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## **Truths That Make A Difference: The Second Coming Of Christ**

**James 5:8** - *You, too, must be patient. Take courage, for the coming of the Lord is near.*

**Luke 21:28** - *So when all these things begin to happen, stand and look up, for your salvation is near!*

- 1) **Live With The Urgency And Expectation Of Christ's Return.**
- 2) **Share This Truth With Others Until He Comes.**

**Revelation 19:11-16** - *Then I saw heaven opened, and a white horse was standing there. Its rider was named Faithful and True, for he judges fairly and wages a righteous war. <sup>12</sup> His eyes were like flames of fire, and on his head were many crowns. A name was written on him that no one understood except himself. <sup>13</sup> He wore a robe dipped in blood, and his title was the Word of God. <sup>14</sup> The armies of heaven, dressed in the finest of pure white linen, followed him on white horses. <sup>15</sup> From his mouth came a sharp sword to strike down the nations. He will rule them with an iron rod. He will release the fierce wrath of God, the Almighty, like juice flowing from a winepress. <sup>16</sup> On his robe at his thigh was written this title: King of all kings and Lord of all lords.*

- 1) **God's Anger And Judgment Against Sin.**
- 2) **Those Who Have Rejected Jesus As Lord And Savior.**

**1 Thessalonians 1:10** - *they speak of how you are looking forward to the coming of God's Son from heaven— Jesus, whom God raised from the dead. He is the one who has rescued us from the terrors of the coming judgment.*

**Romans 8:1** - *So now there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus.*

**We Know Which Side Of The Battle We're On**

**Jesus Is The Conquering King Coming With The Armies Of Heaven At His Side**

**Acts 1:11** - *"Men of Galilee," they said, "why are you standing here staring into heaven? Jesus has been taken from you into heaven, but someday he will return from heaven in the same way you saw him go!"*

**Zechariah 14:4** - *On that day his feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, east of Jerusalem. And the Mount of Olives will split apart, making a wide valley running from east to west. Half the mountain will move toward the north and half toward the south.*

**Exodus 15:3** - *The Lord is a warrior; Yahweh is his name!*

### **A Savior Who Will One Day Meet The Nations Of The World In Battle**

**Psalms 24:8** - *Who is the King of glory? The Lord, strong and mighty; the Lord, invincible in battle.*

**Isaiah 42:13** - *The Lord will march forth like a mighty hero; he will come out like a warrior, full of fury. He will shout his battle cry and crush all his enemies.*

**James 5:9** - *Don't grumble about each other, brothers and sisters, or you will be judged. For look—the Judge is standing at the door!*

**Matthew 24:36-37, 40-42** - *“However, no one knows the day or hour when these things will happen, not even the angels in heaven or the Son himself. Only the Father knows.”<sup>37</sup> “When the Son of Man returns, it will be like it was in Noah's day...<sup>40</sup> “Two men will be working together in the field; one will be taken, the other left.<sup>41</sup> Two women will be grinding flour at the mill; one will be taken, the other left.<sup>42</sup> “So you, too, must keep watch! For you don't know what day your Lord is coming.*

**Luke 21:34-36** - *“Watch out! Don't let your hearts be dulled by carousing and drunkenness, and by the worries of this life. Don't let that day catch you unaware,<sup>35</sup> like a trap. For that day will come upon everyone living on the earth.<sup>36</sup> Keep alert at all times. And pray that you might be strong enough to escape these coming horrors and stand before the Son of Man.”*

**2 Peter 3:10-13** - *But the day of the Lord will come as unexpectedly as a thief. Then the heavens will pass away with a terrible noise, and the very elements themselves will disappear in fire, and the earth and everything on it will be found to deserve judgment.<sup>11</sup> Since everything around us is going to be destroyed like this, what holy and godly lives you should live,<sup>12</sup> looking forward to the day of God and hurrying it along. On that day, he will set the heavens on fire, and the elements will melt away in the flames.<sup>13</sup> But we are looking forward to the new heavens and new earth he has promised, a world filled with God's righteousness.*

- 1. To Be A Witness For The Lord That Emphasizes His Return Is Near.**
- 2. To Be Ready And Prepared.**
- 3. To Be Holy In Conduct And Thought, Displaying Good Deeds.**
- 4. To Sincerely And Expectantly Desire His Appearing.**

**John 14:3** - *When everything is ready, I will come and get you, so that you will always be with me where I am.*