



Revelation 1:3 The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show His servants—things which must shortly take place. And He sent and signified it by His angel to His servant John, who bore witness to the word of God, and to the testimony of Jesus Christ, to all things that he saw. Blessed is he who reads and those who hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written in it; for the time is near. 1174

Revelation 22:20, 21 He who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming quickly." Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus! The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen. **1190**

✓ In a previous meeting we studied what _____ to watch for just before Christ's return. In this study we'll

examine the actually Second Coming itself to discover the ______ of Christ's return.

<u>CHRIST IN ALL HIS GLORY</u>

Isaiah 53:2 For He shall grow up before Him as a tender plant, and as a root out of dry ground. He has no form or comeliness; and when we see Him, there is no beauty that we should desire Him. **710**

John 1:10 He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. 1025

Matthew 25:31 When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. 962

Matthew 16:27 For the Son of Man will come in the glory of His Father with His angels, and then He will reward each according to his works. 952

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CHRIST'S RETURN WILL BE SEEN AND HEARD AROUND THE WORLD.

Revelation 1:7 Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him, even they who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him. Even so, Amen. 1174 (see Matthew 23:37-39 960)

Matthew 24:26, 27 "Therefore if they say to you, 'Look, He is in the desert!' do not go out; or 'Look, He is in the inner rooms!' do not believe it. For as the lightning comes from the east and flashes to the west, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. 961

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. And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as He went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel, 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 like manner as you saw Him go into heaven." 1051

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. 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. **1137**

NEW BODY, SAME CHARACTER

1 Corinthians 15:51, 52 Behold, I tell you a mystery: we shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed-- in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead in Christ shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. 1110

Romans 8:11, 23 But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you... Not only that, but we also who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body. 1090

Philippians 3:20, 21 For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body, accord to the working by which He is able even to subdue all things to Himself. 1131

1 John 3:2, 3 Beloved, now we are children of God and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. And everyone who has this hope in Him purifies Himself, just as He is pure. 1169 (compare Exodus 33:19, 20 85 with Revelation 22:4 1190)

Matthew 5:8 Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. 938

ONE EVENT, TWO REACTIONS

Matthew 13:30 Let both grow together until the harvest, and at the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, "First gather together the tares and bind them in bundles to burn them, but gather the wheat into my barn. 948

Matthew 25:31, 32 When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. All the nations will be gathered before Him and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats. 962

Revelation 6:14-17 Then the sky receded as a scroll when it is rolled up, and every mountain and island was moved out of its place. And the kings of the earth, the great men, the rich men, the commanders, the mighty men, every slave and every free man, hid themselves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains, and said to the mountains and rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of Him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb! For the great day of his wrath has come, and who is able to stand?" 1178

Isaiah 25:9 And it will be said in that day: "Behold, this is our God; We have waited for Him, and He will save us. This is the Lord; We have waited for Him; We will be glad and rejoice in His salvation." 677

O THE ONLY TRUE PREPARATION

When Christ returns we will each be given a glorious, heavenly body. However, the correspondingly glorious, heavenly *character* required of all God's loyal subjects must be ours first.

✓ The reason is simple: bodies can be ______, but character has to be _____.

✓ As Christians, our goal should be more than merely to someday

____ in to heaven; we should ask the Lord to _____

us into the society of heaven even now.

