

**HE'S COMING AGAIN!**  
**2 Pet. 3:10-13**

**I. JESUS' TIME ON EARTH.**

- A. Fulfillment of prophecy, Gen. 3:15; Gal. 4:4.
- B. The ministry of Christ.
  - 1. Throughout ministry, told of death and resurrection.
    - a. Mt. 12:40, "...as Jonah was 3 days..."
    - b. Mt. 16:21, "...began to show to disciples..."
    - c. Mt. 20:18-19, "...mocked, scourged..."
  - 2. Told of His return to earth one day.
    - a. Mt. 16:27, "Son of Man is going to come..."
    - b. Mt. 24:30-31, "...see the Son of Man coming..."
    - c. Mt. 26:64, "...will see the Son of Man..."
  - 3. Promised to prepare a place, Jn. 14:1-3.
- C. Apostles struggle with concept.
  - 1. Especially as they witness Gethsemane, trial, crucifix.
    - a. Mt. 16:22-23, "This shall never happen..."
    - b. Mt. 26:56, "All the disciples fled."
  - 2. Even after the empty tomb.
    - a. Jn. 20:9, "...they did not understand..."
    - b. Jn. 20:24-28, Thomas doubting resurrection.
    - c. Jn. 21:3, Peter goes back to fishing.
  - 3. Reminded by angels that Christ would return, Acts 1:11.

**II. MESSAGE OF APOSTLES.**

- A. Sermon not only of death, but also of return.
  - 1. Acts 3:21, "...until the period of restoration..."
  - 2. Acts 10:39-43, "Judge of the living and dead..."
  - 3. Acts 17:30-31, "...has fixed a day..."
  - 4. Acts 23:6, "...on trial for hope of resurrection..."
  - 5. Acts 24:15, (Felix) a hope for the resurrection.
- B. Attitude of apostles towards the resurrection.
  - 1. Rom. 8:23-24, "waiting eagerly..."
  - 2. 1 Cor. 1:7, "waiting eagerly for Jesus..."
  - 3. Phil. 3:20-21, "...citizenship in heaven..."
  - 4. Jas. 5:7-9
- C. Their enthusiasm was contagious.
  - 1. Thessalonians ready for second coming, 1Thess. 4:13-5:6.
  - 2. Second letter warned to be patient, 2 Thess. 2:1-5.

**III. SAME MESSAGE TODAY.**

- A. Jesus is coming again.
  - 1. Mt. 24:43-44, "...will come as a thief in the night..."
  - 2. 1 Cor. 11:26, "...until He comes..."
  - 3. Heb. 9:28, "...will appear a second time..."

- B. Hesitation at the Lord's coming.
  - 1. Too wrapped up in the world?
    - a. Mt. 6:19-21, "...*store up treasures...*"
    - b. 1 Jn. 2:15-17, "...*do not love the world...*"
    - c. Jas. 4:4, "...*friendship of the world...*"
  - 2. Not ready for the Lord's judgment?
    - a. Mt. 25:1-13, parable of the 10 virgins.
    - b. Acts 24:25, Felix.
    - c. 2 Pet. 3:10-15a, "...*looking for and hastening...*"