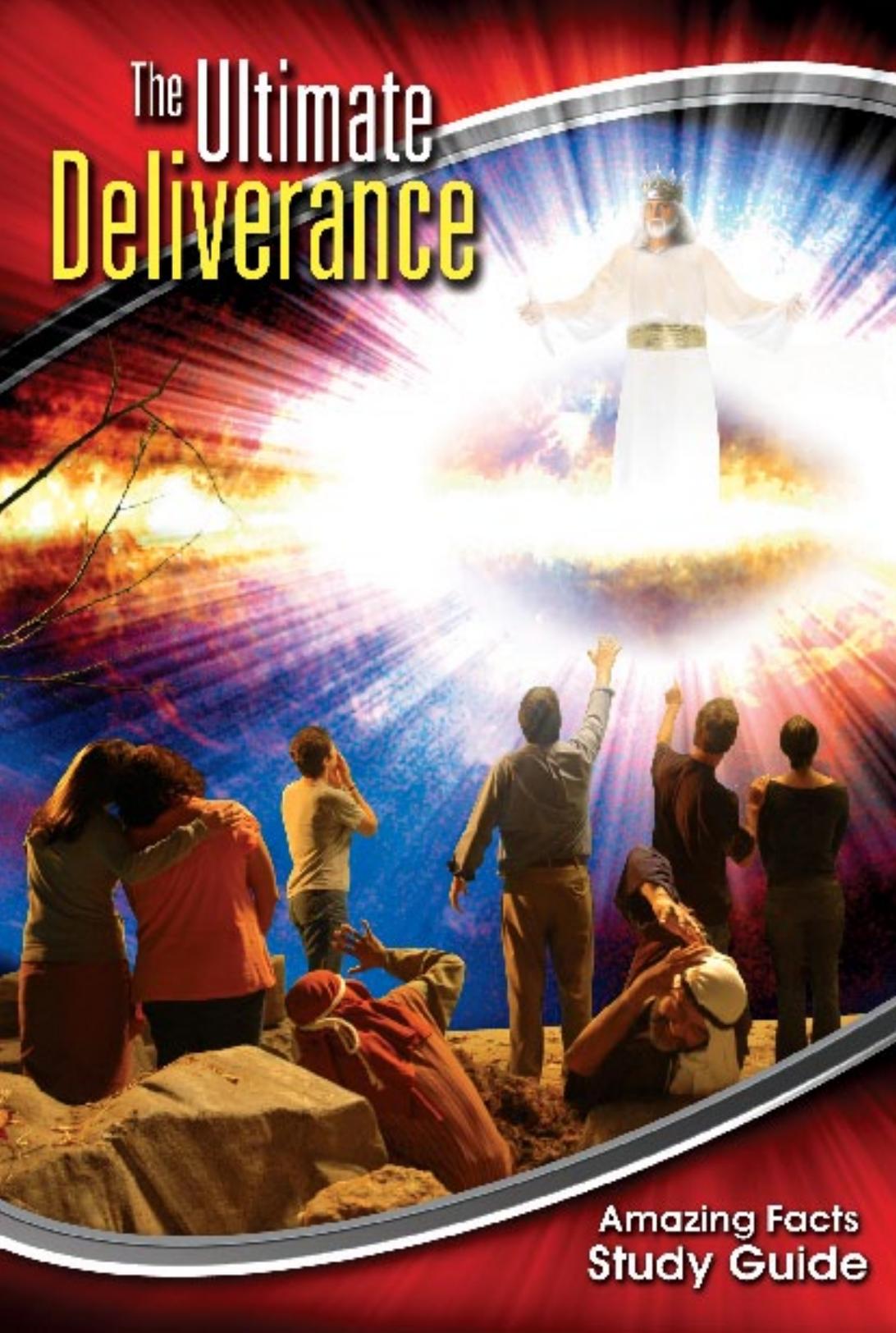


The Ultimate Deliverance



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no fairytale – one day, you can be free from all the hurt, hunger, aloneness, crime, and chaos infecting the world today. Doesn't that sound wonderful? But it's not going to be some charismatic earthly leader who's going to deliver you ... no, He's much more superior than that! Jesus is coming soon, but there is a lot of popular misconceptions regarding just how He's coming. So take a few minutes to understand what the Bible really says about the second coming so you won't be left behind!



Jesus taught that He will return to earth the second time.

1. Will Jesus return to this earth the second time? Can we be positive?

**“Christ ... will ... appear the second time” (Hebrews 9:28).
“If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again” (John 14:3).**

Answer: Yes! In Matthew 26:64, Jesus testified under oath that He would come back to this earth again. Since the Scripture cannot be broken (John 10:35), this is proof positive. Believe it just as it reads. It is Christ's own personal guarantee.

2. In what manner will Jesus return the second time?

“Now when He had spoken these things, while they watched, He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight. And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as He went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel, who also said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven” (Acts 1:9-11).

Answer: The Scriptures promise that Jesus will return to this earth in the same manner that He left at His ascension—in a visible, literal, bodily, personal manner. Matthew 24:30 says, “They will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.” He will come in the clouds literally, as a personal being with a body of flesh and bones (Luke 24:36-43, 50, 51), and His coming will be visible. Scripture is clear on these facts.

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Jesus said He will return to earth in the clouds.

3. Will the second coming of Christ be visible to all men or only to a select group?

“Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him” (Revelation 1:7). “For as the lightning comes from the east and flashes to the west, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be” (Matthew 24:27). “For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first” (1 Thessalonians 4:16).



Every person living on earth will see Jesus when He returns the second time.

Answer: Every man, woman, and child living in the world when Jesus returns will see Him at His second coming. The staggering threefold (Luke 9:26) brightness of His coming will stretch from horizon to horizon, and the atmosphere will be charged with brilliant glory like lightning. No one will be able to hide. Every living soul will be forced to face Christ. Christ left no loophole for doubt or misunderstanding. This will be a loud, dramatic event where even the dead are raised.

Note: Every person will know about the second coming! Some people use 1 Thessalonians 4:16 to point to a secret rapture, but it's one of the noisiest

verses in the Bible. The Lord shouts, a trumpet blasts, and the dead are raised! Nor is the second coming a spiritual coming into the heart at conversion. It does not take place at a man's death, nor is it figurative—to be manifested by better world conditions. These theories are all of human origin. The second coming will be a literal, worldwide, visible, personal appearance of Christ in the clouds to bring this world to an end and to reward or punish all men and women.

4. Who will come with Jesus at His second coming, and why?

“When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory” (Matthew 25:31).

Answer: All the angels of heaven will come with Jesus at His second coming. As the cloud nears the earth, Jesus will send His angels, and they will quickly gather together all of the righteous people in preparation for the trip back to heaven (Matthew 24:31).

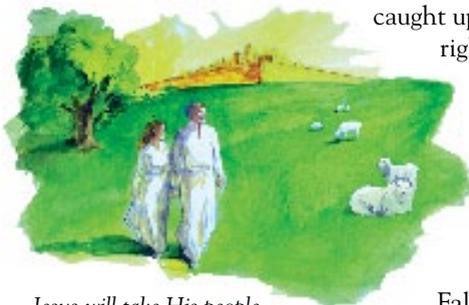


All the angels of heaven will be with Jesus at His second coming.

5. What is the purpose of Jesus' second coming to this earth?

"And behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to give to every one according to his work" (Revelation 22:12). "I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also" (John 14:3). "And that He may send Jesus Christ, ... whom heaven must receive until the times of restoration of all things" (Acts 3:20, 21).

Answer: Jesus is coming back to this earth to reward His people as He promised and to take them to the beautiful home He has prepared for them. He will restore to His people all of the joys and glories of Eden that Adam and Eve lost by sinning. His second coming will bring an end to this present age of evil.



Jesus will take His people to heaven and restore to them everything Adam and Eve lost.



Families will be reunited at Jesus' second coming.

6. What will happen to the righteous people when Jesus comes the second time?

"For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven ... And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord" (1 Thessalonians 4:16, 17). "We shall all be changed ... and the dead will be raised incorruptible. For ... this mortal must put on immortality" (1 Corinthians 15:51-53). "We also eagerly wait for ... the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body" (Philippians 3:20, 21).

Answer: The righteous dead will be raised from their graves, given perfect, immortal bodies like that of Christ, and caught up into the clouds to meet the Lord. Then the righteous living will also be given bodies like Christ and will be caught up to meet the Lord in the air. And Jesus will take the righteous to heaven with Him. Note that Jesus does not touch the earth at His second coming. The saints meet Him "in the air." So God's people will ignore any report that Christ is in Baltimore, New Orleans, Los Angeles, etc. False christs will appear and do miracles on the earth (Matthew 24:23-27), but Jesus will remain in the clouds above the earth at His second coming.

7. What will happen to the wicked people when Jesus comes again?

"With the breath of His lips He shall slay the wicked" (Isaiah 11:4). "And at that day the slain of the LORD shall be from one end of the earth even to the other end of the earth" (Jeremiah 25:33).

Answer: The wicked will be slain by Jesus.



The wicked will be slain at Jesus' second coming.

8. How will Christ's second coming affect the earth itself?

"And there was a great earthquake, such a mighty and great earthquake as had not occurred since men were on the earth." "Then every island fled away, and the mountains were not found" (Revelation 16:18, 20). "I beheld, and indeed the fruitful land was a wilderness, and all its cities were broken down at the presence of the Lord" (Jeremiah 4:26). "The LORD makes the earth empty and makes it waste." "The land shall be entirely emptied" (Isaiah 24:1, 3).



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Answer: The earth will be seized by a great earthquake at the coming of the Lord. This earthquake will be of such a devastating nature that it will leave the world in a state of total destruction.

Today's earthquakes are minor in comparison with the massive earthquake at Jesus' coming.

9. Does the Bible give specific information regarding the nearness of Christ's second coming?

Answer: Yes, it does! And Jesus Himself said, "When you see all these things, know that it[a] is near—at the doors!" (Matthew 24:33). The Lord placed signs all along the way from His ascension to His second coming. They are listed below. Study them carefully.

A. The Destruction of Jerusalem

Prophecy: "Not one stone shall be left here upon another, that shall not be thrown down." "Let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains" (Matthew 24:2, 16).

Fulfillment: Jerusalem was destroyed in A.D. 70 by the Roman warrior Titus.

B. A Great Persecution, or Tribulation

Prophecy: "For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world" (Matthew 24:21).

Fulfillment: This prophecy points primarily to the long period of tribulation that took place during the Dark Ages and was instigated by the apostate church. It lasted more than 1,000 years. Over 50 million Christians were slain for their faith in this terrible tribulation period. One writer says the apostate church "has shed more innocent blood than any other institution that has ever existed among mankind." W.E.H. Lecky, *History of the Rise and Influence of the Spirit of Rationalism in Europe*, (Reprint; New York: Braziller, 1955) Vol. 2, pp. 40-45.

Millions of Christians died during the Dark Ages. Many were burned at the stake.



C. The Sun Turned into Darkness

Prophecy: "Immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun will be darkened" (Matthew 24:29).

Fulfillment: This was fulfilled by a day of supernatural darkness on May 19, 1780. It was not an eclipse. Timothy Dwight says, "The 19th of May, 1780, was a remarkable dark day. Candles were lighted in many houses; the birds were silent and disappeared, and the fowls retired to roost. ... A very general opinion prevailed, that the day of judgment was at hand." Quoted in *Connecticut Historical Collections*, compiled by John Warner Barber (2nd ed.; New Haven: Durrie & Peck and J.W. Barber, 1836) p. 403.

D. The Moon Turned into Blood

Prophecy: "The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the coming of the great and awesome day of the Lord" (Joel 2:31).

Fulfillment: The moon became as red as blood on the night of the "dark day," May 19, 1780. Milo Bostick in *Stone's History of Massachusetts* says, "The moon which was at its full, had the appearance of blood."

E. The Stars Fall from Heaven

Prophecy: "The stars will fall from heaven" (Matthew 24:29).

Fulfillment: The great star shower took place on the night of November 13, 1833. It was so bright that a newspaper could be read on the street. One writer says, "For nearly four hours the sky was literally ablaze."* Men thought the end of the



The great star shower took place on Nov. 13, 1833.

world had come. Look into this. It is most fascinating, and a sign of Christ's coming.

*Peter A. Millman, "The Falling of the Stars," *The Telescope*, 7 (May-June, 1940) 57.

F. Jesus Comes in the Clouds

Prophecy: "Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory" (Matthew 24:30).

Fulfillment: This is the next great event. Are you ready?

10. How may we know when we have reached the very last days of earth's history? Does the Bible clearly describe the world and its people in the last generation?

Answer: Yes, indeed it does. Look at the following specific signs of the last days. You will be amazed. And these are just a few of many, many positive signs that show we are in the closing days of earth's history.

A. Wars and commotions

"But when you hear of wars and commotions, do not be terrified; for these things must come to pass" (Luke 21:9).

Wars and the ravages of civil distress are affecting thousands worldwide.

Only Jesus' soon coming will bring an end to the pain and destruction of war.



Strife between nations is a sign of Jesus' second coming.

B. Unrest, fear, and upheaval



Fear and dread of the future are signs of Jesus' return.

"And there will be ... on the earth distress of nations, with perplexity. ... Men's hearts failing them from fear and the expectation of those things which are coming on the earth" (Luke 21:25, 26).

This sounds strangely like an editorial from a current newspaper—a perfect picture of the world today—and there is a reason: We are the people of the very last days of earth's history. The tense atmosphere present in the world today should not surprise us. Christ foretold it. It should convince us that His coming is near.



An epidemic of pornography, crime, illegal drugs, and moral degeneracy is threatening to overwhelm us.

facts of God's Holy Word. A recent poll discovered that only two percent of American student ministers believe in the literal second coming of Christ.

E. Moral degeneracy—decline of spirituality

“In the last days ... men will be lovers of themselves, ... unloving, ... without self-control, ... despisers of good, ... having a form of godliness but denying its power” (2 Timothy 3:1-5).

America is in the midst of a tremendous crisis. People from all walks of life are saying so. Suicide is becoming a popular solution to human problems. Divorce rates are climbing wildly, with nearly one marriage in two ending in the divorce court. The current immoral generation—with its obsession with sex and filth, with its increasing church membership but decreasing true spirituality—is plain and positive fulfillment of God's Word. For a real shock, see how many of the last-day sins listed in 2 Timothy 3:1-5 you can find depicted in any issue of your Sunday newspaper. Nothing short of the coming of the Lord will stem the tide of evil that is now engulfing the world.

F. Craze for pleasure

“In the last days ... men will be ... lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God” (2 Timothy 3:1-4).

The world has gone crazy for pleasure. Only a small percentage of the citizens of our large cities attend church services regularly, but they jam pleasure resorts by the thousands. America is spending billions each year for pleasure and only “peanuts” (in comparison) for God. Pleasure-mad Americans waste billions of hours in front of the TV set in direct fulfillment of 2 Timothy 3:4.

C. Increase of knowledge

“Until the time of the end ... knowledge shall increase” (Daniel 12:4).

The Information Age makes this one all too obvious. Even the most skeptical mind must admit that this sign is fulfilled. Knowledge is exploding in all directions. It is said that 80 percent of the world's total knowledge has been brought forth in the last decade and that 90 percent of all the scientists who have ever lived are alive today.

D. Scoffers and religious skeptics who turn away from Bible truth

“Scoffers will come in the last days” (2 Peter 3:3). “They will not endure sound doctrine. ... They will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables” (2 Timothy 4:3, 4).

It is not difficult to find scoffers today in fulfillment of this prophecy. Even religious leaders are denying the plain Bible teachings of Creation, the Flood, the divinity of Christ, the second coming of Christ, and many other vital Bible truths. Psychiatry and the traditions of pseudo-intellectuals have replaced the Bible in many religious circles. Secular educators teach our youth to scoff at the Bible record of these great truths and substitute evolution and other man-made, false teachings for the plain, simple

G. Increasing lawlessness, bloody crimes, and violence

“Lawlessness will abound” (Matthew 24:12). “Evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse” (2 Timothy 3:13). “The land is filled with crimes of blood, and the city is full of violence” (Ezekiel 7:23).

It is all too obvious that this sign is fulfilled. Crime and lawlessness are increasing with shocking rapidity. Most people in large cities do not answer their doorbells after dark. The wisest statesmen of our time are concerned for the survival of civilization because crime sweeps forward seemingly beyond control.

H. Natural Disasters and upheaval

“There will be great earthquakes in various places, and famines and pestilences” (Luke 21:11, 25).

Earthquakes, tornadoes, floods, etc., are increasing at an unprecedented rate. One-third of the people of the world are hungry, and thousands die daily of starvation. All these things are further proof that we live in earth's last hours.

I. A special message to the world in the very last days

“This gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come” (Matthew 24:14).



Most end-time people will love pleasure more than God.

The great, solemn, last warning message of Christ's second coming is now being presented in more than 900 languages and dialects. Nearly 95 percent of the world's population has access to this message. Before Jesus' second coming, every person in the world will be warned of His soon return. People will be lost only if they reject the warning message.



Reliance on psychics, channelers, and spiritualists is evidence that we are living in the last days.

J. A turning to spiritism

“In latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits” (1 Timothy 4:1). “They are spirits of demons” (Revelation 16:14).

People today, including a vast number of the heads of nations, seek counsel from psychics, channelers, and spiritualists. Spiritism has invaded the churches, as well, with the false teaching of the immortality of the soul. The Bible teaches that the dead are dead. (See Study Guide 10 for more on this subject.)

K. Capital-labor troubles

“The wages of the laborers who mowed your fields, which you kept back by fraud, cry out; and the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord .” “Be patient. ... for the coming of the Lord is at hand” (James 5:4, 8).

Trouble between capital and labor is predicted for the last days. For fulfillment, consult your newspaper.

11. Just how near is the Lord's second coming?

"Now learn this parable from the fig tree: When its branch has already become tender and puts forth leaves, you know that summer is near. So you also, when you see all these things, know that it is near—at the doors! Assuredly, I say to you, this generation will by no means pass away till all these things take place" (Matthew 24:32-34).

Answer: The Bible is very specific and plain on this point. The signs have almost all been fulfilled. We cannot know the exact day and hour of Christ's return (Matthew 24:36), but we know that He is coming soon. God has promised to finish things very quickly now and cut the work short (Romans 9:28). Christ is coming back to this earth for His people very soon. Are you ready?



We are living in the final moments of time.

12. Satan is telling many falsehoods regarding the second coming of Christ and, with lying wonders and miracles, will deceive millions. How can I be certain I will not be deceived?

"For they are spirits of demons, performing signs [miracles]" (Revelation 16:14). "For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect" (Matthew 24:24). "To the law and to the testimony! If they do not speak according to this word, it is because there is no light in them" (Isaiah 8:20).

Answer: Satan has invented many false teachings about the second coming and is deceiving millions into believing that Christ has already come or that He will come in some non-biblical manner. But Christ has warned us of Satan's strategy, saying, "Take heed that no one deceives you" (Matthew 24:4). He then exposes Satan's plans and falsehoods so we will be forewarned, and He reminds us, "See, I have told you beforehand" (Matthew 24:25). For example, Jesus stated specifically that He will not appear in the desert or come to the séance chambers (verse 26). There is no reason to be deceived if we learn what God's book teaches about Christ's second coming. The acid test is this: What does the Bible teach about it?



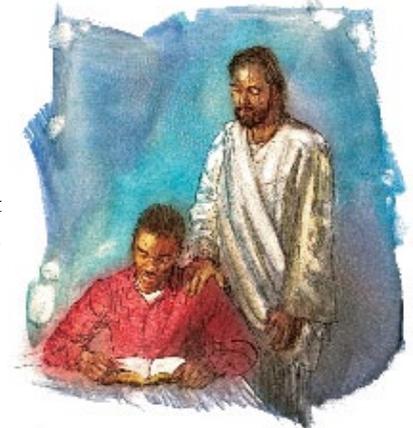
What appears to be Jesus in a séance chamber is one of Satan's impersonating demons.

People who know what the Bible says about the second coming will not be led astray by Satan. All others will be deceived.

13. How can I be certain to be ready when Jesus comes back?

"He one who comes to Me I will by no means cast out" (John 6:37). "As many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God" (John 1:12). "I will put My laws in their mind and write them on their hearts" (Hebrews 8:10). "Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Corinthians 15:57).

Answer: Jesus says, "Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in" (Revelation 3:20). Through the Holy Spirit and my conscience, Jesus knocks and asks to come into my heart so that He can change my life. If I unreservedly turn my life over to Him, He will erase all my sins of the past (Romans 3:25) and give me the power to live a godly life (John 1:12). As a free gift, He bestows upon me His own righteous character so I can stand unafraid before a holy God when my life is changed by Jesus. Then doing His will becomes a pleasure. It is so simple that many doubt its reality. But it's true. My part is simply to give my life to Christ and let Him live within me. His part is to work the mighty miracle within me that changes my life and prepares me for His second coming. It is a free gift. I need only to accept it.



We must not become so busy that we have no time for Christ.

14. Of what great danger does Christ solemnly warn?

"Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect" (Matthew 24:44). "But take heed to yourselves, lest your hearts be weighed down with carousing, drunkenness, and cares of this life, and that Day come on you unexpectedly" (Luke 21:34). "But as the days of Noah were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be" (Matthew 24:37).

Answer: There is great danger in becoming so busy with the cares of this life or so entranced by the pleasures of sin that the coming of the Lord may slip up on us as the Flood did on the world in Noah's day, and we will be surprised, unprepared, and lost. This will be the experience of millions. How is it with you? Jesus is coming back very, very soon—in our present day. Are you ready? Nothing else matters.

15. Are you planning to be ready when Jesus returns for His people?

Your Answer: _____

YOUR THOUGHT QUESTIONS ANSWERED

1 Isn't the great tribulation yet to come?

ANSWER: It is true that a terrible tribulation will cover the earth just before Jesus returns to deliver His people. Daniel describes it as “a time of trouble, such as never was” (Daniel 12:1). In context, though, the “great tribulation” of Matthew 24:21 refers to the awful persecution of God’s people during the Dark Ages. Millions were slain for their faith at that time.

2 Since the Lord is coming “as a thief in the night,” how can anyone know anything about it?

ANSWER: The answer is found in 1 Thessalonians 5:2-4: “For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night. For when they say, ‘Peace and safety!’ then sudden destruction comes upon them, as labor pains upon a pregnant woman. And they shall not escape. But you, brethren, are not in darkness, so that this Day should overtake you as a thief.” Notice, the day of the Lord comes as a thief to the unprepared, but not to those who are called “brethren.”

3 When will Christ set up His kingdom upon the earth?

ANSWER: After the great 1,000-year period of Revelation 20. The 1,000-year period begins at the second coming of Christ, when Jesus takes the righteous from this earth to heaven to live and reign with Him “a thousand years.” (Revelation 20:4). At the close of the 1,000 years “the holy city, new Jerusalem” (Revelation 21:2) comes down from heaven to the earth with all the saints (Zechariah 14:1, 4, 5) and the wicked dead of all ages are raised to life (Revelation 20:5). They surround the holy city to capture it (Revelation 20:9), and fire comes down from God out of heaven and devours them. This fire purifies the earth and burns up all traces of sin and sinners (2 Peter 3:10). Finally the fire goes out (Isaiah 47:14), leaving only ashes (Malachi 4:3). Then God creates a new earth (2 Peter 3:13; Isaiah 65:17; Revelation 21:1) and gives it to the righteous, and “God ... will dwell with them, ... God himself will be with them and be their God” (Revelation 21:3). Perfect, holy, happy beings, restored once again

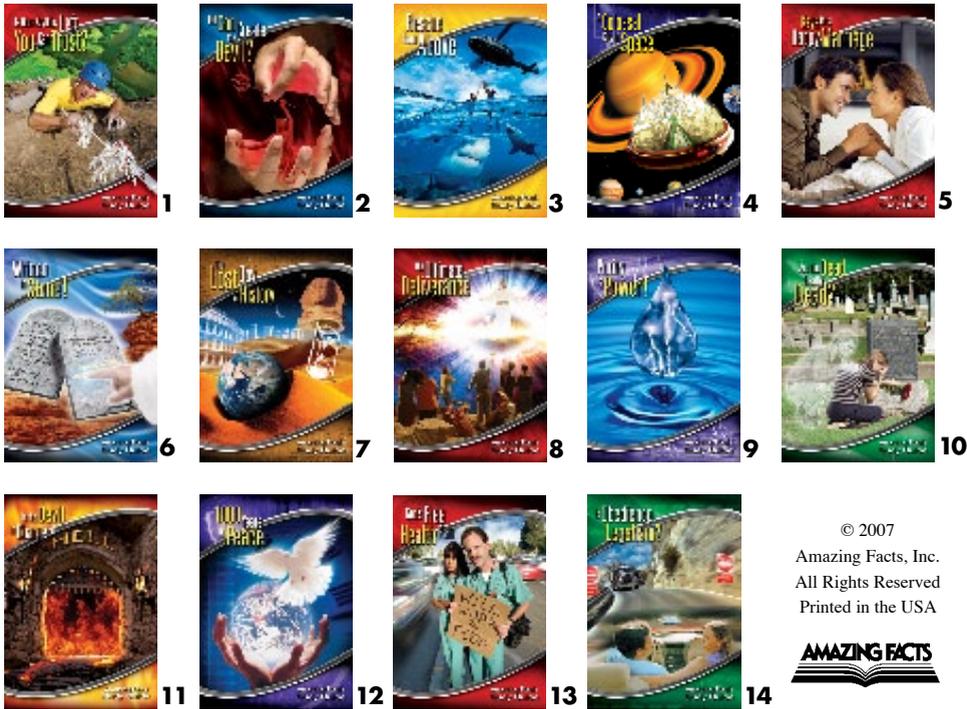
to the perfect image of God, will at last be at home in a sinless, spotless world as God originally planned. Only the most foolish person would choose to miss this. (For more information on God’s beautiful new kingdom, see Study Guide 4. For more on the 1,000 years, see Study Guide 12.)

4 Why don't we hear more preaching and teaching today regarding Christ's second coming?

ANSWER: The devil is responsible. He well knows that the second coming is the “blessed hope” (Titus 2:13) of the Christian, and that once understood, it changes the lives of men and women and leads them to take a personal, diligent, active part in spreading that good news to others so that Christ’s coming may be hastened. This infuriates Satan, so he influences those who have “a form of godliness” (2 Timothy 3:5) but deny “the power thereof” to scoff, saying, “Where is the promise of His coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning” (2 Peter 3:3, 4). Those who deny, ignore, or make light of Christ’s second advent (as a literal, soon-coming event) are specifically fulfilling Bible prophecy—and doing the devil a very great service.

5 But wasn't Jesus speaking of the secret rapture when He said in Luke 17:36, “One will be taken and the other left”?

ANSWER: No. There is not the slightest indication that the event is secret. Jesus was describing Noah’s flood and the destruction of Sodom. (See Luke 17:26-37.) He told how God spared Noah and Lot and destroyed the wicked. He says specifically that the flood and fire “destroyed them all.” (vs. 27, 29). Plainly, in each case, a few were taken to safety and the rest were destroyed. Then He added, “Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed.” (v. 30). To illustrate, Jesus continued, “Two men shall be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left” (v. 36). There is nothing secret about it. “Every eye will see Him” (Revelation 1:7). At His second coming, Christ publicly and openly takes the righteous up into the clouds (1 Thessalonians 4:16, 17) and slays the wicked (Isaiah 11:4; 2 Thessalonians 2:8). That’s why Luke 17:37 speaks of the bodies of the wicked and mentions the eagles (or vultures) gathered around them. (See also Revelation 19:17, 18.) The wicked who are left behind at Christ’s coming are left dead. (For more on the secret rapture, write for our book on the subject.)



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SUMMARY SHEET

Please read the Study Guide before completing this Summary Sheet. All answers to the questions below can be found in the Study Guide. Place a check by the correct answer. Numbers in parentheses (1) indicate the number of correct answers.

- At His second coming (1)**
 - Christ will arrive privately and visit certain cities of the earth.
 - Christ will appear in the desert.
 - Christ will remain in the clouds and call the righteous up to meet Him in the air.
- When Jesus returns to this earth (1)**
 - Only the righteous will see Him.
 - Every eye will see Him.
 - People will not know it until it is announced on TV.
- What will happen to the righteous at Christ's second coming? (2)**
 - Righteous dead will be raised, given immortality, caught up into clouds, and taken to heaven.
 - Righteous living will be given immortality, caught up into clouds, and taken to heaven.
 - Righteous will stay here and convert the wicked.
 - Righteous will be secretly snatched away.
- On the basis of biblical signs, Christ's coming is most likely to occur (1)**
 - Very, very soon!
 - Several hundred years from now.
 - It has already occurred.
- The wicked who are living when Jesus returns will be (1)**
 - Placed in hell, where they burn forever.
 - Slain at His second coming.
 - Spared and given another chance.
- Check the statements below that tell the truth about Christ's second coming: (4)**
 - He will come secretly.
 - The second coming is the experience of conversion.
 - He will come in the clouds.
 - Christ comes for us at the hour of our death.
 - The wicked will not see Him.
 - All the angels will be with Him.
 - He will not actually touch the earth.
 - It is possible to know the day and hour of His coming.
 - Millions will be surprised and lost.
- At Christ's second coming (1)**
 - The whole world will be ready and waiting.
 - There will be a devastating, worldwide earthquake.
 - The wicked will be converted.
- Mark all statements that are true signs of the last days of earth: (7)**
 - The world will get better and better.
 - Strife between capital and labor.
 - Fewer earthquakes, storms, etc.
 - Falling away from Bible truth.
 - Lower divorce rate.
 - Craze for pleasure.
 - Moral degeneracy.
 - A great drop in the crime rate.
 - Great famines.
 - Increase of knowledge.
 - Unrest and upheaval.
- Which signs in the heavens are signs of Christ's return? (2)**
 - Haley's comet.
 - The dark day of 1780.
 - The falling stars of November 1833.
 - The moon falling to the earth.

10. How do we know that Jesus is coming back to earth very soon? (1)

- The Bible gives signs and perfect descriptions of the last days.
- Because so many people believe that Jesus is coming soon.
- Some fortune tellers predict it.

11. Millions will be deceived regarding the manner and time of Christ's return because (1)

- God does not want all to be saved.
- They do not give large enough offerings.
- They do not study their Bibles to find the truth of the matter.

12. I can be ready for Christ's return if (1)

- Jesus lives within me.
- I read the newspaper daily.
- I do what my minister suggests.

13. I am planning to be ready when Jesus returns.

- Yes.
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