




What Will Happen When the Lord Returns?



In today's lesson, I want to address the second coming of Christ.

- This is a hotly debated topic among believers.

- My goal in this lesson is to simply outline some of the factors associated with His return.

This is a summary lesson of these things.

The Lord is Going to Return!

- A fact alluded to throughout scripture
- John 14:2-3
- 1 Thessalonians 2:19
- 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
- James 5:7-8



The Lord is Going to Return!

- It will be a literal return
- There are passages that speak of a representative return (**Matthew 24:30, 16:28, etc.**)
- His second coming is literal
1 Thessalonians 4:16, Acts 1:11



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- It will be a literal return
- Many have taught His second coming was figurative
 - realized eschatology
 - Jehovah's witnesses (1914)

This is debunked

Revelation 1:7 – every eye

1 Corinthians 15:52 – sound of a trumpet

2 Timothy 4:1, Hebrews 9:27-28 - appearing



The Lord is Going to Return!

- We are going to be raised
- All in the grave will arise
- **John 5:28-29**
Acts 24:15 – both just and unjust
1 Corinthians 15:50-53 – we will all be changed...



The Lord is Going to Return!

- A judgment of all mankind
- Not 2 or more – one judgment for all
- **John 5:28-29**
cf. **Matthew 25:31-46** – goats and sheep separated
Revelation 20:12-15 – all raised and judged



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- A judgment based on how we lived
- Revelation 20:12-13 – according to our works
- 2 Corinthians 5:10, Romans 14:10-12 – all appear, give account...



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- A judgment based on how we lived

- I will answer for myself on that day.

There will be grace for the obedient, but righteous indignation for the wicked and those who have not obeyed – **2 Thessalonians 1:6-10**



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- A judgment based on how we lived
- NONE will hide from Him!
1 Timothy 5:24-25
Hebrews 4:12-13
1 Corinthians 4:5 – He will bring to light the hidden things of darkness...



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- After judgment, your eternal destiny will begin!
- We all face one of two destinies
Matthew 25:46



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- After judgment, your eternal destiny will begin!
- Heaven for the righteous -
1 Thessalonians 4:17
2 Corinthians 5:1 – a house eternal in the heavens.
Hebrews 11:16, 40 – a better place...



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- After judgment, your eternal destiny will begin!
- Hell for the wicked and unsaved -
Hell is a real place – **Matthew 25:46, 10:28**
- Who will be there?
Revelation 21:8,
cf. Galatians 5:19-21
2 Thessalonians 1:8
Revelation 20:15



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- After judgment, your eternal destiny will begin!
- Hell for the wicked and unsaved -
A horrible place - **Matthew 25:46, 30** – weeping and gnashing of teeth.



Consider the following:

- We do NOT know when this will happen
- He will come as a thief in the night – Matthew 24:36
1 Thessalonians 5:2
2 Peter 3:10ff



Consider the following:

- **It can happen at any time!**
- Some contend we have plenty of time. We do NOT know that!

Matthew 24:37-39 – they were acting as usual

2 Peter 3:3-5 – scoffers, mocking His delay



Consider the following:

- When He returns, that will be it!
- There are NO second chances!
Hebrews 9:27
cf. **Luke 16:19-31** – “The rich man and Lazarus”
John 5:28-29 –
resurrection then reward



For most of us, this lesson serves as
review.

BUT it is a fundamental doctrine that
we need to be reminded of!



Concerning the Lord's
Return

Because we do not know when He
will return, we must ALWAYS be
ready!

Live today, as if it were your last!
(cf. 1 Peter 4:7ff – lesson tonight)



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Are you ready for His
return?



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Let us pray!



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