

15 November

 Break the ice

Write down what God is saying to you in today's message:

TOPIC: Seeing Jesus Return

 Let's hear your story

1. Tell of a time when you had to explain to a friend or family member what Jesus will do upon His return?
2. How will Jesus return according to Acts 1:8 – 11? (**The same He ascended into heaven**).
3. What will Jesus do upon His return according to Revelation 20:11 - 13? (**Judge everyone who has ever lived**).
4. According to Revelation 14:10 who rules over hell? (**Jesus Christ**).

 Let's go deeper

5. According to Matthew 25:41 and Romans 1:18; who will be punished in hell according to their sin? (**unbelievers / unrighteous**).
6. True or false, Christians will judge angels and demons? (**True, see 1 Corinthians 6:2 – 3 and Revelations 5:10**).
7. According to 1 Thessalonians 4:17, with whom will believers be forever? (**Believers will forever be with the Lord Jesus Christ**).
8. According to Matthew 25:34, what has been prepared for believers since the foundation of the world? (**The Kingdom of God**).

 Let's apply this

9. **Read:** Philippians 1:21 - 26.

- **How do we not grow weary and lose hope?**

Paul, tells his church this, "I would love to just be with Jesus and have it all over. If Jesus came back that would be the best. "Paul, says there's a lot of people who don't know Jesus. There's a lot of grace and truth that needs to be shared." Paul tells his church, that we are here as Christians because there are still people that need love, truth, compassion, mercy, repentance and Jesus.

Is there someone you know who needs to hear the Good News of Jesus?

SUMMARY:

- **What will Jesus do upon His return?**

Jesus will return in Glory – Read: Acts 1:8 – 11

Jesus will judge everyone who has ever lived – Read: Revelation 20:11 – 13
Now many people will say, "I don't like judgment." The truth is Jesus says in the Gospel of John, "That the Father has entrusted to the Son, all judgment." So, Jesus is the one who judges. The truth is we don't know each other's life, deeds and thoughts. We don't see what's done in secret, but Jesus knows and sees all. And He is without sin, He is all together good. And He is the One who is fit to judge. There is coming a day of complete total, accurate and perfect justice. And on that day Jesus knows all of our hearts, minds, thoughts and lives. He knows everybody who has ever lived, what they said and done. And Jesus will make a just, perfect, righteous judgment about who we are and what we've done in thought, word and deed. That day is coming. Many people think that, because they are getting away with something that they will be able to get away with it forever and they won't.

Jesus will punish unbelievers in hell according to their sin

Read: Matthew 25:41; Romans 1:18, 24, 26; Rom. 2:5 – 6 and Revelation 14:10 – 11
Jesus is the Person in scripture who teach the most on judgment and hell.

Jesus will reward Christians according to their righteousness

Read: 2 Corinthians 5:9 – 10.

Jesus and Christians will judge and rule - **Read:** 1 Cor. 6:2 – 3 and Rev. 5:10

Jesus will be with us in a new perfect creation - **Read:** Revelation 21:1 – 5.

Jesus will give Christians perfected, glorified, resurrected bodies

Read: 1 Thessalonians 4:16; "For the Lord himself will come down from heaven with a loud command, with a voice of the arch angel with a trumpet call for God and the dead in Christ will rise first." As Jesus rose so the children of God will rise. As Jesus rose in a perfect glorified resurrected body so the children of God will be resurrected in a perfect glorified resurrected body. No more sickness, no death.

Jesus will set up His Kingdom forever - **Read:** Matthew 25:34; Revelation 5:5 – 6

When Jesus returns, He will set up His Kingdom that will extend over all peoples, all places, all times. The King will be seated and everything will be fine. I want you to get the concept that when Jesus returns, He is a King. And when He returns, He sets up His Kingdom. And that Kingdom has no sin, no sickness, no evil, no injustice, no death because he will take it all away and conquer it. There will be judgment for unbelievers and punishment in hell. There will be rewards for the Christian believers in heaven.