The End, Jesus Wins

Imminency verses, notice too the practical responses His coming should inspire!

- Joe 2:1 NASB20 Blow a trumpet in Zion, And sound an alarm on My holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble, For <u>the day of the LORD</u> is coming; Indeed, it is near,
- Oba 1:15 "For <u>the day of the LORD is near for all the nations</u>. Just as you have done, it will be done to you. Your dealings will return on your own head.
- Zep 1:14 The great day of the LORD is near, Near and coming very quickly; Listen, the day of the LORD! In it the warrior cries out bitterly.
- Mat 16:27-28 "For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of His Father with His angels, and WILL THEN REPAY EVERY PERSON ACCORDING TO HIS DEEDS. 28 "Truly I say to you, there are some of those who are standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in His kingdom."
- Mat 24:13-14 "But the **one who endures to the end is the one who will be saved**. 14 "This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all the nations, and **then the end will come**. 24:42-44, 50
- Mat 25:13 "Be on the alert then, because you do not know the day nor the hour.
- Mar 13:30 "Truly I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place.
- Luk 12:40 "You too, be ready; because the Son of Man is coming at an hour that you do not think [He will.]" 12:35-40
- Luk 21:28 "But when these things begin to take place, straighten up and lift up your heads, because **your redemption is drawing near**."
- Jhn 11:27 She said to Him, "Yes, Lord; I have come to believe that You are the Christ, the Son of God, [and] He who comes into the world."
- Rom 13:11-12 [Do] this, <u>knowing the time, that it is already the hour</u> for you to awaken from sleep; for <u>now salvation is nearer to us than when we [first]</u> <u>believed</u>. 12 The night is almost gone, and <u>the day is near</u>. Therefore let's rid ourselves of the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light.

- 1Co 1:7 so that you are not lacking in any gift, <u>as you eagerly await the</u> <u>revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ</u>,
- 1Co 15:23-24 But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, after that those who are Christ's at <u>His coming</u>, 24 then [comes] the end, when He hands over the kingdom to [our] God and Father, when He has abolished all rule and all authority and power.
- 1Co 16:22 If anyone does not love the Lord, he is to be accursed. Maranatha! (Maranatha = [Our] Lord, come!)
- Phl 3:20 For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ;
- Phl 4:5 Let your gentle [spirit] be known to all people. The Lord is near.
- 1Th 1:10 and to wait for His Son from heaven, whom He raised from the dead, [that is,] Jesus who rescues us from <u>the wrath to come</u>.
- 1Th 4:15-18 For we say this to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until <u>the coming of the Lord</u> will not precede those who have fallen asleep. 16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of [the] archangel and with the trumpet of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 Then we who are alive, who remain, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. 18 Therefore, comfort one another with these words.
- 1Th 5:2 For you yourselves know full well that <u>the day of the Lord is coming</u> just like a thief in the night.
- 1Th 5:3 While they are saying, "Peace and safety!" then sudden destruction will come upon them like **labor pains upon a pregnant woman**, and they will not escape.
- 2Th 2:1-2 Now we ask you, brothers [and sisters,] regarding the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our gathering together to Him, 2 that you not be quickly shaken from your composure or be disturbed either by a spirit, or a message, or a letter as if from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come.
- Tit 2:12-13 instructing us to deny ungodliness and worldly desires and to live sensibly, righteously, and in a godly manner in the present age, 13 **looking for**

the blessed hope and the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Christ Jesus,

- Heb 9:28 so Christ also, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time for salvation without [reference to] sin, to those who eagerly await Him.
- Heb 10:25 not abandoning our own meeting together, as is the habit of some people, <u>but encouraging [one another;] and all the more as you see the day</u> <u>drawing near</u>.
- Jas 5:8-9 You too be patient; strengthen your hearts, for <u>the coming of the</u> <u>Lord is near</u>. 9 Do not complain, brothers [and sisters,] against one another, so that you may not be judged; behold, <u>the Judge is standing right at the</u> <u>door</u>.
- 1Pe 4:7 <u>The end of all things is near</u>; therefore, be of sound judgment and sober [spirit] for the purpose of prayer. 1:13
- 2Pe 3:8-11 But do not let this one [fact] escape your notice, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years like one day. 9
 The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not willing for any to perish, but for all to come to repentance. 10 But <u>the day of the Lord will come</u> like a thief, in which the heavens will pass away with a roar and the elements will be destroyed with intense heat, and the earth and its works will be discovered. 11 Since all these things are to be destroyed in this way, what sort of people ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness,
- 1Jo 2:18 Children, <u>it is the last hour</u>; and just as you heard that antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have appeared; from this <u>we know that it</u> <u>is the last hour</u>.
- Rev 1:1 The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show to His bond-servants, <u>the things which must soon take place</u>; and He sent and communicated [it] by His angel to His bond-servant John,
- Rev 1:3 Blessed is the one who reads, and those who hear the words of the prophecy and keep the things which are written in it; **for the time is near**.
- Rev 3:11 <u>'I am coming quickly</u>; hold firmly to what you have, so that no one will take your crown.

- Rev 10:6 and swore by Him who lives forever and ever, who created heaven and the things in it, and the earth and the things in it, and the sea and the things in it, that **there will no longer be a delay**,
- Rev 16:15 ("<u>Behold, I am coming like a thief</u>. Blessed is the one who stays awake and keeps his clothes, so that he will not walk about naked and [people] will not see his shame.")
- Rev 22:7 "And **behold, I am coming quickly**. Blessed is the one who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book."
- Rev 22:10-12 And he said to me, "Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book, <u>for the time is near</u>. 11 "Let the one who does wrong still do wrong, and the one who is filthy still be filthy; and let the one who is righteous still practice righteousness, and the one who is holy still keep himself holy." 12 "Behold, <u>I am coming quickly</u>, and My reward [is] with Me, to reward each one as his work deserves.
- Rev 22:7 "20 He who testifies to these things says, "<u>Yes, I am coming quickly</u>." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- Some believers struggle with the concept of Christs soon/imminent return since it has been 2000 years now. Is God's word compromised, or has He come already or is there another explanation? Is
- John Calvin, the reformer at Geneva during the 1500s and founder of the Presbyterian Church, made the following statements in some of his commentaries on books of the Bible: "Be prepared to expect Him every day, or rather every moment." "As He has promised that He will return to us, we ought to hold ourselves prepared, at every moment to receive Him." "Today we must be alert to grasp the imminent return of Christ." Commenting on 1 Thessalonians 4, the Rapture passage, Calvin said that Paul "means by this to arouse the Thessalonians to wait for it, nay more, to hold all believers in suspense, that they may not promise themselves some particular time... that believers might be prepared at all times."

- *The Westminster Confession*, xxxiii, 3 (written by the Puritans of England during the 1600s), declared that men should "shake off all carnal security and be always watchful, because they know not at what hour the Lord will come."*
- https://israelmyglory.org/article/the-imminency-of-christs-return/
- Source: <u>https://bible.knowing-jesus.com/topics/Imminence</u>

God has shared His mysteries with us, why wouldn't we want to know?:

- Gen 18:17 The LORD said, "Shall I hide from Abraham what I am about to do,"
- Job 12:22 "He reveals mysteries from the darkness, And brings the deep darkness into light."
- Psa 25:14 The secret of the LORD is for those who fear Him, And He will make them know His covenant.
- Dan 2:28-29 "However, there is a God in heaven who reveals secrets, and He has made known to King Nebuchadnezzar what will take place in the latter days. This was your dream and the visions in your mind [while] on your bed. 29 "As for you, O king, [while] on your bed your thoughts turned to what would take place in the future; and He who reveals secrets has made known to you what will take place.
- Amo 3:7 Certainly the Lord GOD does nothing Unless He reveals His secret plan To His servants the prophets.
- Mat 13:11 And Jesus answered them, "To you it has been granted to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been granted.
- Jhn 15:15 "No longer do I call you slaves, for the slave does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, because all things that I have heard from My Father I have made known to you."
- Rom 11:25 For I do not want you, brothers [and sisters,] to be uninformed of this mystery--so that you will not be wise in your own estimation--that a partial hardening has happened to Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in;
- Rom 16:25 Now to Him who is able to establish you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery which has been kept secret for long ages past,

- 1Co 2:7 but we speak God's wisdom in a mystery, the hidden [wisdom] which God predestined before the ages to our glory;
- 1Co 15:51 Behold, I am telling you a mystery; we will not all sleep, but we will all be changed,
- Eph 1:9 He made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure which He set forth in Him,
- Eph 3:3-4, 9 that by revelation there was made known to me the mystery, as I wrote before briefly. 4 By referring to this, when you read you can understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, ... 9 and to enlighten all people as to what the plan of the mystery is which for ages has been hidden in God, who created all things;
- Eph 5:32 This mystery is great; but I am speaking with reference to Christ and the church.
- 2Th 2:7 For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only He who now restrains [will do so] until He is removed.
- Rev 1:1 The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show to His bond-servants, the things which must soon take place; and He sent and communicated [it] by His angel to His bond-servant John,
- Rev 4:1 After these things I looked, and behold, a door [standing] open in heaven, and the first voice which I had heard, like [the sound] of a trumpet speaking with me, said, "Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after these things."
- Rev 22:6 And he said to me, "These words are faithful and true"; and the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, **sent His angel to show His bond-servants the things which must soon take place**.
- Rev 22:10 And he said to me, "Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is near."
- Isa 14:27 NIV For the LORD Almighty has purposed, and who can thwart him? His hand is stretched out, and who can turn it back?