

WHAT WILL JESUS DO UPON HIS RETURN?

Jesus Will Return in Glory

- Acts 1:8-11 - "...you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Jesus Will Punish Non-Christians in Hell According to Their Sin

- Matthew 25:41 - ...the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels.
- Romans 2:5-6 - ...because of your stubbornness and your unrepentant heart, you are storing up wrath against yourself for the day of God's wrath, when his righteous judgment will be revealed. God will give to each person according to what he has done.
- Revelation 14:10-11 - ...he also will drink the wine of God's wrath, poured full strength into the cup of his anger, and he will be tormented with fire and sulfur in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb. And the smoke of their torment goes up forever and ever, and they have no rest, day or night...
 - #1 person in Scripture to teach on judgment and hell is Jesus
 - Passive (Rom. 1:18,24,26) vs. active (Rom. 2:5) wrath

Jesus Will Reward Christians According to Their Righteousness

- 2 Corinthians 5:9-10 - So we make it our goal to please him, whether we are at home in the body or away from it. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive what is due him for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.
 - "Throne" is used 196x in the Bible
 - Throne for Jesus: Warrior, Priest, King

Jesus and Christians Will Judge and Rule

- 1 Corinthians 6:2-3 - Do you not know that the saints will judge the world? And if you are to judge the world, are you not competent to judge trivial cases? Do you not know that we will judge angels? How much more the things of this life!
- Revelation 5:10 - ...you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth.

Jesus Will Be With Us in a New Perfect Creation

- Revelation 21:1-5 - Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall

there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away." And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new."

- Heaven is a family reunion, kingdom, city, home, garden, and worship party

Jesus Will Give Christians Perfected, Glorified, Resurrected Bodies

- *1 Thessalonians 4:16 | For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first.*
 - Perfect relationship with God and other Divine Beings including angels
 - Perfect access to Heaven and earth
 - Perfect relationship between your body and soul
 - Perfect job under perfect work conditions learning, growing, exploring
 - Perfect mental/emotional health without sin or shame
 - Perfect relationship with others, starting with spouse
 - Perfectly blessed by God in every way
 - Perfect dominion over creation with all of creation to explore and create in
 - Perfect health leading to perfectly healthy families
 - Perfect rest for your body and soul

Jesus Will Rule Forever as Lion and Lamb

- *Revelation 5:5-6 - "Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals." And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth.*
- Lion: Tough
 - "King of the Jungle"
 - Eat whatever they want
 - Live in "prides" or packs
 - Jesus was a Lion with haughty religious hypocrites
- Lamb: Tender
 - Run from danger and stick together as a large flock
 - Very social animals
 - Eat grass - vegetarians
 - Jesus was a Lamb with hurting and humble people
- Tough lion, tender lamb: Jesus is a Lion for His family, and a Lamb with His family