

The End Series

## “The End”

*“Look, I am coming soon, bringing my reward with me to repay all people according to their deeds. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.”*

Revelation 22:12-13 (NLT)

### What’s going to happen at the End?

#### **The judgment seat of Christ.**

*Then at the resurrection of the righteous, God will reward you for inviting those who could not repay you.”*

Luke 14:14 (NLT)

*For we must all stand before Christ to be judged. We will each receive whatever we deserve for the good or evil we have done in this earthly body.*

2 Corinthians 5:10 (NLT)

- **Incorruptible crown** (1 Cor 9:24-27)
- **Crown of rejoicing** (1 Thes 2:19-20)
- **Crown of righteousness** (2 Tim 4:8)
- **Crown of glory** (1 Peter 5:2-5)
- **Crown of life.** (James 1:12)

### What will Heaven be like?

#### **God will establish a new heaven & a new earth.**

*Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the old heaven and the old earth had disappeared. And the sea was also gone. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven like a bride beautifully dressed for her husband.*

Revelation 21:1-2 (NLT)

### **You will live with God forever.**

*I heard a loud shout from the throne, saying, “Look, God’s home is now among his people! He will live with them, and they will be his people. God himself will be with them.*

Revelation 21:3 (NLT)

### **You will never suffer again.**

*He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there will be no more death or sorrow or crying or pain. All these things are gone forever.”*

*And the one sitting on the throne said, “Look, I am making everything new!” And then he said to me, “Write this down, for what I tell you is trustworthy and true.”*

Revelation 21:4-5 (NLT)

## SO WHAT?

### **Order of End Events**

- \_\_\_ **Christ returns** (John 14:3, 1 Thes 4:14, 2 Thes 2:1-2)
- \_\_\_ **Dead in Christ rise** (1 Thes 4:16, 1 Cor 15:51-52)
- \_\_\_ **Christians raptured** ( 1 Thes 4:17)
- \_\_\_ **Believers rewarded** (2 Cor 5:10, Luke 14:14)
- \_\_\_ **7-year tribulation** (Rev 7:14)
- \_\_\_ **Battle of Armageddon** (Rev 16:19)
- \_\_\_ **Satan is thrown into the bottomless pit** (rev 20:2)
- \_\_\_ **Christ returns to earth for 1000 year reign** (Rev 20:1-3)
- \_\_\_ **Resurrection of the Dead** (Rev 20:5)
- \_\_\_ **Great White Throne Judgment** (Rev 20:11-15)

### **No-one knows.**

*“You can enter God’s Kingdom only through the narrow gate. The highway to hell is broad, and its gate is wide for the many who choose that way. But the gateway to life is very narrow and the road is difficult, and only a few ever find it.*

Matthew 7:13-14 (NLT)

## What is going to happen at the very end?

### **The great white throne judgment.**

*And I saw a great white throne and the one sitting on it. The earth and sky fled from his presence, but they found no place to hide. I saw the dead, both great and small, standing before God's throne. And the books were opened, including the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to what they had done, as recorded in the books. The sea gave up its dead, and death and the grave gave up their dead. And all were judged according to their deeds. Then death and the grave were thrown into the lake of fire. This lake of fire is the second death. And anyone whose name was not found recorded in the Book of Life was thrown into the lake of fire.*

Revelation 20:11-15 (NLT)

**That's not fair.**

**It's not fair, that Jesus would die for me.**

### **Growth Group Questions**

(Questions and Scriptures for further study)

1. Have you ever had to appear before a judge? What did that feel like?
2. What is your vision of what Heaven will be like?
3. Re-read 2 Corinthians 5:10. How would you feel standing before God and being rewarded for your works on earth?
4. Re-read Revelation 21:1-2. What is the most beautiful place you have ever been to on earth?
5. Re-read Revelation 21:4-5. What would earth be like if there was no sin, or death, or pain, or evil?

What pain do you wish God would bring an end to right now?

6. Re-read Matthew 7:13-14. Why do you think so many people think the gateway to life is broad?

Why do you think so many people take the road that is broad that leads to destruction?

7. Knowing that the 2 judgments are coming what will you do differently today?