

3. H _____, verse 13

(Isaiah 11:6) *""The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, The leopard shall lie down with the young goat, ..."*

(Isaiah 11:9) *"They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain, For the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD As the waters cover the sea."*

(Revelation 20:7-10) *"Now when the thousand years have expired, Satan will be released from his prison {8} and will go out to deceive the nations ... {9} They went up on the breadth of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints ... {10} The devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet are. And they will be tormented day and night forever and ever."*

(Revelation 21:1-7) *"Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. ... {2} Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. {3} And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God. {4} "And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away." {5} Then He who sat on the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new." And He said to me, "Write, for these words are true and faithful." {6} And He said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. I will give of the fountain of the water of life freely to him who thirsts. {7} "He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son."*

(1 Thessalonians 4:16-18) *"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. {17} 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. {18} Therefore comfort one another with these words."*



(Colossians 3:2-4)
"Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. {3} For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. {4} When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory."

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False Predictions

Tell us, when will these things be? And what will be the sign of Your coming, and of the end of the age? —Matthew 24:3

News that a solar eclipse would take place on July 22, 2009, brought an alarming prediction. It was predicted that the eclipse would sufficiently affect gravitational pull, causing tectonic plates to "pop a seam," resulting in a sizeable earthquake and a subsequent devastating tsunami in Japan. The US Geological Survey responded that no scientists "have ever predicted a major earthquake. They do not know how, and they do not expect to know how, anytime in the foreseeable future."

There have also been many false predictions about the date of Christ's second coming—despite our Lord's emphatic words: "But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only" (Matt. 24:36). Christ told His followers that instead of trying! to predict the date of His return, they should "watch" (v.42) and "be ready" (v.44).

Peter warned, "The day of the Lord will come like a thief." Then he added: "What kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives" (2 Peter 3:10-11 NIV).

Striving to live for God—that's what Jesus wants us to focus our energy on while we wait for that "blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Saviour Jesus Christ" (Titus 2:13). —C. P. Hia



When someone says, "I can discern
Exactly when Christ will return,"
Don't be deceived or led astray—
The Lord said we can't know the day. —Sper

Look for Christ's return, and you'll live for Christ's glory.



2 Peter: Overcoming Error Prepare for the Day I



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(Matthew 24:36) ""But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only."

(Matthew 24:42) ""Watch therefore, for you do not know what hour your Lord is coming."

(Matthew 24:44) ""Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect."

What must our lives be like, since 'the day' is imminent? Our responses should be, according to 2 Peter 3:

1. G _____, verses 7-11

Why are we waiting so long?

#1. God's perspective on _____, verses 8, 10

#2. God's perspective on _____, verse 9

(Romans 2:4) "Or do you despise the riches of His goodness, forbearance, and longsuffering, not knowing that the goodness of God leads you to repentance?"

(1 Timothy 2:4) "who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth."

(Ezekiel 18:23) ""Do I have any pleasure at all that the wicked should die?" says the Lord GOD, "and not that he should turn from his ways and live?"

The day of the Lord includes:

#1. The _____,

(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. {17} Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up ..."

#2. The _____,

(Matthew 24:7-8) ""For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various places. {8} "All these are the beginning of sorrows."

(Matthew 24:15-16) ""..when you see the 'abomination of desolation,' spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place" ..., {16} "then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains."

(Matthew 24:21) ""For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be."

#3. The _____ of Jesus Christ,
(Matthew 24:30) ""Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory."
(Revelation 19:15) "Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God."

#4. The _____,
(Revelation 20:4) "And I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was committed to them. Then I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for their witness to Jesus and for the word of God, who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received his mark on their foreheads or on their hands. And they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years."

#5. The Destruction of the first _____ and first _____,
verse 10,12

#6. The new _____ and the new _____,
(Revelation 21:1) "Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. ..."



(Matthew 6:33) ""But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you."

2. W _____, verse 12, 1 Peter 1:8



(1 Corinthians 1:7) ".. eagerly waiting for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ,"

(Titus 2:13) "looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,"

(Jude 1:21) ".. looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life."