of ___.'

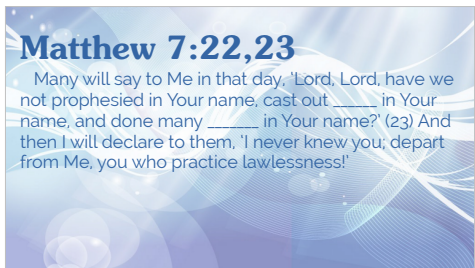
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Next verse: Matthew 7:22,23

Was it possible that some of the same people in the procession waving palm branches and shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David", would later be in the crowd that demanded, "Crucify Him"? **Are there people today who claim to be Christians, but do not really know Jesus?**



Matthew 7:22,23

Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out _____ in Your name, and done many _____ in Your name?' (23) And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!'

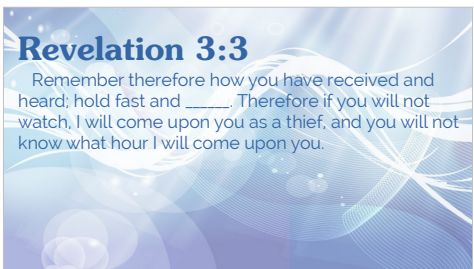
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Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out **demons** in Your name, and done many **wonders** in Your name?' (23) And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!'



Next verse: Revelation 3:3

To each of us, Jesus says, "*Behold, I stand at the door and knock...*" Every warning and appeal in the Word of God or from one of His messengers is a knock at our heart's door. The knocking gets fainter if unheeded. Impressions of the Holy Spirit rejected today, will not be as strong tomorrow. In the judgment, people will be condemned not so much because they were wrong, as because they refused opportunities to learn truth. **How does this pertain to us today?**

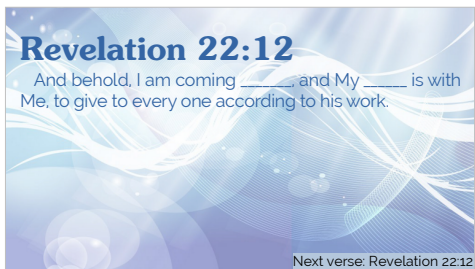


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Remember therefore how you have received and heard; hold fast and _____. Therefore if you will not watch, I will come upon you as a thief, and you will not know what hour I will come upon you.

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Remember therefore how you have received and heard; hold fast and **repent**. Therefore if you will not watch, I will come upon you as a thief, and you will not know what hour I will come upon you.



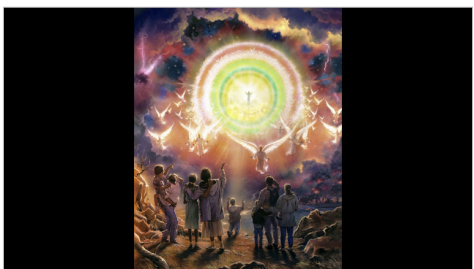
Revelation 22:12

And behold, I am coming _____, and My _____ is with Me, to give to every one according to his work.

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And behold, I am coming **quickly**, and My **reward** is with Me, to give to every one according to his work.



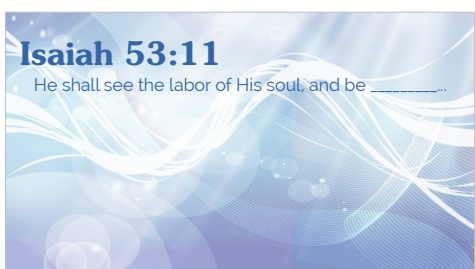
Soon, Jesus will come. The world, full of rioting, godless pleasure, and seeking prosperity, is asleep in carnal security. They say, "*Where is the promise of His coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation.*" * But Jesus says, "*Behold, I am coming as a thief.*" ** While people ridicule the idea of His return, the signs are quickly fulfilling. While they cry, "*peace and safety*", sudden destruction is coming.



Next verse: Isaiah 53:11

The crisis is just upon us. We are on the verge of eternity. Now is the time to say "Yes" to Jesus. He never, ever turns away anyone who comes for pardon and help. He is always there for us. We can trust the hand that was nailed to the cross for us. The greatest longing of His heart is for our salvation. He would have endured Calvary to save just one.

Will what He went through be worth it for Him?



Isaiah 53:11

He shall see the labor of His soul, and be _____.

Isaiah 53:11

He shall see the labor of His soul, and be **satisfied**...



It was "*for the joy that was set before Him*" that He "*endured the cross.*" * We were on His mind and in His heart. And when He sees that great multitude gathered on the sea of glass, all hearts full of praise to their King, all faces reflecting His own character, He will be satisfied. He suffered and died so we could dwell in His presence for eternity. And the song will rise, "*Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and riches and wisdom, and strength and honor and glory and blessing!*"** **Will you determine to be there?**

* Hebrews 12:2. ** Revelation 5:12