

Reasons Why I Know Christ Is Coming

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CHRIST IS COMING! HOW? WHY?

Christ Promised

1. **“I will come again.”** And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there you may be also. John 14:3
2. **“Surely I come quickly.”** He which testifies these things said, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus. Revelation 22:20.

Confirmed by Angels

“This same Jesus shall so come.”

Which also said, You men of Galilee, why stand you gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as you have seen him go into heaven. Acts 1:11.

Testimony of Biblical Writers

1. **Enoch: “The Lord comes.”**

And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord comes with ten thousands of his saints. Jude 1:14.

2. **Job: “He stand latter day upon earth.”**

For I know that my redeemer lives, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: Job 19:25.

3. **David: “Our God shall come.”**

Then shall the trees of the wood sing out at the presence of the LORD, because he comes to judge the earth. 1 Chronicles 16:33.

4. **Isaiah: “The Lord God will come.”**

Behold, the Lord GOD will come with strong hand, and his arm shall rule for him: behold, his reward is with him, and his work before him. Isaiah 40:10.

5. **Daniel: “Son of man will come.”**

I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him. Daniel 7:13

6. **Hosea: “Seek the Lord till he come.”**

Sow to yourselves in righteousness, reap in mercy; break up your fallow ground: for it is time to seek the LORD, till he come and rain righteousness upon you. Hosea 10:12.

7. **Zechariah: “My God shall come.”**

And you shall flee to the valley of the mountains; for the valley of the mountains shall reach unto Azal: yes, you shall flee, like as you fled from before the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah: and the LORD my God shall come, and all the saints with you. Zechariah 14:5.

8. **Malachi: “He shall come.”**

Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord, whom you seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom you delight in: behold, he shall come, said the LORD of hosts. Malachi 3:1.

9. Matthew: “Son of Man shall come.”

For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works. Matthew 16:27.

10. Mark: “Son of Man coming.”

And then shall they see the Son of man coming in the clouds with great power and glory. Mark 13:26.

11. Luke: “He shall come.”

For whosoever shall be ashamed of me and of my words, of him shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he shall come in his own glory, and in his Father's, and of the holy angels. Luke 9:26.

12. John: “Behold he comes.”

Behold, he comes with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kingdoms of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen. Revelation 1:7.

13. Paul: “He will come.”

For yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry. Hebrews 10:37

14. Peter: “The Lord will come.”

But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. 2 Peter 3:10.

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Personal Coming

1. “This same Jesus will come in like manner.” Which also said, You men of Galilee, why stand you gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as you have seen him go into heaven. Acts 1:11

2. “The Lord himself shall descend.” **15** For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. **16** For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: **17** Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. 1 Thessalonians 4:15-17

Powerful and Glorious!

1. “Coming with power and great glory.” And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. Luke 21:27.

2. “Power and coming of our Lord.” For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of his majesty. 2 Peter 1:16

3. “Coming with power and great glory.” And then shall they see the Son of man coming in the clouds with great power and glory. Mark 13:26.

4. “Right hand of power coming.” And Jesus said, I am: and you shall see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven. Mark 14:62.

5. “He shall come in the glory of his father.” For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works. Matthew 16:27.

6. “He shall come in his own glory.” For whosoever shall be ashamed of me and of my words, of him shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he shall come in his own glory, and in his Father's, and of the holy angels. Mark 9:26.

7. “Comes in the glory of his father.” Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels. Mark 8:38.

He Comes Visibly

1. “Coming in the clouds.” And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. Matthew 24:30.

Jesus said unto him, Thou has said: nevertheless I say unto you, Hereafter shall you see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven. Matthew 26:64.

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And Jesus said, I am: and you shall see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven. Mark 14:62.

3. Coming in a cloud.” And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. Luke 21:27.

4. “A cloud received him.” And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight. Acts 1:9.

“Caught up in the clouds” For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: **17** Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. 1 Thessalonians 4:16, 17.

5. “He comes with clouds.” Behold, he comes with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kingdoms of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen. Revelation 1:7.

And I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud one sat like unto the Son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle. Revelation 14:14.

6. “See the Son of Man coming.” Jesus said unto him, Thou has said: nevertheless I say unto you, Hereafter shall you see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven. Matthew 26:64. And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. Matthew 24:30.

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8. “See the Son of Man.” And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. Luke 21:27.

9. “He shall appear and we shall see Him.” Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it does not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is. 1 John 3:2, 3.

10. “Come as you have seen him go.” Which also said, You men of Galilee, why stand you gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as you have seen him go into heaven. Acts 1:11.

11. “Looking for the glorious appearing.” Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ; Titus 2:13.

12. “We look for the Savior.” For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ: Philippians 3:20.

13. “Every eye shall see Him.” Behold, he comes with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kingdoms of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen. Revelation 1:7.

14. “Whom I shall see for myself.” **25** For I know that my redeemer lives, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: **26** And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God: **27** Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; though my reins be consumed within me. Job 19:25, 27.

16. “All flesh shall see together.” And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together: for the mouth of the LORD has spoken it. Isaiah 40:5.

17. “God shall come with a fire.” Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence: a fire shall devour before him, and it shall be very tempestuous round about him. Psalm 50:3.

18. “The Lord will come with fire.” For, behold, the LORD will come with fire, and with his chariots like a whirlwind, to render his anger with fury, and his rebuke with flames of fire. Isaiah 66:15.

19. “Earth is burned at his presence.” The mountains quake at him, and the hills melt, and the earth is burned at his presence, yes, the world, and all that dwell therein. Nahum 1:5.

20. “Day of his coming as a refiner’s fire.” But who may abide the day of his coming? And who shall stand when he appeared? For he is like a refiner’s fire, and like fullers’ soap: Malachi 3:2.

21. “I am come to send fire on the earth.” I am come to send fire on the earth; and what will I, if it be already kindled? Luke 12:49.

22. “Lord will come and the elements will melt.” But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. 2 Peter 3:10.

23. “As the lightning comes.” For as the lightning comes out of the east, and shines even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. Matthew 24:27.

His Coming is Audible

1. “Come and not keep silence.” Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence: a fire shall devour before him, and it shall be very tempestuous round about him. Psalm 50:3.

2. “The trumpet shall sound.” In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. 1 Corinthians 15:52.

3. “Shout, voice, trumpet of God.” **16** For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: **17** Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. **18** Wherefore comfort one another with these words. 1 Thessalonians 4:16-18.

4. “Lord will come with a great noise.” But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. 2 Peter 3:10.

“Trumpet shall be blown.” And it shall come to pass in that day, that the great trumpet shall be blown, and they shall come which were ready to perish in the land of Assyria, and the outcasts in the land of Egypt, and shall worship the LORD in the holy mount at Jerusalem. Isaiah 27:13.

6. “A day of the trumpet.” 14 The great day of the LORD is near, it is near, and hastens greatly, even the voice of the day of the LORD: the mighty man shall cry there bitterly. 15 That day is a day of wrath, a day of trouble and distress, a day of wasting and desolation, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness, 16 A day of the trumpet and alarm against the fenced cities, and against the high towers. Zephaniah 1:14, 16.

Angels come with Christ.

1. “God shall come and all saints.” And you shall flee to the valley of the mountains; for the valley of the mountains shall reach unto Azal: yes, you shall flee, like as you fled from before the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah: and the LORD my God shall come, and all the saints with you. Zechariah 14:5.

2. “Come with his angels.” For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works. Matthew 16:27.

3. “Come and holy angels with him.” When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: Matthew 25:31.

4. “Angels will gather his elect.” And then shall he send his angels, and shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from the uttermost part of the earth to the uttermost part of heaven. Mark 13:27.

5. “Comes with the holy angels.” For whosoever shall be ashamed of me and of my words, of him shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he shall come in his own glory, and in his Father's, and of the holy angels. Luke 9:26.

6. “Come in glory of the angels.” For whosoever shall be ashamed of me and of my words, of him shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he shall come in his own glory, and in his Father's, and of the holy angels. Luke 9:26.

7. “Coming with all his saints.” To the end he may establish your hearts without blame in holiness before God, even our Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all his saints. 1 Thessalonians 3:13.

8. “Lord is revealed with his angels.” And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels. 2 Thessalonians 1:7.

9. “Comes with ten thousand of saints.”

And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord comes with ten thousands of his saints. Jude 1:14.

Reward The Righteous

1. “A reward for the righteous.” So that a man shall say, Verily there is a reward for the righteous: verily he is a God that judges in the earth. Psalm 58:11.

2. “Come reward is with him.” Behold, the Lord GOD will come with strong hand, and his arm shall rule for him: behold, his reward is with him, and his work before him. Isaiah 40:10.

Behold, the LORD has proclaimed unto the end of the world, Say you to the daughter of Zion, Behold, your salvation comes; behold, his reward is with him, and his work before him. Isaiah 62:11.

3. “His reward is with Him.” Behold, the Lord GOD will come with strong hand, and his arm shall rule for him: behold, his reward is with him, and his work before him. Isaiah 40:10.

“And then shall He reward.” For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works. Matthew 16:27.

4. “Each shall receive his own reward.” Now he that plants and he that waters are one: and every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labor. 1 Corinthians 3:8.

5. “My reward is with me.” And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be. Revelation 22:12.

6. “Reward every man according.” And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be. Revelation 22:12.

Gather saints.

1. “God shall come and gather my saints.” Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence: a fire shall devour before him, and it shall be very tempestuous round about him. **4** He shall call to the heavens from above, and to the earth, that he may judge his people. **5** Gather my saints together unto me; those that have made a covenant with me by sacrifice. Psalm 50:3, 5.

2. “Coming to gather together his elect.” And then shall he send his angels, and shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from the uttermost part of the earth to the uttermost part of heaven. Mark 13:27.

3. “Follow me afterwards.” Simon Peter said unto him, Lord, whither goes you? Jesus answered him, Whither I go, you canst not follow me now; but you shall follow me afterwards. John 13:36.

4. “Come and receive you unto myself.” **1** Let not your heart be troubled: you believe in God, believe also in me. **2** In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. **3** And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there you may be also. John 14:1-3.

5. “Where I am there you may be also.” **3** And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there you may be also. **28** You have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come again unto you. If you loved me, you would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I. John 14:3, 28.

Punish Wicked.

“Only behold reward of the wicked.” Only with your eyes shall you behold and see the reward of the wicked. Psalm 91:8.

2. “Transgressors are destroyed together.” But the transgressors shall be destroyed together: the end of the wicked shall be cut off. Psalm 37:38.

3. “Wicked perish at presence of God.” As smoke is driven away, so drive them away: as wax melts before the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God. Psalm 68:2.

4. “Day comes to punish the wicked.” **9** Behold, the day of the LORD comes, cruel both with wrath and fierce anger, to lay the land desolate: and he shall destroy the sinners thereof out of it. **11** And I will punish the world for their evil, and the wicked for their iniquity; and I will cause the arrogance of the proud to cease, and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible. Isaiah 13:9, 11.

5. “Lord comes to punish.” For, behold, the LORD comes out of his place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity: the earth also shall disclose her blood, and shall no more cover her slain. Isaiah 26:21.

6. “Wrath to come.” But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees come to his baptism, he said unto them, O generation of vipers, who has warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Matthew 3:7.

Then said he to the multitude that came forth to be baptized of him, O generation of vipers, who has warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Luke 3:7.

7. “Come to destroy.” He shall come and destroy these husbandmen, and shall give the vineyard to others. And when they heard it, they said, God forbid. Luke 20:16.

8. “Avenge them speedily.” I tell you that he will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless when the Son of man comes, shall he find faith on the earth? Luke 18:8.

9. “Sudden destruction comes.” For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction comes upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape. 1 Thessalonians 5:3.

10. “Destroy with brightness of His coming.” And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming: 2 Thessalonians 2:8.

Resurrection of Righteous

1. “Coming and all in their graves will hear.” **28** Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, **29** And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation. John 5:28-29.

2. “Dead shall be raised incorruptible.” **51** Behold, I show you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, **52** In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. **53** For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. 1 Corinthians 15:51-53.

3. “Dead in Christ shall rise first.” **16** For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: **17** Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. **18** Wherefore comfort one another with these words. 1 Thessalonians 4:16-18.

Righteous Living Translated

1. “Alive and remain shall be caught up.” **16** For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: **17** Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. **18** Wherefore comfort one another with these words. 1 Thessalonians 4:16-18.

2. “Changed and put on immortality.” **51** Behold, I show you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, **52** In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. **53** For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. **54** So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. 1 Corinthians 15:51-54.

Coming is near

1. “Lord comes and is nigh at hand.” Blow you the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in my holy mountain: let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for the day of the LORD comes, for it is nigh at hand. Joel 2:1.

2. “It is near and hastens greatly.” The great day of the LORD is near, it is near, and hastens greatly, even the voice of the day of the LORD: the mighty man shall cry there bitterly. Zephaniah 1:14

3. “Gospel to all world then end come.” And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come. Matthew 24:14.

4. “Cut it short in righteousness.” For he will finish the work, and cut it short in righteousness: because a short work will the Lord make upon the earth. Romans 9:28.

5. “Nearer than when we believed.” And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. Romans 13:11.

6. **“The time is short.”** But this I say, brethren, the time is short: it remains, that both they that have wives be as though they had none. 1 Corinthians 7:29.

7. **“Come, and will not tarry.”** For yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry. Hebrews 10:37.

8. **“Coming draws nigh.”** Be you also patient; establish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draws nigh. James 5:8.

Coming is Sudden.

“Knew not until the flood come.” And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. Matthew 24:39.

“I come quickly.” Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which you has, that no man take thy crown. Revelation 3:11.

“I come quickly.” 7 Behold, I come quickly: blessed is he that keeps the sayings of the prophecy of this book. 12 And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be. Revelation 22:7, 12.

“I come quickly.” He which testifies these things said, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus. Revelation 22:20.

Coming at an Unexpected Hour

1. **“Hour knows no man.”** But of that day and hour knows no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only. Matthew 24:36.

2. **“Comes in an hour you are not aware of.”** 43 But know this, that if the good man of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up. 50 The lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looks not for him, and in an hour that he is not aware of. Matthew 24:43, 50.

3. **“Comes at an hour when you think not.”** Be you therefore ready also: for the Son of man comes at an hour when you think not. Luke 12:40.

4. **“Come upon you unawares.”** And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares. Luke 21:34.

5. **“Comes in an hour you think not.”** Be you therefore ready also: for the Son of man comes at an hour when you think not. Luke 12:40.

Coming as a Thief

1. **“What hour the thief would come.”** And this know, that if the good man of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched, and not have suffered his house to be broken through. Luke 12:39.

2. **“Comes as a thief.”** For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night. 1 Thessalonians 5:2.

3. **“Day overtake you as a thief.”** But you, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. 1 Thessalonians 5:4.

4. **“Come on thee as a thief.”** Remember therefore how you has received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore you shall not watch, I will come on you as a thief, and you shall not know what hour I will come upon you. Revelation 3:3.

5. **“Come as a thief.”** Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watches, and keeps his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame. Revelation 16:15.

Watch For His Coming

1. **“Watch. When your Lord does come.”** Watch therefore: for you know not what hour your Lord does come. Matthew 24:42.
2. **“Watch for your master comes.”** Watch you therefore: for you know not when the master of the house comes, at even, or at midnight, or at the cockcrowing, or in the morning: Mark 13:35.
3. **“Comes shall find watching.”** 37 Blessed are those servants, whom the lord when he comes shall find watching: verily I say unto you, that he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them. 43 Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he comes shall find so doing. 46 The lord of that servant will come in a day when he looks not for him, and at an hour when he is not aware, and will cut him in sunder, and will appoint him his portion with the unbelievers. Luke 12:37, 43, 46.
4. **“Hold fast till I come.”** But that which you have already hold fast till I come. Revelation 2:25. Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which you has, that no man take thy crown. Revelation 3:11.
5. **“High time to wake out of sleep.”** And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. Romans 13:11.
6. **“Prepare to meet thy God.”** Therefore thus will I do unto you, O Israel: and because I will do this unto you, prepare to meet your God, O Israel. Amos 4:12.

Attitude of Righteous to His Coming

1. **“Occupy till I come.”** And he called his ten servants, and delivered them ten pounds, and said unto them, Occupy till I come. Luke 19:13.
2. **“Waiting for the coming.”** So that you come behind in no gift; waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ: 1 Corinthians 1:7.
3. **“Patient unto the coming.”** 7 Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waits for the precious fruit of the earth, and has long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain. 8 Be you also patient; establish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draws nigh. James 5:7-8.
4. **“Lo, this is our God.”** And it shall be said in that day, Lo, 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. Isaiah 25:9.

Attitude of Wicked to His Coming

1. **“Lord delays His coming.”** But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, My lord delays his coming. Matthew 24:48. Thou ought therefore to have put my money to the exchangers, and then at my coming I should have received mine own with usury. Matthew 25:27.
2. **“Lord delays His coming.”** Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he comes shall find so doing. Luke 12:43. Then said Jesus unto his disciples, Verily I say unto you, That a rich man shall hardly enter into the kingdom of heaven. Matthew 19:23.
3. **“Go into the holes of the rocks.”** And they shall go into the holes of the rocks, and into the caves of the earth, for fear of the LORD, and for the glory of his majesty, when he arises to shake terribly the earth. Isaiah 2:19.

Annihilation By Fire

Mode of final punishment

Thou shall make them as a fiery oven in the time of your anger: the LORD shall swallow them up in his wrath, and the fire shall devour them. Psalm 21:9.

1 For, behold, the day comes, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yes, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that comes shall burn them up, said the LORD of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch. **3** And you shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do this, said the LORD of hosts. Malachi 4:1, 3.

14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. **15** And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire. Revelation 20:14, 15.

40 As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world. **42** And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. Matthew 13:40, 42.

41 Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, you cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels: Matthew 25:41.

2. Perishing as the result of the final punishment

But the transgressors shall be destroyed together: the end of the wicked shall be cut off. Psalm 37:28.

But these, as natural brute beasts, made to be taken and destroyed, speak evil of the things that they understand not; and shall utterly perish in their own corruption; 2 Peter 2:12.

14 And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: **15** That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life. John 3:14, 15.

3. Death as the end of such punishment

4 Behold, all souls are mine; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine: the soul that sins, it shall die. **20** The soul that sins, it shall die. The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father, neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son: the righteousness of the righteous shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him. Ezekiel 18:4, 20.

For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Romans 6:23.

But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone: which is the second death. Revelation 21:8.

4. Annihilation is the permanent effect

But you, O God, shall bring them down into the pit of destruction: bloody and deceitful men shall not live out half their days; but I will trust in you. Psalm 55:23.

When the wicked spring as the grass, and when all the workers of iniquity do flourish; it is that they shall be destroyed for ever: Psalm 92:7.

The LORD preserves all them that love him: but all the wicked will he destroy. Psalm 145:20.

Enter you in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leads to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Matthew 7:13.

And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell. Matthew 10:28.

5. Annihilation By Fire

24 Then the LORD rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and **fire** from the LORD out of heaven; **25** And he overthrew those cities, and all the plain, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which grew upon the ground. Genesis 19:24, 25.

Now therefore let me alone, that my wrath may wax hot against them, and that I may consume them: and I will make of you a great nation. Exodus 32:10.

And there went out **fire** from the LORD, and devoured them, and they died before the LORD. Leviticus 10:2.

And when the people complained, it displeased the LORD: and the LORD heard it; and his anger was kindled; and the **fire** of the LORD burnt among them, and consumed them that were in the uttermost parts of the camp. Numbers 11:1.

And there came out a **fire** from the LORD, and consumed the two hundred and fifty men that offered incense. Numbers 16:35.

22 For a **fire** is kindled in mine anger, and shall burn unto the lowest hell, and shall consume the earth with her increase, and set on **fire** the foundations of the mountains. **32:23** I will heap mischief upon them; I will spend mine arrows upon them. **24** They shall be burnt with hunger, and devoured with burning heat, and with bitter destruction: I will also send the teeth of beasts upon them, with the poison of serpents of the dust. Deuteronomy 32:22-24.

And Elijah answered and said to the captain of fifty, If I be a man of God, then let **fire** come down from heaven, and consume you and your fifty. And there came down **fire** from heaven, and consumed him and his fifty. 2 Kings 1:10

Thou shall make them as a fiery oven in the time of your anger: the LORD shall swallow them up in his wrath, and the **fire** shall devour them. Psalm 21:9.

A **fire** goes before him, and burns up his enemies round about. Psalm 97:3.

28 And the destruction of the transgressors and of the sinners shall be together, and they that forsake the LORD shall be consumed. **31** And the strong shall be as tow, and the maker of it as a spark, and they shall both burn together, and none shall quench them. Isaiah 1:28, 31.

18 For wickedness burns as the **fire**: it shall devour the briars and thorns, and shall kindle in the thickets of the forest, and they shall mount up like the lifting up of smoke. **19** Through the wrath of the LORD of hosts is the land darkened, and the people shall be as the fuel of the **fire**: no man shall spare his brother. Isaiah 9:18, 19.

16 Therefore shall the Lord, the Lord of hosts, send among his fat ones leanness; and under his glory he shall kindle a burning like the burning of a **fire**. **17** And the light of Israel shall be for a **fire**, and his Holy One for a flame: and it shall burn and devour his thorns and his briars in one day; **18** And shall consume the glory of his forest, and of his fruitful field, both soul and body: and they shall be as when a standard bearer faints. Isaiah 10:16-18.

For Tophet is ordained of old; yes, for the king it is prepared; he has made it deep and large: the pile thereof is **fire** and much wood; the breath of the LORD, like a stream of brimstone, does kindle it. Isaiah 30:33.

You shall conceive chaff, you shall bring forth stubble: your breath, as **fire**, shall devour you. Isaiah 33:11, 12.

Behold, they shall be as stubble; the **fire** shall burn them; they shall not deliver themselves from the power of the flame: there shall not be a coal to warm at, nor **fire** to sit before it. Isaiah 47:14.

15 For, behold, the LORD will come with fire, and with his chariots like a whirlwind, to render his anger with fury, and his rebuke with flames of **fire**. **16** For by **fire** and by his sword will the LORD plead with all flesh: and the slain of the LORD shall be many. **24** And they shall go forth, and look upon the carcasses of the men that have transgressed against me: for their worm shall not die, neither shall their **fire** be quenched; and they shall be an abhorring unto all flesh. Isaiah 66:15, 16, 24.

Circumcise yourselves to the LORD, and take away the foreskins of your heart, you men of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem: lest my fury come forth like **fire**, and burn that none can quench it, because of the evil of your doings. Jeremiah 4:4.

O house of David, thus said the LORD; Execute judgment in the morning, and deliver him that is spoiled out of the hand of the oppressor, lest my fury go out like **fire**, and burn that none can quench it, because of the evil of your doings. Jeremiah 21:12.

3 He has cut off in his fierce anger all the horn of Israel: he has drawn back his right hand from before the enemy, and he burned against Jacob like a flaming **fire**, which devours round about. **4** He has bent his bow like an enemy: he stood with his right hand as an adversary, and slew all that were pleasant to the eye in the tabernacle of the daughter of Zion: he poured out his fury like **fire**. Lamentations 2:3, 4.

6 Therefore thus said the Lord GOD; As the vine tree among the trees of the forest, which I have given to the **fire** for fuel, so will I give the inhabitants of Jerusalem. **7** And I will set my face against them; they shall go out from one **fire**, and another **fire** shall devour them; and you shall know that I am the LORD, when I set my face against them. Ezekiel 15:6, 7.

21 Yea, I will gather you, and blow upon you in the **fire** of my wrath, and you shall be melted in the midst thereof.

22 As silver is melted in the midst of the furnace, so shall you be melted in the midst thereof; and you shall know that I the LORD have poured out my fury upon you. **31** Therefore have I poured out mine indignation upon them; I have consumed them with the **fire** of my wrath: their own way have I recompensed upon their heads, said the Lord GOD. Ezekiel 22:21, 22, 31.

Thou has defiled your sanctuaries by the multitude of your iniquities, by the iniquity of your traffic; therefore will I bring forth a **fire** from the midst of you, it shall devour you, and I will bring you to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all them that behold you. Ezekiel 28:18.

Seek the LORD, and you shall live; lest he break out like **fire** in the house of Joseph, and devour it, and there be none to quench it in Bethel. Amos 5:6.

5 The mountains quake at him, and the hills melt, and the earth is burned at his presence, yes, the world, and all that dwell therein. **6** Who can stand before his indignation? and who can abide in the fierceness of his anger? his fury is poured out like **fire**, and the rocks are thrown down by him. Nahum 1:5, 6.

For, behold, the day comes, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yes, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that comes shall burn them up, said the LORD of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch. Malachi 4:1.

10 And now also the ax is laid unto the root of the trees: therefore every tree which brings not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the **fire**. **12** Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable **fire**. Matthew 3:10, 12.

49 So shall it be at the end of the world: the angels shall come forth, and sever the wicked from among the just, **50** And shall cast them into the furnace of **fire**: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. Matthew 13:49, 50.

Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, you cursed, into everlasting **fire**, prepared for the devil and his angels: Matthew 25:41.

But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained **fire** and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all. Luke 17:29, 30.

But that which bears thorns and briers is rejected, and is nigh unto cursing; whose end is to be burned. Hebrews 6:48.

But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto **fire** against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men. 2 Peter 3:7.

Even as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal **fire**. Jude 1:7.

9 And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and **fire** came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them. **10** And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of **fire** and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever. **14** And death and hell were cast into the lake of **fire**. This is the second death. **15** And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of **fire**. Revelation 20:9, 10, 15.

Promises and Guarantees Of His Coming

63 But Jesus held his peace. And the high priest answered and said unto him, I adjure you by the living God, that you tell us whether you be the Christ, the Son of God. **64** Jesus said unto him, Thou has said: nevertheless I say unto you, Hereafter shall you see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven. Matthew 26:63, 64

26 And then shall they see the Son of man coming in the clouds with great power and glory. **27** And then shall he send his angels, and shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from the uttermost part of the earth to the uttermost part of heaven. **28** Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When her branch is yet tender, and puts forth leaves, you know that summer is near: **29** So you in like manner, when you shall see these things come to pass, know that it is nigh, even at the doors. **30** Verily I say unto you, that this generation shall not pass, till all these things be done. Mark 13:26-30

27 And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. **28** And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draws nigh. Luke 21:27-28

1 Let not your heart be troubled: you believe in God, believe also in me. **2** In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. **3** And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there you may be also. John 14:1-3

Jesus said unto him, If I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to you? Follow you me. John 21:22

9 And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight. **10** And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel; **11** Which also said, You men of Galilee, why stand you gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as you have seen him go into heaven. Acts 1:9, 11

Who shall also confirm you unto the end, that you may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Corinthians 1:8

For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ: Philippians 3:20. Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. Philippians 4:5.

That you keep this commandment without spot, without rebuke, until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ: 1 Timothy 6:14

Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing. 2 Timothy 4:8

Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ; Titus 2:13

So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation. Hebrews 9:28

Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waits for the precious fruit of the earth, and has long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain. James 5:7.

That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perishes, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honor and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ: 1 Peter 1:7

But the end of all things is at hand: be you therefore sober, and watch unto prayer. 1 Peter 4:7

Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat? 2 Peter 3:12

Behold, he comes with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kingdoms of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen. Revelation 1:7

Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which you has, that no man take thy crown. Revelation 3:11

And I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud one sat like unto the Son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle. Revelation 14:14.

12 And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be. **20** He which testifies these things said, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus. Revelation 22:12, 20

Motivational Aspect

Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, you blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: Matthew 25:34

32 But of that day and that hour knows no man, no, not the angels which are in heaven, neither the Son, but the Father. **33** Take you heed, watch and pray: for you know not when the time is. **34** For the Son of man is as a man taking a far journey, who left his house, and gave authority to his servants, and to every man his work, and commanded the porter to watch. **35** Watch you therefore: for you know not when the master of the house comes, at even, or at midnight, or at the cockcrowing, or in the morning: **36** Lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping. **37** And what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch. Mark 13:32-37

36 And you yourselves like unto men that wait for their lord, when he will return from the wedding; that when he comes and knocks, they may open unto him immediately. **37** Blessed are those servants, whom the lord when he comes shall find watching: verily I say unto you, that he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them. **38** And if he shall come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find them so, blessed are those servants. Luke 12:36-38

25 For he must reign, till he has put all enemies under his feet. **26** The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death. 1 Corinthians 15:25, 26

And to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, even Jesus, which delivered us from the wrath to come. 1 Thessalonians 1:10

When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day. 2 Thessalonians 1: 10

6 For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. **7** I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: **8** Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing. 2 Timothy 4:6-8

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10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. **11** Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought you to be in all holy conversation and godliness, **12** Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat? **13** Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwells righteousness. 2 Peter 3:10-13

7 Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waits for the precious fruit of the earth, and has long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain. **8** Be you also patient; establish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draws nigh. James 5:7, 8

And now, little children, abide in him; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming. 1 John 2:28

Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it does not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is. **3** And every man that has this hope in him purifies himself, even as he is pure. 1 John 3:2, 3

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14 And I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud one sat like unto the Son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle. **15** And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to him that sat on the cloud, Thrust in thy sickle, and reap: for the time is come for you to reap; for the harvest of the earth is ripe. **16** And he that sat on the cloud thrust in his sickle on the earth; and the earth was reaped. **17** And another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle. **18** And another angel came out from the altar, which had power over fire; and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, Thrust in thy sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth; for her grapes are fully ripe. **19** And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and cast it into the great winepress of the wrath of God. **20** And the winepress was trodden without the city, and blood came out of the winepress, even unto the horse bridles, by the space of a thousand and six hundred furlongs. Revelation 14:14-20

11 And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he does judge and make war. **12** His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. **13** And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God. **14** And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. **15** And out of his mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. **16** And he has on his vesture and on his thigh a name written,

KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS. **17** And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God; **18** That you may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all men, both free and bond, both small and great. **19** And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army. **20** And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone. **21** And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which sword proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh. Revelation 19:11-21

Visible, Literal Aspect

27 For as the lightning comes out of the east, and shines even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. **28** For where so ever the carcass is, there will the eagles be gathered together. **29** Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: **30** And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. Matthew 24:27-30

When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: Matthew 25:31.

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16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: **17** Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. **18** Wherefore comfort one another with these words. 1 Thessalonians 4:16-18. 1 Thessalonians 4:16-18.

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For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of his majesty. 2 Peter 1:16

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Descends from Heaven

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11 And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he does judge and make war. **12** His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. **13** And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God. **14** And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. **15** And out of his mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. **16** And he has on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS. **17** And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God; **18** That you may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all men, both free and bond, both small and great. **19** And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army. **20** And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone. **21** And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which sword proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh. Revelation 19:11-21

Power, Glory, Angels, Trumpets, and Clouds

40 As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world. **41** The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; **42** And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. Matthew 13:40-42.

For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works. Matthew 16:27.

And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. **31** And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other. Matthew 24:30, 31

When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: Matthew 25:31.

Jesus said unto him, Thou has said: nevertheless I say unto you, Hereafter shall you see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven. Matthew 26:64

Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels. Mark 8:38

26 And then shall they see the Son of man coming in the clouds with great power and glory. **27** And then shall he send his angels, and shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from the uttermost part of the earth to the uttermost part of heaven. Mark 13:26, 27

And then shall they see the Son of man coming in the clouds with great power and glory. Mark 13:26 And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. Luke 21:27

9 And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight. **10** And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel; **11** Which also said, You men of Galilee, why stand you gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as you have seen him go into heaven. Acts 1:9-11

51 Behold, I show you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, **52** In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. **53** For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. **54** So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory. 1 Corinthians 15:51-53

For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: **17** Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. 1 Thessalonians 4:16, 17

And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels. 2 Thessalonians 1:7

Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ; Titus 2:13

For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of his majesty. 2 Peter 1:16

Behold, he comes with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kingdoms of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen. Revelation 1:7

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Element of Surprise

36 But of that day and hour knows no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only. **37** But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. **38** For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and

giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, **39** And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. **40** Then shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left. **41** Two women shall be grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken, and the other left. **42** Watch therefore: for you know not what hour your Lord does come. **43** But know this, that if the good man of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up. **44** Therefore be you also ready: for in such an hour as you think not the Son of man comes. Matthew 24:36-44

48 But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, My lord delays his coming; **49** And shall begin to smite his fellow servants, and to eat and drink with the drunken; **50** The lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looks not for him, and in an hour that he is not aware of, **51** And shall cut him asunder, and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Matthew 24:48

Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man comes. Matthew 25:13

32 But of that day and that hour knows no man, no, not the angels which are in heaven, neither the Son, but the Father. **33** Take you heed, watch and pray: for you know not when the time is. **34** For the Son of man is as a man taking a far journey, who left his house, and gave authority to his servants, and to every man his work, and commanded the porter to watch. **35** Watch you therefore: for you know not when the master of the house comes, at even, or at midnight, or at the cockcrowing, or in the morning: **36** Lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping. **37** And what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch. Mark 13:32-37

39 And this know, that if the good man of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched, and not have suffered his house to be broken through. **40** Be you therefore ready also: for the Son of man comes at an hour when you think not. Luke 12:39-40

26 And as it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man. **27** They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all. **28** Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they built; **29** But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all. **30** Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed. **31** In that day, he which shall be upon the housetop, and his stuff in the Luke 17:26-30

34 And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares. **35** For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth. **36** Watch you therefore, and pray always, that you may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man. Luke 21:34-36

But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. 2 Peter 3:10

Remember therefore how you has received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore you shall not watch, I will come on you as a thief, and you shall not know what hour I will come upon you. Revelation 3:3

Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watches, and keeps his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame. Revelation 16:15

Rewards of Righteous and Wicked

For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works. Matthew 16:27.

And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. Matthew 24:30

31 When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: **32** And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divided his sheep from the goats: **33** And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left. **34** Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, you blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: **35** For I was an hungered, and you gave me meat: I was thirsty, and you gave me drink: I was a stranger, and you took me in: **36** Naked, and you

clothed me: I was sick, and you visited me: I was in prison, and you came unto me. **37** Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we you an hungered, and fed you? Or thirsty, and gave you drink? **38** When saw we you a stranger, and took you in? or naked, and clothed you? **39** Or when saw we you sick, or in prison, and came unto you? **40** And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as you have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, you have done it unto me. **41** Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, you cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels: **42** For I was an hungered, and you gave me no meat: I was thirsty, and you gave me no drink: **43** I was a stranger, and you took me not in: naked, and you clothed me not: sick, and in prison, and you visited me not. **44** Then shall they also answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we you an hungered, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto you? **45** Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as you did it not to one of the least of these, you did it not to me. **46** And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal. Matthew 25:31-46

Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels. Mark 8:38

35 Let your loins be girded about, and your lights burning; **36** And you yourselves like unto men that wait for their lord, when he will return from the wedding; that when he comes and knocks, they may open unto him immediately. **37** Blessed are those servants, whom the lord when he comes shall find watching: verily I say unto you, that he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them. Luke 12:35-37

And you shall be blessed; for they cannot recompense you: for you shall be recompensed at the resurrection of the just. Luke 14:14

1 Let not your heart be troubled: you believe in God, believe also in me. **2** In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. **3** And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there you may be also. John 14:1-3.

When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall you also appear with him in glory. Colossians 3:4

For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: **17** Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. 1 Thessalonians 4:16, 17

8 In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ: **9** Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power. 2 Thessalonians 1: 8, 9

6 For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. **7** I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: **8** Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing. 2 Timothy 4:6-8

Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ; Titus 2:13 So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation. Hebrews 9:28

That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perishes, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honor and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ: 1 Peter 1:7

But rejoice, inasmuch as you are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, you may be glad also with exceeding joy. 1 Peter 4:13

10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. **11** Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought you to be in all holy conversation and godliness, **12** Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat? **13** Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwells righteousness. 2 Peter 3:10-13

2 Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it does not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is. **3** And every man that has this hope in him purifies himself, even as he is pure. 1 John 3:2, 3

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15 And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains; **16** And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sits on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb: **17** For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand? Revelation 6:15-17

14 And I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud one sat like unto the Son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle. **15** And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to him that sat on the cloud, Thrust in thy sickle, and reap: for the time is come for you to reap; for the harvest of the earth is ripe. **16** And he that sat on the cloud thrust in his sickle on the earth; and the earth was reaped. **17** And another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle. **18** And another angel came out from the altar, which had power over fire; and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, Thrust in thy sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth; for her grapes are fully ripe. **19** And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and cast it into the great winepress of the wrath of God. **20** And the winepress was trodden without the city, and blood came out of the winepress, even unto the horse bridles, by the space of a thousand and six hundred furlongs. Revelation 14:14-20

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And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be. Revelation 22:12

Simultaneous Gathering of Righteous Living and Dead

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39 And these all, having obtained a good report through faith, received not the promise: **40** God having provided some better thing for us, that they without us should not be made perfect. Hebrews 11:39, 40

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