

COMING SOON... The Return of Christ (Week 3)

“You know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. While people are saying, ‘Peace and safety,’ destruction will come on them suddenly... But you brothers are not in darkness so that this day should surprise you like a thief. You are the sons of light and the sons of the day... Therefore, let us not be like others, who are asleep, but let us be alert and self-controlled.” – 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

“Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another – and all the more as you see the day approaching.” – Hebrews 10:25

Ten Developments –

1. _____.

“Then he said to me: ‘Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, “Our bones are dried up and our hope is gone; we are cut off.” Therefore prophesy and say to them: “This is what the Sovereign Lord says: My people, I am going to open your graves and bring you up from them; I will bring you back to the land of Israel. Then you, my people will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and bring you up from them. I will put my Spirit in you and you will live, and I will settle you in your own land. Then you will know that I the Lord have spoken, and I have done it, declares the Lord.”’” – Ezekiel 37:11-14

“The king’s heart is in the hand of the Lord, and He directs it like a watercourse wherever He will.” – Proverbs 21:1

“Who has ever heard of such a thing? Who has ever seen such things? Can a country be born in a day or a nation be brought forth in a moment? Yet no sooner is Zion in labor that she gives birth to her children.” – Isaiah 66:8

“Now learn this lesson from the fig tree: As its twigs get tender and the leaves come out, you know that the summer is near. Even so, when you see all these things, you know that it is near, right at the door. I tell you the truth, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened.” – Matthew 24:32-34

“The generation that witnesses the return of Israel, the dry bones living again – that generation is going to see the return of Jesus Christ.” – Matthew 24:34

2. _____.

“There will be great distress in the land and wrath against this people. They will fall by the sword and will be taken as prisoners to all the nations. Jerusalem will be trampled on by the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled. There will be signs in the heaven. Men will be filled with terror, apprehensive of what is coming on the world. The heavenly bodies will be shaken. At that time they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.” – Luke 21:20,24-28

3. _____.

“I am with you and will save you,’ declares the Lord. ‘Though I completely destroy all the nations among which I scatter you, I will not completely destroy you.’” – Jeremiah 30:11

“In that day the Lord will reach out his hand a second time to reclaim the surviving remnant of his people from Assyria, from Lower Egypt, from Upper Egypt, from Cush, from Elam, from Babylonia, from Hamath and from the islands of the sea. He will raise a banner for the nations and gather the exiles of Israel; he will assemble the scattered people of Judah from the four quarters of the earth.” – Isaiah 11:11-12

“As surely as I live, declares the Sovereign Lord, I will rule over you with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm and with outpoured wrath. I will bring you from the nations and gather you from the countries where you have been scattered – with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm and with outpoured wrath. I will bring you into the desert of the nations and there, face to face, I will execute judgment upon you.” – Ezekiel 20:33-35

4. _____.

“Now when they have finished their testimony, the beast that comes up from the Abyss will attack them, and overpower and kill them. Their bodies will lie in the public square of the great city – which is figuratively called Sodom and Egypt – where also their Lord was crucified. For three and a half days some from every people, tribe, language, and nation will gaze on their bodies and refuse them burial. The inhabitants of the earth will gloat over them and will celebrate by sending each other gifts, because these two prophets had tormented those who live on the earth.” – Revelation 11:7-10

“[He] forced everyone, great and small, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on their right hands or on their foreheads, so that they could not buy or sell unless they had the mark, which is the name of the beast or the number of its name. The number is 666.” – Rev. 13:16-18

5. _____.

“The first angel sounded his trumpet, and there came hail and fire mixed with blood, and it was hurled down on the earth. A third of the earth was burned up, a third of the trees were burned up.” – Revelation 8:7

6. _____.

“If they speak the same language and they stay together, there will be no limit to the sin that they will be able to invent.” – Genesis 11:6

“And it was given authority over every tribe, people, language and nation. All inhabitants of the earth will worship the beast – all whose names have not been written in the Lamb’s book of life.” – Revelation 13:7-8

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“Don’t let anyone deceive you in any way, for that day will not come until the rebellion occurs and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the man doomed to destruction. He will oppose and will exalt himself over everything that is called God or is worshipped, so that he sets himself up in God’s temple, proclaiming himself to be God. Don’t you remember that when I was with you I used to tell you these things? And now you know what is holding him back, so that he may be revealed at the proper time. For the secret power of lawlessness is already at work; but the one who now holds it back will continue to do so till he is taken out of the way.” – 2 Thessalonians 2:3-7

“And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will overthrow with the breath of his mouth and destroy by the splendor of his coming. The coming of the lawless one will be in accordance with the work of Satan,’ displayed in all kinds of counterfeit miracles, “signs and wonders” and in every sort of evil that “deceives those who are perishing.”” – Revelation 13:7-8

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7. _____.

“After the sixty-two ‘sevens,’ the Anointed One will be cut off and have nothing. The people of the ruler who will come will destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end will come like a flood.” – Daniel 9:26

8. _____.

“Just as it was in the days of Noah, so also will it be in the days of the coming of the Son of Man. People were eating, drinking, marrying and being given in marriage up to the day Noah entered the ark. Then the flood came and destroyed them all.” – Luke 17:26-29

“The imagination of man’s heart was wicked continually.” – Genesis 6:5

“As it was in the days of Lot. People were eating and drinking, buying and selling, planting and building. But the day Lot left Sodom, fire and sulfur rained down from heaven and destroyed them all. It will be just like this on the day the Son of Man is revealed.” – Luke 17:28-30

“Woe to those who call evil good and good evil, who put darkness for light and light for darkness.” – Isaiah 5:20

“In the last days, because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold.” – Matthew 24:12

9. _____.

“On that day, when all the nations of the earth are gathered against her, I will make Jerusalem an immovable rock for all the nations. All who try to move it will injure themselves.” – Zechariah 12:3

10. _____.

“I have fought the good fight, I have kept the faith, I have finished the course. Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me – but not to me only but unto all those who love his appearing.” – 2 Timothy 4:7-8

Reflect: How will you apply this teaching? What really stood out to you in this message?
