

Second Coming of Jesus - Scriptures

- **The end will come.**
 - Terms used to describe the end: “last days,” “end of the age,” “the regeneration,” “the end,” “the kingdom of God,” “the day of Christ,” “day of the Lord,” “age to come,” “restoration of all things,” “salvation,” “revelation of Jesus,” “end of all things.” Is. 2:2; Matt. 13:39-40; 19:28; 24:3, 14; Mark 9:1; Luke 13:25-30; 19:11; 21:31; Acts 3:21; Phil. 1:6; 1 Th. 5:2, 23; 2 Th. 2:2; Heb. 6:5; 9:28; 1 Pet. 1:5, 7, 13; 4:7
- **Jesus will return to earth**
 - His return, and the events therein, constitute “Day of the Lord.” Matt. 23:39; 24:3, 30, 36; John 14:18-19; 21:23; Acts 1:10-11; 1 Cor. 11:26; Phil. 3:20; 1 Th. 1:10; 3:13; 5:23; 2 Th. 2:1; 1 Tim. 6:14-15; Titus 2:13; Heb. 9:28; 1 Pet. 1:5, 7, 13; 4:13; 5:4; Rev. 19:11-16
 - Coming of the Son of Man; Jesus is the Son of Man. Dan. 7:13-14; Matt. 16:27-28; 24:30, 37, 39, 44; 25:31; 26:64 Mark 8:38; 13:26; 14:62; Luke 9:26; 12:40; 17:22-23, 26, 30; 18:8; 21:27; Rev. 1:5-7
- **Jesus’ return will be cataclysmic**
 - Global difficulty will precede Jesus’ return to earth. Matt. 24:4-13, 17-21, 29; Mark 13:7-8, 19-20, 24-25; Luke 21:9-10, 25-26; 2 Pet. 3:3-4
 - Persecution of Jesus’ followers will precede his return to earth. Matt. 24:9; Mark 13:9, 11-13; Luke 21:12-19
 - Deception and false prophets will precede Jesus’ return to earth. Matt. 24:4, 11, 23-26; Mark 13:6, 21-23; Luke 17:23; 21:8; 2 Th. 2:10-12; 2 Pet. 3:3-4
 - The “man of lawlessness” will precede Jesus’ return. 2 Th. 2:3-4, 6, 8-9
 - Apostasy will precede Jesus’ return. 2 Th. 2:3
 - Everyone will see him return. Matt. 24:27, 29-31; Luke 17:24; 21:25-28; Act 1:10-11; 2 Thess. 1:7; Rev. 1:7
 - God will destroy evil upon Jesus’ return. 2 Th. 2:8
 - God will destroy the present heavens and earth after Jesus’ return. 2 Pet. 3:7, 10-13
- **Judgment**
 - God will judge the earth and all the people in it. Ps. 50:3-4; Is. 2:4; 11:1-5; Matt. 13:29, 40-42; 16:27; Rom. 14:10-12; 1 Cor. 3:11-15; 4:5; James 5:9; 1 John 4:17; Rev. 20:11-15; 22:12
 - Jesus is the judge. Matt. 25:31-46; John 5:22; 1 Cor. 4:5; 2 Cor. 5:10; 2 Tim. 4:1, 8; Rev. 19:11, 15
 - How people respond to Jesus determines whether they are in or out of the kingdom in the end. Mark 8:38; 9:1; Luke 9:26; 13:24-30; 17:29; 19:27
 - Those who belong to God, who follow Jesus, will participate in God’s rule, his kingdom, eternal life, and dwell with him. Matt. 19:28; 24:31, 47; 25:34-40, 46; Mark 13:26-27; Luke 22:28-30; 2 Tim. 2:12; Rev. 5:10; 20:4, 6; 22:3
 - Care for the hungry, thirsty, strangers, naked, sick, and prisoners figures into how Jesus judges at the end. Matt. 25:31-46

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• After the end

- God will clearly and uncontestedly rule all of creation in the end. Job 19:25-26; Is. 2:2; 9:6-7; 11:1-5; 24:23; Dan. 7:13-14, 27; 1 Cor. 15:24; Rev. 11:15; 19:15-16; 20:11
- God's final rule will be characterized by peace. Is. 2:4; Is. 9:6-7; 11:6
- God's final rule will be characterized by justice. Is. 9:7; 11:3-5
- God's final rule will be characterized by righteousness. Is. 9:7; 11:4-5; Matt. 13:43; Rev. 22:3
- Jesus' return will bring a new heavens and earth and God dwelling with humanity on earth. 2 Pet. 3:13; Rev. 21:1-5, 9-27; 22:1-5
- Jesus' return is a source of reward to his followers. 2 Tim. 4:8; 1 Pet. 5:4
- Upon Jesus' return to earth, his previously deceased followers will be raised from the dead & transformed into Christ's likeness. 1 Cor. 15:22-26; Phil. 3:20-21; Col. 3:4; 1 Th. 4:15-17
- Jesus' return begins the time when his followers will live with Him forever. John. 17:24; 1 Th. 4:17; 5:10; 2 Th. 2:1; Heb. 9:28
- Jesus' followers are a source of glory to him at his return. 2 Th. 1:10
- Judgment of the wicked results in separation from God. Matt. 24:51; 25:12-13, 30, 41, 46; 2 Th. 1:8-9; Rev. 19:19-21; 20:15; 21:8, 27

• Jesus' followers: Now until the end

- **At the present God's kingdom rule is not yet fully here.** Matt. 6:10; 13:29; Luke 17:20-21; 19:11

• What is Jesus doing?

- Jesus is currently with the Father. John 14:28
- Jesus is preparing a place for his followers where they can be with him. John 14:3
- Jesus' followers' "native" home is heaven, from where Jesus will return. Phil. 3:20.
- Jesus will not leave his followers as orphans. John. 14:18

• Time

- No one knows when Jesus will return and the end will come. Matt. 24:36, 44, 50; 25:13; Mark 13:32; Luke 12:40, 46; 17:26-31; 1 Th. 5:2-3; 1 Tim. 6:15; 2 Pet. 3:10; Rev. 3:3; 16:15
- The gospel will be preached in the whole world prior to the end. Matt. 24:14; Mark 13:10
- Jesus' return is near. Rom. 13:12; Phil. 4:5; James 5:8, 9; 1 Pet. 4:7; 2 Pet. 3:8-9, 15 (God's perspective of time is different than ours; his patience is salvation); Rev. 3:11; 22:7, 10, 12, 20
- God will sustain his people all the way to Jesus' return. 1 Cor. 1:8; Phil. 1:6; 1 Th. 3:13; 5:9, 23; 2 Th. 1:11; 2 Tim. 4:18; 1 Pet. 1:5; Jude 1:24

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- Patient faithfulness in waiting for Jesus' return is required of his followers. Matt. 24:45-51; 25:14ff; Luke 9:26; 19:12-26; 1 Tim. 6:14-15; James 5:7-9
- **Future hope**
 - All of creation longs for the time when Jesus will return and reveal God's sons, when complete redemption comes. Rom. 8:18-25; 2 Tim. 4:8; Heb. 9:28
 - We eagerly, longingly await Jesus' return. Rom. 8:24-25; 1 Cor. 1:7; 2 Tim. 4:8; Titus 2:13; Heb. 9:28
 - Remembering Jesus' return is a source of comfort to his followers. 1 Th. 4:18; 5:11; James 5:8; 1 Pet. 4:12-13
 - Jesus rescues his followers from God's wrath at the end of the ages. 1 Th. 1:10; Heb. 9:28
 - Jesus' coming is an occasion for joy and hope. Matt. 25:21, 23; Luke 21:28; 1 Cor. 1:7; 1 Th. 2:19; 2 Tim. 4:8; 1 Pet. 1:6-9; 4:12-13
 - We remember and celebrate Jesus' death until he returns. 1 Cor. 11:26
 - We pray for Jesus' return. 1 Cor. 16:22; 1 John 3:2; Rev. 22:20
- **Alertness**
 - Awareness of, alertness and preparation for Jesus' return is required of his followers. Matt. 24:42-25:13; Mark 13:33-37; Luke 12:35-48; 1 Th. 5:2-10; 1 Pet. 1:13; 4:7; Rev. 16:15
 - Jesus expects us to recognize signs of the nearness of his return. Mark 13:28-29; Luke 21:25, 29-31
- **Endurance**
 - Endurance to the end is required of Jesus' followers. Matt. 24:13; Mark 13:13; Luke 21:19; 2 Tim. 2:12; James 5:7-11; 1 Pet. 1:6-7; 4:12-13; Rev. 3:11; 16:15; 21:7-8
 - Abide in Jesus and his love while we wait for his return; this alleviates fear of judgment. 1 John 2:28; 4:16-17; Jude 22