

FUTURE THINGS AND OUR PRESENT LIVES

1. The study of “last things,” (eschatology) is to affect present living.

- Rapture; Resurrection; Judgments; 2nd Coming & The Kingdom; Eternity

2. The Bible singles out 2 significant generations in the End Times

a. A generation of the Church who will be alive when He comes for us in the Rapture 1 Thess. 4:15, 17; Heb. 9:27

b. A generation that would be alive to see all the physical signs that point to His physical return (2nd Coming) who will know it is near Matt. 24:34.

3. How should End Time truths shape our lifestyle?

a. In prayer Lk. 21:36 - Watchful

b. In Church Heb. 10:25 – Assembling together

c. In the harvest James 5:7, 8 – Patient, established, reaping the harvest

d. In holiness 2 Peter 3:1-3, 11, 14 – Living clean & pure

e. In the Word 2 Peter 3:17, 18 – Growing & maturing

f. In the work of the Lord 1 Cor. 15:58; Lk. 19:13 – Busy/involved/concerned about

SIGNS OF JESUS'S RETURN

1. Israel's return to its land and blossom as a nation
2. City of Jerusalem being reclaimed (in part)
3. A Great Northern power capable of attacking Israel
4. A massive army from the East able to march on Israel
5. An economic/political system rising out of the region of the former Roman Empire
6. An accelerated time of troubling world events
7. Conditions like the days of Noah and Lot
8. Unawareness and disbelief about His Return
9. Travel and knowledge increased in the earth
10. The rise of a political, economic, and religious system seeking to rule the earth that believes in a messianic figure similar to the antichrist
11. Perilous times of people in culture in the Last Days