Lesson Twenty

THE RETURN OF CHRIST IN GLORY

1. THE PREDICTION OF CHRIST’S RETURN.

Christ’s glorious advent is taught throughout the whole Bible.

O.T. - LAW, Num. 24:17; PSALMS, Psalm 96:12-13; PROPHETS, Zech.14:1-5.

N.T. – GOSPELS, Matt.16:27; EPISTLES, II Thess. 1:7-10; Rev. 1:7

1. THE WORLD’S CONDITIONS WHEN CHRIST RETURNS.
2. THE DEVIL IN UNRESTRAINED AUTHORITY.

 Rev. 12:9, 12; “the devil … cast into the earth … wrath.”

II Thess. 2:9, Satan empowers his agents to control the world. Rev.13:15-17.

1. THE NATIONS IN OPEN REBELLION.

Rev. 13:3-4, “all the world … wondered after the beast.”

Rev. 19:19, “kings of the earth … gathered against him.”

1. ISRAEL IN A DESPERATE CONDITION.

Zech. 14:2. All nations gathered against Jerusalem.

1. THE MANNER IN WHICH CHRIST WILL RETURN.
2. Personally, Acts 1:11 “this same Jesus … shall come.”
3. Bodily, Zech. 14:4 “His feet shall stand on the mount.”
4. Visibly, Rev. 1:7 “Every eye shall see Him.”
5. Suddenly, Matt. 24:27 “As the lightning cometh …”
6. Unexpectedly, Matt. 24:44 “in such an hour ye think not.”
7. To Mount of Olives, Zech. 14:4 “shall stand … on mount of Olives.”
8. In clouds, Matt. 26:64 “coming in the clouds of heaven.”
9. In glory, Matt. 16:27 “shall come in glory.”
10. In power, Matt. 24:30 “coming with power.”
11. In fire, II Thess. 1:7-8 “revealed … in flaming fire.”
12. With angels, II Thess. 1:7 “with His mighty angels.”
13. With saints, Jude 14 “with ten thousands of His saints.”
14. THE RESULTS OF CHRIST’S RETURN.
15. FOR SATAN AND HIS AGENTS:

Rev. 19:20, Beast and false prophets. Rev. 20:1-3, Satan; Rev. 20:10

1. FOR THE NATIONS:

Matt. 25:31-34, 41. “The nations judged at his coming.”

Rev. 19:15-16 “He shall rule them with a rod of iron.”

1. FOR ISRAEL: Deliverance, salvation, restoration.

Rom. 11:26 “and so all Israel shall be saved.”

Zech. 13:1 “in that day … a fountain … for sin.”

Psalm 102:16 “The Lord shall build up Zion.”

1. FOR HIS SAINTS:

Col.3:4 “WE shall appear with Him in glory.”

II Tim. 2:12 “We shall also reign with Him.” Rev. 3:21

1. FOR THE EARTH:

Delivered from the curse. Acts 3:20-21; Rom. 8:21, 22.

Restored to Edenic beauty. Isa. 11:6-9 and 35:1-2