

# Three Things

## *About The Second Coming of Jesus*

(2 Peter 3:1-13)

- Introduction:
1. When's the last time you thought about the second coming of Jesus?
  2. There is so much confusion about the return of Jesus.
  3. Tonight, will be the third lesson of a series of twelve lessons that will be presented this year under the title of "Three Things."
  4. Tonight's topic is "Three Things About the Second Coming of Jesus."

### **I. There Will Be No Signs**

- A. There have been countless people predicting the time of Jesus' return.
- B. However, consider what the Bible says:
  1. As a thief in the night (2 Peter 3:10).
  2. Don't know the day or hour (Matthew 24:36; 25:13).
  3. It will be as in the days of Noah (Matthew 24:37-40).
  4. He is coming when he is not expected (Matthew 24:44).
- C. But what about the signs in (Matthew 24:1-28)?

### **II. There Will Be No Rapture**

- A. One of the reasons members of the body of Christ know little about the rapture is because the Bible doesn't mention it.
- B. The theory of the rapture is that there are two "comings of Jesus."
  1. One is for the saints (1 Thessalonians 4:14-18).
  2. The second is with the saints (1 Thessalonians 3:13).
- C. But these aren't two comings, but two facts about his one coming.
  1. He is coming for the saints still on earth (1 Thessalonians 4:17).
  2. And when he comes for the saints still on the earth, he will bring the saints who had already departed to be with him (Ecclesiastes 12:7).
  3. Consider (John 5:28-29).

### **III. It Will Be a Day of Victory**

- A. So many Christians needlessly live in fear of Jesus' return.
- B. While it will be a day of destruction and vengeance on the disobedient, that is not how it is described for the child of God (2 Thessalonians 1:8).
- C. However, consider these verses:
  1. (2 Thessalonians 1:7) Rest.
  2. (Hebrews 9:28) Salvation.
  3. (John 14:1-3) Coming to receive us.

- Conclusion:
1. Live expectantly, looking for the coming of Jesus.
  2. And if you do, you need not fear his coming, but rather will triumphantly rejoice at his appearing!
  3. If you're not prepared, get right while you still can!