

GOD'S PROMISE: JESUS WILL RETURN

(Review) Mark 16:9 & Acts 1:3, 9-11 & Luke 24:50-51

Mark 16:9 Jesus became alive again early on Sunday. Acts 1:3 For 40 days, Jesus appeared to his disciples. He proved many times that he was alive again. Luke 24:50 Then, Jesus took his disciples outside Jerusalem. 51 And God took Jesus up into heaven.

Acts 1:9 A cloud hid Jesus. And the disciples could not see Jesus. 10 They were looking up into the sky. Suddenly two angels stood beside the disciples. 11 The angels said to the disciples, "Why are you looking into the sky? God took Jesus up into heaven – and Jesus will come back in the same way."

Matthew 24:27-30 & 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17 & Daniel 12:2

Matthew 24:27 When Jesus comes back, everyone will see it – it will be like lightning. You can see lightning across the whole sky. 30 All the nations of the earth will see Jesus coming on the clouds of the sky, with power and great glory – and all the nations will cry and be very sad.

1 Thessalonians 4:16 Jesus will come down from heaven. People who believe in Jesus will go up to meet Jesus – first, dead people will become alive again. They will go up to meet Jesus. 17 Next, people who are living on earth will meet Jesus in the clouds. So everyone who believes in Jesus will be with Jesus forever.

Daniel 12:2 There are many, many people who have died [since the beginning of the world]. They are buried in the ground. They will wake up. Some people will receive eternal life. Some people will receive shame and scorn forever.

Matthew 24:36-44 & Acts 2:27-40 & 2 Peter 3:4-15

Matthew 24:36 No one knows when this will happen. Angels do not know. Jesus does not know. Only God the Father knows when it will happen. 42 So, you must always watch. You do not know when Jesus will come. 44 You must be ready. Jesus will come when you don't expect it.

Acts 2:37 So what should we do? 38 Everyone must believe in Jesus – and repent – and be baptized. Then God will forgive your sins – and God will give you his Holy Spirit. 39 This promise is for you and for your children! This promise is for everyone God calls to come to Jesus. 40 [So] save yourselves!

2 Peter 3:4 God promised that Jesus will come back. But, some scoffers say, "When will Jesus come? Every day is the same. Every day has been the same from the beginning of the world."

8But **remember** this: **For** God, 1 day is like 1000 years, and 1000 years is like 1 day.
 9God is not **slow** to **keep** his **promise**. God is **patient** with you. He doesn't **want** to **destroy** you. He wants everyone to repent. 15So, God is patient **because** he wants to save you.

2 Peter 3:10But **God's Great Day** will come **suddenly**. 12**Fire** will destroy the heavens and the earth – and everything in it. 13But God promised to make a **New** Heaven and New Earth – so we **look forward to** it!

A Prophecy About the New Earth

Revelation 21:1-5

21:1Then I saw a New Heaven and a New Earth. 3Then God will **live** with people on the New Earth – and they will be God's people. And God will be their God. 4God will **wipe** every **tear** from their **eyes**. There will be no **death**, no **crying**, no **pain**. All the **old** things are **gone**. 5God said, "I am making everything new!"

A Prophecy About Jesus

Philippians 2:9-11

2:9God the Father **raised** Jesus to the **highest** place. God gave Jesus the highest **name**. 10So everyone in heaven and on earth will **hear** Jesus' name – and everyone must **bow**. 11And everyone must say: Jesus Christ is **Lord**.

And God the Father will **get** the **glory**.

CONTENT QUESTIONS**DISCUSSION QUESTION**

- What will Jesus do in the **future** – what did the angels say? (Acts 1:11)
- Who will see Jesus (when he comes back)? (Matthew 24:27, 30)
- Why will everyone see Jesus? (verse 27)
- **How** will all the nations **feel** when Jesus comes back? (verse 30)
 - Will they be **happy** to see Jesus?

Why do you think the nations will cry and be very sad?

Who do you think will be happy when Jesus comes back?

- Who will go up to meet Jesus (when he comes back)? (1 Thessalonians 4:16)
- Who will become alive again first? Who will meet Jesus first? (verse 16)
- Who will meet Jesus next? (verse 17)
- Who will live with Jesus forever? (verse 17)
- Do we know when Jesus will come back? (Matthew 24:36)
- Who knows when Jesus will come back? (verse 36)
 - So what must we do? (verse 42)
 - How can we be ready when Jesus comes back? (Acts 2:38)
 - If we believe in Jesus, repent and are baptized, what will God do? (verse 38)
 - Is God's promise only for us? Who **else** is God's promise for? (verse 39)

How can our **belief in God** help our children?

- How does God think about **time**? (2 Peter 3:8)
- Why is God waiting to make a New Earth? Why hasn't Jesus come **yet**? (verses 9 & 15)
- What will happen to this old earth and old heaven? (2 Peter 3:12)
- What will God make (after he destroys the old heaven and old earth)? (2 Peter 3:13)
- Where will God live? (Revelation 21:3)

Why do you think God wants to live with his people?

- What will God do on the New Earth for his people? (Revelation 21:3-5)

What do you like **best** about the New Earth?

promise	約束
return	戻る
become - became - became	になる、なる
alive again (be resurrected)	再び生きる (復活する)
early	早めに、(朝) 早く
appear	現れる
disciple	弟子
prove	証拠をあげる
many	多くの、大勢の
times	倍、回
then	そして、その場合、その時、そしたら
take - took - taken	連れていく、取る、受け取る、持っていく、奪う
outside	外
Jerusalem	エルサレム (イスラエルの都)
heaven	天国
cloud	雲
hide - hid - hidden	隠す
sky	空
angel	天使
beside	側に
why	なぜ、どうして
come back	戻ってくる
same way	同じ有り様、同じように
everyone	皆
like	の様に、に似てる
lightning	稲妻
across	端から端へ
whole	全体
all	すべて

nation	国
earth	地、地球
power	力
glory	栄光
cry	泣く、叫ぶ、泣き声、叫び声
very	非常に
sad	悲しい
believe	信じる
meet - met - met	会う、出会う、待ち合わせる、出迎える
first	第一、一番目、最初、まず、初めに、最初の
dead	死んでいる
next	次に
living	生きる
forever	永遠に
since	以来
beginning	初め、始まり
world	世、世界
bury	葬る、埋める
ground	土
wake up	起きる
eternal life	永遠の命
shame	恥
scorn	とがめ
no one	誰一人いない、誰も～ない、ひとりも～ない
know - knew - known	知る
when	その時、という時に、いつ
happen	起こる
only	ただ、のみ
God the Father	父なる神
must	しなければならない
always	いつも
watch	見張る

ready	用意している
expect	期待する
should	すべき、起こるべき
repent	悔い改める
baptize	洗礼（を受ける）
forgive - forgave - forgiven	赦す
sin	悪い考え、態度、言葉、行い – 罪、罪を犯す
Holy Spirit	聖霊
child (1 child / 2 children)	子ども
call	招く
save	救う
yourself / yourselves	あなた自身・あなた方自身
scoffer	嘲る者
remember	思い出しなさい
for	にとって
slow	遅い
keep a promise	約束を守る
patient	忍耐する
want	望む、欲しがる
destroy	滅ぼす
because	～のため、～のせい、なぜなら
God's Great Day	神の大いなる日（神の勝利、裁き、報いの時）
suddenly	突然、急に
fire	火
new	新しい
look forward to	待ち望む、楽しみにする
prophecy	預言
about	について、約
live	生きる、住む

wipe	吹く、拭う
tear	涙
eye	目
death	死
crying	泣き
pain	痛み
old - older - oldest	古い・より古い・最も古い、年寄り、年を取った、昔、～歳、上の（子供）
go - went - gone	過ぎ去った、いなくなった
raise	上げる、持ち上げる
high / higher / highest	高い、より高い、最も高い
name	名前
hear - heard - heard	聞く、聞こえる [pronunciation = heer - hrd - hrd]
bow	ひれ伏す
Lord	主
get - got - gotten	受ける
glory	栄光

future	将来、未来
how	どう、どのくらい
feel - felt - felt	感じる
happy	嬉しい、喜ぶ、幸せだ
else	他に
belief	信じること、信仰
help	助ける、助け
time	時間
yet	まだ
best (good / better / best)	最も良い