



Finish: In a Moment, Everything Will Change!

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Text: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-3

Passage Summary: As the return of Christ draws near, the Scriptures are clear; the church can no longer afford to be in the dark, but rather must live in the light of the coming _____ of the _____!

180 Degree Truth #1: See that the church that lives in the light of the coming Day of the Lord is the church that is _____ for Christ's _____! (5:1-3)

"But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything in it will be laid bare."

2 Peter 3:10

See that the coming Day of the Lord...

Is an event that is distinct from the blessings of the _____!

Is not merely a 24 hour period of time, but rather represents an _____ of time!

Will be a time of God's wrath and judgment poured out upon an _____ humanity!

Has primary reference to the _____ of Christ at the end of the tribulation!

Will lead to the _____ of Israel!

Application: Recognize that when it comes to the church that is ready for Christ's return, they understand that it will be...

- _____! (v.1-3a)

"Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come. But understand this: If the owner of the house had known at what time of night the thief was coming, he would have kept watch and would not have let his house be broken into. So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him."

Matthew 24:42-44

Remember: When it comes to the return of Christ, you may not have as much time as you think; for "One day will be your last to heed the gospel of Jesus Christ. If you have not, don't _____. There is a heaven. There is a hell. And there is a _____." (Chuck Swindoll)

- _____! (v.3b)

"...how shall we escape if we ignore such a great salvation?"

Hebrews 2:3

Remember: When it comes to the return of Christ, you may not have as much time as you think; if you miss the rapture, you will have punched your _____ to the tribulation, and with regard to the judgments that are contained within that period, there will be no _____!

"The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance."

2 Peter 3:9

"And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?'"

Luke 18:6-8

Core Conviction to Live By: Resolutely determine that you will no longer be in the dark, but live in the light of the coming Day of the Lord; in a _____, everything will _____, so give your life to Christ now, while you have the opportunity, and if you have, live as if His return could be today!