WHEN THE GLORY OF THE LORD FILLS THE EARTH

Song of songs 3:1-11 (February 9, 2025)

1. PHYSICAL ABSENCE OF JESUS IN THE WORLD CAUSES <u>DESPERATE</u> <u>SEEKING HIM IN OUR HEART</u>. (VV1-2)

Philippians 3:10-12

10 I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death,

11 and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.

12 Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me.

2. OUR CRY FOR THE RETURN OF JESUS WILL NOT REST <u>UNTIL WE</u> <u>SEE HIM WITH OUR EYES</u>. (V3)

1 Peter 1:13

13 Therefore, with minds that are alert and fully sober, set your hope on the grace to be brought to you when Jesus Christ is revealed at his coming.

Revelation 22:20

20 He who testifies to these things says, "Yes, I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

3. OUR DEEPEST HUNGER AND THIRST WILL ONLY BE SATISFIED <u>BY</u> <u>THE PRESENCE OF JESUS</u>. (VV4-5)

1 Peter 1:8-9

8 Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy.

9 for you are receiving the end result of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

1 John 3:2

2 Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

1 Thessalonians 5:23

23 May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

4. JESUS WILL RETURN IN GLORY. (VV6-10)

Revelation 1:7

7 "Look, He is coming with the clouds, and "every eye will see him, even those who pierced him"; and all peoples on earth will mourn because of him." So shall it be! Amen.

Jude 1:14-15

14 Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied about them: "See, the Lord is coming with thousands upon thousands of his holy ones."

15 to judge everyone, and to convict all of them of all the ungodly acts they have committed in their ungodliness, and of all the defiant words ungodly sinners have spoken against him."

Revelation 19:11-16

11 I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and wages war.

12 His eyes are like blazing fire, and on his head are many crowns. He has a name written on him that no one knows but he himself.

13 He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God.

14 The armies of heaven were following him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean.

15 Coming out of his mouth is a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. "He will rule them with an iron scepter." He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty.

16 On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written: king of kings and lord of lords.

5. THE WORLD WILL KNOW THE TRUE MEANING OF JOY AND PROSPERITY WHEN JESUS REIGNS OVER THE EARTH. (V11) See Isaiah 35:1-10 and Isaiah 11:1-10.

Revelation 20:4-6

4 I saw thrones on which were seated those who had been given authority to judge. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony about Jesus and because of the word of God. They had not worshiped the beast or its image and had not received its mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

5 (The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended.) This is the first resurrection.

6 Blessed and holy are those who share in the first resurrection. The second death has no power over them, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with him for a thousand years.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

- 1. What does it mean when Paul said, "I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me"?
- 2. Why is Jesus' physical return so important to us in terms of what it means for us to be human beings?
- 3. What does it mean that we are saved, being saved, and will be saved? How would you explain the differences?
- 4. In your own words, describe our spirit, soul, and body.
- 5. What was the evidence that Jesus was THE Messiah in His first coming, and how His Second coming will be different from the first one?

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