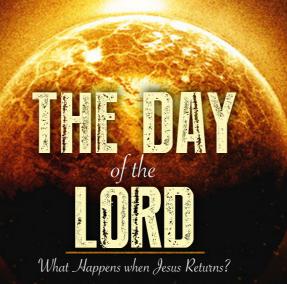


What Happens when Jesus Returns?



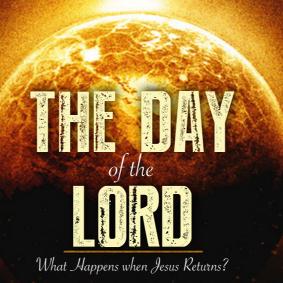
As with every subject, we have to examine all the relevant information about the issue, not just one passage.

Jesus does not advocate disrespect for one's parents (Luke 14.26). There is more to salvation than simply believing (John 3.16). There is more to salvation than baptism (Acts 22.16).



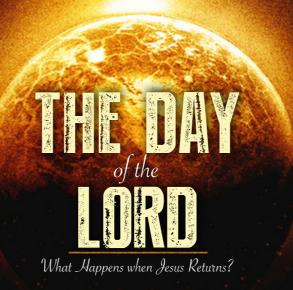
<u>1 Thessalonians 4.13-5.2</u>

The idea of the return of Christ should be comforting (4.13,18). **CONTEXT** – the dead don't miss out on the benefits of Christ's return (4.14-15). Jesus' return involves both the dead and the living (4.14-15,17). Jesus is never described as returning to the earth (4.17). After He returns, the faithful will be with Him forever (4.17). The time of His return is unknown to man (5.1-2). The time of His return will be recognized by all (4.16).



<u>1 Corinthians 15.12-58</u>

The resurrection of the dead will occur because Christ arose (15.12,20-22). The resurrection of all the dead occurs at Christ's return (15.22-23,26). The resurrection of the dead and the return of Christ is the end (15.24). The return of Christ will not escape anyone's attention (15.51-52). The return of Christ will be instantaneous (15.52). Our bodies will be made suitable for an eternal existence (15.53).



<u>2 Peter 3.3-15</u>

The world has been judged before (3.6). The delay in Christ's return should not produce doubt (3.8). The delay in Christ's return should be viewed as opportunity (3.9,15). The return of Christ will see the world destroyed (3.10,12). The end of the world does not mean the end of our existence (3.13). The timing of Christ's return is unknown to man (3.10). The reality of Christ's return should change us (3.11-12). "To give relief to you who are afflicted and to us as well when the Lord Jesus will be revealed from heaven with His mighty angels in flaming fire... when He comes to be glorified in His saints on that day, and to be marveled at among all who have believed" (2 Thessalonians 1.7,10)