

# ***Sunday Sermon Notes***

## ***The King is Coming!***

### **Could these be our “Last Days on Earth”?**

7. Death of a star and gamma ray burst
6. Intelligent machines take over
5. Asteroids hit the earth
4. Super-volcanoes erupt
3. Nuclear war and terrorism
2. Pandemic flu outbreak
1. Climate change and global warming

### **What does the Bible tell us?**

Catastrophic disasters will happen  
Terrible tribulations will come  
Satan and evil will seem to be winning  
There will be a final battle: “Armageddon”

### **One sure thing: The King is Coming!** *(Rev. 19:11-16)*

His identity is made known: Jesus Christ  
His character is revealed: faithful, true, just  
His sovereignty is declared: eyes, crowns  
His deity is affirmed: unknown name, Word of God  
His judgment is enforced: strike down the nations

### **When He comes victory is certain:**

He is the Lamb who was slain *(Rev. 5:12)*  
He is the King who is victorious *(Rev. 19:19-20)*

### **Three things I don’t want to miss:**

The wedding supper of the Lamb *(Rev. 19:9)*  
Being with Jesus in the final battle *(Rev. 19:14)*  
Seeing the New Jerusalem *(Rev. 21:1ff)*

### **One thing I will not be able to miss:**

The final judgment of all people *(Rev. 20:11-15)*

### ***Is my name in the book of life?***

# ***Digging Deeper***

## **Notes for Individual Meditation and Small Group Discussion**

How have you generally felt about the second coming of Jesus? Fear, anticipation, skepticism?

What did you learn from this week’s sermon that helped you the most?

The Bible lesson today is rather lengthy. We are not trying to study every part of this passage, but look for those images which encourage us the most about our future destiny as Christians.

### ***Bible Study: Revelation 21:1 – 22:5***

#### ***Discussion Questions***

*(Remember that not all questions must be used)*

John’s image of the “New Jerusalem” is that of an ideal city in the time in which John lived. As we read this passage, let us consider how we in our time would envision a perfect city.

21:1-4 In John’s day, the sea was a place of evil. Why would this be important to John’s image of the new creation?

What does the voice from the throne say that means the most to you about what things will be like in the new order?

21:5-8 Why would receiving something to drink without cost be important? What do you believe is the significance of “He who overcomes” in this passage? Who would that be?

Who is put in the fiery lake of burning sulphur? Why is that called “the second death”?

21:9-16 How does John describe how New Jerusalem looks? Why would the things he mentions be important to him?

21:17-21 John discovers the New Jerusalem is shaped like a 1400 mile cube. How does this image of the city impress you? How does John's descriptions of the beauty of the city impress you?

If you were describing your ideal vision of a city, what would be some of the things you would include in your description?

21:22-27 What is the significance of the absence of a temple? How does the city receive its light?

What do you make of the idea that there will be nations and kings on earth during this time?

How does knowing the gates will not be shut impress you? Who is able to enter the city?

22:1-5 What do you think is the significance of the "river of life" and the "tree of life"? What do you notice about the types of crops produced by the tree of life?

Whose thrones are in the city? Why is it important that we will see his face and have his name on our foreheads?

What about being in the New Jerusalem do you look forward to the most? What questions do you have about what it will be like?

**Prayer Time:**

Share with your group those for whom you are praying not to miss being in the New Jerusalem. Pray together for these persons.



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***Revelation 19:11-16***

***"The King is  
Coming!"***

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