

“The Kingdom of God!”

Part 24: “And He shall reign FOREVER!”

Matthew 24:29-31; Titus 2:11-14;
Revelation 11:15-19, 19:11-16



Introduction: What you believe about God, about Jesus Christ, determines how you live and even WHY you live your life the way you do!

Titus 2:11-14: “For the grace of God has appeared, ... training us ... to live self-controlled, upright and godly live in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope the appearing of ... Jesus Christ!”

Anticipating Jesus’ return motivates His disciples to godly living!!

Because of all the evil in the world many people choose to think about what is right in front of them or try to engage in activities that will distract them from the realities of living in this world and what’s next.

If Jesus isn’t coming back to reign ... to establish God’s eternal kingdom ... then THIS life and this world are all there is!

I. The certainty of Jesus’ return ...

God’s entire plan will be completed only when Jesus returns to gather His people and to reign on the earth.

Matthew 24:29-31: “Then will appear in heaven the sign of the Son of Man ...”

Matthew 25:31-34, 41: “The King will say to those on His right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you ...’ ... Then He will say to those on His left, ‘Depart from Me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels!’” (vss. 34,41).

Hebrews 9:27-28: “Christ ... will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for Him!” (vs. 28).

Psalms 42-43: “Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you in turmoil within me? Hope in God, for I shall again praise Him, my salvation and my God!!!” (42:5,11; 43:5).

II Corinthians 4:16-18: “So we do not lose heart ... For the things that are seen are transient (passing away), but the things that are unseen are eternal!”

The certainty of Jesus’ return and His reign and the inheritance our Father promises us gives us strength to overcome!!

Romans 8:31-39: “In all these things we are MORE than conquerors through Him who loved us!” (vs. 37).

God’s Word is true, His promises are sure, and you can find rest for your soul ONLY by placing your hope in Jesus Christ!

II. The timing of Jesus’ return ...

Matthew 24:29-31: “... all the tribes of the earth” will see the sign of His coming and His angels “will gather His elect from the four winds” (vss. 30-31).

“Immediately AFTER the tribulation of those days the sun will be darkened ... then will appear in heaven the sign of the Son of Man” (Matthew 24:29-30).

I Thessalonians 5:1-6: “But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief” (vs. 4).

Revelation 7:9: “... behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb!”

Revelation 11:15-19: “The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever!” (vs. 15).

Matthew 24:32-35: “... THIS generation will not pass away until all these things take place” (vs. 34).

The timing of Jesus’ return will not be a surprise to those who are walking in the light of His truth!!

III. The purpose of Jesus’ return ...

Revelation 19:11-16: “The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war” (vs. 11).

The purpose of Jesus’ return is to defeat His enemies and to establish His KINGDOM !!