

## **CHRIST'S SECOND COMING**

We have a lively hope in Jesus. Christ's second coming is the hope of the ages. Jesus told his apostles in **John 14:2-3**, "I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go to prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also." We believe in the word of God and in his promise. We must be prepared for his coming, by obeying him and keeping his commandments. When Christ comes again he is coming to judge the earth. Some people say that God loves everybody. That is not true! Christ plainly told us what the reward of iniquity was in his parables, and as he preached the gospel of the kingdom. If you obey God, you will receive the reward of the kingdom of heaven and everlasting life, if you don't you will be destroyed. Love God. Have faith in God. **I John 5:3**, "For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments, and his commandments are not grievous." The proof of your love and faith is your obedience.

When Christ begins to visit this earth he is going to do something wonderful for his children. He will remove the knowledge of evil that we have had from the garden, and he will wash away our sins. We must repent so that Christ will forgive our sins at the times of refreshing and restitutions of all things at the end of the world. He will pour out his Spirit upon all flesh, they will prophecy and dream dreams. The everlasting gospel will be preached, righteousness and peace shall rain on us from heaven. He will gather the children of Israel and heal the land. The Promised Land will be a place of holiness and the place of God's sanctuary. He will give us eternal

life. When Christ returns, he will change our vile bodies to be like his glorious body.

Brothers and sisters we are living in the last days. We are living in a time of violence, like the time of Noah. It is a time of filth, like Sodom and Gomorrah. It is a time when the truth has fallen. It is a perilous time. Look and see the condition that the world is in. Look at the economy, the violence, the evil, the disease, the extreme weather. People can no longer depend on the government to help them. They must cry out to God. We all know that these are the last days, even those who do not know the Lord. But what good is it in knowing a storm is coming, if you are not prepared? Prepare yourself to meet your God. When Christ comes there will be signs in the heavens and wonders on the earth and distress of nations. Men's hearts will fail them. Wickedness will run rampant and there will be a persecution of many people, including many of the children of God. But God will prepare the 144,000 and give them power to help protect his children, delivering them in those times.

The Man of Sin will rise to power and will deceive the nations with his lying wonders. The technology that he will use is already in existence. But Christ himself will destroy him at the brightness of his coming at the first resurrection.

Our hope is in the first resurrection. You do not go to heaven when you die. That is pagan doctrine. The bible never said that when you die you go to heaven. Christ is our example. He was resurrected, and everyone born on this earth will be resurrected because of his sacrifice at his first coming, either to the resurrection of life and everlasting joy or the second

resurrection of the damned, who will be thrown in the lake of fire. Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. Prepare yourself to meet your God.

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