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Worship	6:00 PM

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Goals For 2020

<u>Theme</u>
<u>A Church With 2020 Vision</u>
Attendance: Sunday Bible Study: 40;

Sunday AM: 50
Sunday PM: 40; Wednesday Bible Study: 30

Giving: Meet Our Yearly Budget

Invitations: 130

Every Member Committed To Daily Bible Reading

Every Member Committed To Daily Prayer

Every Member Committed To Be At Every Service

> Hold a "Bible Basics" Class Hold A Men's Training Class

Hold One Gospel Meeting

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We are now in the 50th week of our Bible Reading.

Praver List

Les & Novema Dunn Debby Spears (Roseann's sis) Sharon Thompson

The Wards & Beth McFarland

Dale Kahl Brooke Thomas Pam Caudill

Sharon Nale

Judgment: Eccl. 12:14, Matt. 25:31-46, Romans 14:12, 2 Cor. 5:10, Rev. 20:12-15

Who Have You Invited To Services This week?

Lord's Supper Reading Romans 5:6-10

Scripture Reading

AM: I Cor. 15:21-24 PM: I Peter 4:7-11

Encouragement Tally

Invites this month: 2 Invites last month: 110 Visitors last year: 48 Visitors YTD: 8

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The Cometh The End

Welcome!

If you're visiting with us today, we want you to feel welcome and we want you to feel like our honored guest! We also want you to know that all we're interested in here at the Clarksville Church of Christ is the Truth. Jesus said. "You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." John 8:32. The truth He's talking about is God's word. Jesus said, "Sanctify them by thy truth, Thy word is truth." John 17:17. Therefore we hope you'll appreciate that we'll give you book, chapter and verse from the Bible, the word of God, for everything that we say or do here today, so that everything that we do may bring glory unto God, I Pet. 4:11.

Read I Corinthians 15:24. One day all of this will end. Ever wonder what will happen? Let's take a look at what the Bible reveals.

I. Christ Will Return

Jn 14:1-3, Heb. 9:28, Rev. 22:20, 2 Pet. 3:10, I Thes. 4:16-17

II. The Dead Will Be Raised

Eccl. 12:7, Jn 5:28-29; 11:24, Acts 24:15, I Cor. 15:35-38

III. The Living Will Be Changed

I Cor. 15:50-51, Phil. 3:20-21, I Jn 3:2

IV. The Present World Will End

2 Pet. 3:10-11, I Jn 2:17, 2 Pet. 3:13 Heb. 11:10, 15, I Pet. 1:4

V. All Will Be Judged

Eccl. 12:13-14, 2 Cor. 5:10, Rom. 14:12, Rev. 20:12, Jn 5:22 Acts 17:30-31, 2 Tim. 4:8, Jn 5:30, Jn 12:48, Rom. 2:16

VI. The Kingdom Will Be Delivered Up

I Cor. 15:24, Matt. 16:18-19, Jn 18:36, Col. 1:13, Acts 2:47

VII. The Reign Of Christ Will End

I Cor. 15:24-28, Dan. 7:13-14, Eph. 1:19-23

The End Of All Things Are At Hand

Read I Pet. 4:7-11. Peter tells us that the end of all things are at hand. That means that it is near. 2 Peter 2:9-11 is a vivid accounting of how it will all take place. Peter tells us some things we need to be concerned about, because the end is near. Let's take a look this evening.

I. Be
Titus 2:12, 1 Peter 5:8, Titus 2:2,4,6, 1 Thes 5:2-8
II and
Matt 26:41, 1 Thes. 5:17, Lk. 18:1, Eph. 6:18, Phil. 4:6, 1 Pet 5:7, Ps 55:17
III. Show
1 Cor. 13:13, James 2:18, Jn 13:34-35, 1 Jn. 4:7-8,11-12,19-21
IV. Be
Rom. 12:13, 1 Tim. 3:2, Titus 1:8, Heb. 13:2
V. Use
Matt 25:14-30, 1 Cor. 4:2, Matt 5:13-16, Mk 14:8, Rom. 12:4-8
VI. Speak as speaks
Heb. 1:1-2, 1 Jn 4:1, Jn 12:48, 1 Cor. 2:5, 1 Cor. 4:6, 2 Jn 9, Deut 4:2, Prov. 30:6, Gal. 1:6-9, Rev. 22:18ff, Matt 15:9
VII. Give the glory
Acts 12:21-23, Ps 96:7; 105:3,1 Cor. 10:31, Eph. 3:21, 1 Tim 1:17,
Rom. 15:6, Matt 5:16

Longing For Heaven-What It Takes

The fifth chapter of Second Corinthians begins with a wonderful depiction of immortality and the confident assurance that faithful Christians have of eternal salvation. The early verses focus on the longing (described as even a "groan") that our spirits have for the "house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens" (5:1-4). While we cannot see it now, that does not matter. The last verse of chapter four speaks of what our faith can see—"...while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal" (4:18). Thus, while we live on this earth, we "prefer rather to be absent from the body and to be at home with the Lord" (5:8).

Because of this longing to be in heaven with our Savior and because of the confidence that He gives us, there are three things on which we must focus as we look toward that eternal home. First, we must "make it our aim to be well pleasing to Him" (5:9). We must remember where we are now (i.e., living on this earth) and that our purpose while "present" here is to serve the Lord and please the Lord. Like Jesus, we must make it our aim to "always do those things that please Him" (John 8:29). Our groaning for heaven will only be realized if we spend our life now pleasing Him.

Second, we must focus on the judgment (5:10). Verse 10 explains why we must seek to be "well pleasing to Him." "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad." Judgment is a "must." Judgment is for "all." Judgment will be personal for "each one." Judgment will require giving an account for "the things done in the body." Our groaning for heaven will only be realized if we are prepared for judgment.

Third, we must focus on preparing others for heaven (5:11). Our longing for heaven should not be purely selfish, seeking only to secure ourselves a home there. Paul draws a conclusion in verse 11, "Knowing, therefore, the terror of the Lord" (i.e., since we possess a reverential fear for the justice of God that will be manifest when all men stand before Him on that final day), "we persuade men." Because we know about heaven and about judgment, we must persuade men to know and be ready themselves! Because we long to be in heaven and to please the Lord, we must persuade men to long to go there and to please Him, as well! Our groaning for heaven will only be realized if we prepare others for that day.

Our God is the one "who has prepared us for this very thing" (5:5). Are you ready for heaven? Are you ready for judgment? Are you persuading others to be ready with you?