

"LOOK FOR HIS COMING"

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WE FEEL THE LORD IS LEADING IN EIGHT FUTURE ISSUES TO BE AS FOLLOWS:

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I. PRECEPTS

We have much confusion and sometimes down right arguments and dissention as to the Lord coming back before, in the midst, or at the end of the great tribulation period. This series of “Look For His Coming” is an attempt to shed some light on the subject. It is also understood that an estimated 20 to 30 percent of the scriptures are directed toward prophesy. We are told the Lord would do nothing until he revealed it unto the prophets first (Amos3:7). We are children of light and not the children of darkness (John 12:36). Daniel made it clear that there would be those of understanding in the last days and they would turn many (Daniel 11:33). He also tells of the persecution that will befall them.

I had a well-known minister tell me that when he surrendered to preach he had some older brethren to tell him to always study the Bible precept upon precept. He found this was the way to study the Bible. For example the precept of sin entering the world starts in Genesis and goes through Revelation. All scriptures are enjoined. Christ coming is foretold in the Old Testament many times and is shown many times in the New Testament. All scriptures are enjoined in this concept and must be interpreted accordingly. Originally Adam had no sin and in the closing chapters in Revelation God's children are returned to this state. If we want to know the truth of the Bible we must enjoin Precept upon Precept, line upon line, a little here and a little there. The Bible must be taken in its entirety and everything must fit. A brick wall is put together piece by piece with every brick in place. If one brick is taken out there is a hole in the wall and it has been weakened. The more bricks taken out the greater the hole is and the weaker the wall. When you start to tamper with the Word of God and take a little out here and a little there or change a little here and a little there we become like Isa. 29:13 below. We may draw near Him with our mouths and with our lips do honor Him but our heart will be far from Him.

CONCLUSION: If we are born again believers in Jesus Christ, believing He is the only begotten Son Of God, and believe He is coming again and we are willing to pick up our cross and follow Him, willing to lay our life down for Him and have faith to be persecuted, then we have no need of knowing when He is coming back. We will be ready servants.

1. PRECEPT:

Strong's Concordance

Definition: Old Testament - commandment, precept, to constitute, enjoin, appoint, charge, give a, give in, send with, send a messenger, put, (set) in order.
(The above was used in Isaiah chapter 28)

A different Hebrew word is however used in Isaiah Chapter 29 which the definition is as follows:
a command, whether human or divine (collect the Law) (which was) commandment, law, order, or precept.

Webster's Dictionary New 20th Century 2nd Edition refers to Precept as to take, beforehand, to admonish, before.

1. a commandment, or direction meant as a rule of action or conduct.
2. a rule of moral conduct, a maxim
3. a rule of direction, as doing something technical
4. in law, a written order; a warrant, a writ

Precedence in laws of the land shows past cases to set a rule of order to go by from past experience. This in turn sets future rulings.

Rule upon rule, law upon law, commandment upon commandment, enjoined, put together, interlocking from beforehand.

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As you will see below God gives knowledge to those that have been weaned from the milk and drawn from the breast. We must have basic knowledge of God's Word and be prepared to move further into the word. It certainly seems clear to me that the entire word of God is enjoined together with each commandment based upon all other commandments and rule upon rule. Every thing from Genesis 1:1 to the end of Revelation is enjoined together with each precept closely fitting in its place with all others fitting together.

ALL MUST BE IN HARMONY.

How can we hope to understand the coming of the Lord except it is shown to fit the precepts stated through the Bible and enjoined? If a theory will not enjoin and clearly does not fit then by all means leave it alone.

CAN WHAT IS PREACHED AND TAUGHT BE SCRIPTURALLY SHOWN IN THE BIBLE? IS IT A SUPPOSITION, CONJECTURE OR WHAT THEY HAVE BEEN TAUGHT? PERHAPS IN SOME CASES IT MAY SIMPLY BE WHAT IS DESIRED, OR WHAT IS WANTED TO BE HEARD.

“...precept upon precept,...”

“...precept upon precept,...”

“...line upon line,...”

“...line upon line;...”

“...here a little,...”

“...there a little;...”

Isa 28:13 But the word of the LORD was unto them precept upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little; that they might go, and fall backward, and be broken, and snared, and taken.

“Whom shall he teach knowledge?”

“...whom shall he make to understand doctrine?”

“...them that are weaned from the milk,...”

“...drawn from the breasts.”

Isa 28:9 Whom shall he teach knowledge? and whom shall he make to understand doctrine? them that are weaned from the milk, and drawn from the breasts.

Isa 28:10 For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little:

“...precept of men:...”

Isa 29:13 Wherefore the Lord said, Forasmuch as this people draw near me with their mouth, and with their lips do honour me, but have removed their heart far from me, and their fear toward me is taught by the precept of men:

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Please note that this last precept has been separated out as the precept of men. I fear that many things we believe have been separated out from the word of God by the precepts of man and not of God. We must be careful that our precepts are Godly precepts and not from man. Please note the Hebrew word for precept used in Isa. 29:13 is different than Isa. 28:10.

If we plan to search the scriptures on end times to receive knowledge and understanding we must be:

1. weaned from the milk (Isa. 28:9)
2. drawn from the breast (Isa. 28:9)
3. precept upon precept (Isa. 28:13)
4. line upon line (Isa.28:13)
5. a little here and a little there (Isa. 28:13)

All the scriptures must be enjoined and any precept must fit the rest of the Bible and all its precepts, lest we fall into the trap of the precept of man. Certainly all scholars should know that any studies should be led by the Holy Spirit.

PRECEPT

2. HE IS COMING AGAIN

REVIEW: I PRECEPT – RULE-COMMANDMENT-ENJOINED-TOGETHER

Acts 1:10 And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel;

Acts 1:11 Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.

CLOUD, CLOUDS

Dan 7:13 I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him.

Rev 1:7 Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.

Rev 14:14 And I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud one sat like unto the Son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle.

Rev 14:15 And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to him that sat on the cloud, Thrust in thy sickle, and reap: for the time is come for thee to reap; for the harvest of the earth is ripe.

Rev 14:16 And he that sat on the cloud thrust in his sickle on the earth; and the earth was reaped.

Mat 24:30 And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

Mark 13:26 And then shall they see the Son of man coming in the clouds with great power and glory.

Luke 21:27 And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.

Mat 28:20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

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John 14:3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

1 Th 2:19 For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? Are not even ye in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at his coming?

1 Th 3:13 To the end he may stablish your hearts unblameable in holiness before God, even our Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all his saints.

1 Th 4:16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

1 Th 4:17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

1 Th 5:23 And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

MODERN DAY CHRISTIANS WANT A CROWN WITHOUT A CROSS

A SERVANT IS NOT BETTER THAN HIS MASTER

Mat 10:24 The disciple is not above his master, nor the servant above his lord.

Luke 6:40 The disciple is not above his master: but every one that is perfect shall be as his master.

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LET IT BE CLEAR NO MAN KNOWS THE DAY OR THE HOUR FOR THE RETURN OF THE LORD.

PURPOSE OF THIS PUBLICATION: To make an awareness that we are living in the last days of the last days. The coming of Jesus Christ, the son of the living God is at the doors. This is a monthly publication distributed to a mailing list, churches, business, and handed out. A home computer is used to generate it. The main issues addressed are (1) End Times Scriptures and Prophecy (2) Condition of the times including our churches (3) Current and past fulfillment of Prophecy (4) Related current events. I am trying to be a good steward of the precious time we have left and do as I feel God is directing.

We welcome QUESTIONS. We may not have the answer or the bible may be silent on a particular subject. We are interested in questions that the bible has an answer.

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CREMATION

QUESTION: WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT CREMATION?

The word cremation does not appear in the Bible.

The following are a list of scriptures where bodies were burned and lastly final judgment is mentioned and the burning of bones.

VENGEANCE

1 Sam 31:12 All the valiant men arose, and went all night, and took the body of Saul and the bodies of his sons from the wall of Bethshan, and came to Jabesh, and burnt them there.

UNRIGHTEOUSNESS

Amos 6:10 And a man's uncle shall take him up, and he that burneth him, to bring out the bones out of the house, and shall say unto him that is by the sides of the house, Is there yet any with thee? and he shall say, No. Then shall he say, Hold thy tongue: for we may not make mention of the name of the LORD.

PUNISHMENT OF CRIMINALS

Lev 20:14 And if a man take a wife and her mother, it is wickedness: they shall be burnt with fire, both he and they; that there be no wickedness among you.

Lev 21:9 And the daughter of any priest, if she profane herself by playing the whore, she profaneth her father: she shall be burnt with fire.

Josh 7:25 And Joshua said, Why hast thou troubled us? the LORD shall trouble thee this day. And all Israel stoned him with stones, and burned them with fire, after they had stoned them with stones.

ETERNAL PUNISHMENT

Please note that the punishment in hell or the lake of fire that eternal fire or everlasting fire is mentioned. Always the fire is reproach or contempt. (Scriptures on these are almost to numerous to list)

CONTEMPT

Burning of Bones

Amos 2:1 Thus saith the LORD; For three transgressions of Moab, and for four, I will not turn away the punishment thereof; because he burned the bones of the king of Edom into lime:

1 Ki 13:2 And he cried against the altar in the word of the LORD, and said, O altar, altar, thus saith the LORD; Behold, a child shall be born unto the house of David, Josiah by name; and upon thee shall he offer the priests of the high places that burn incense upon thee, and men's bones shall be burnt upon thee.

2 Ki 23:20 And he slew all the priests of the high places that were there upon the altars, and burned men's bones upon them, and returned to Jerusalem.

2 Chr 34:5 And he burnt the bones of the priests upon their altars, and cleansed Judah and Jerusalem.

The Mishna (oral law handed down) forbids cremation as idolatry.

CONCLUSION: All scriptures found on the subject were vengeance, unrighteousness, punishment of criminals, eternal punishment and contempt. It would be difficult to see how the Lord would be pleased with it. Each person answers to his/her own master.