



STORY

Jesus Talks About the Signs and the Day of His Second Coming - Luke 21, Matt. 25

1/8/04

TEACHER PRAYER

Lord, we will all die and meet our Judge and Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. When believers die, you take their souls into your bosom. O Christ, grant this to us and all believers. Amen.

VOCABULARY

Kingdom - nation, country

Famine - not enough food to eat

Pestilence - sickness, disease, plague

Adversaries - enemies

Perplexity - confused, mixed up

Apprehensive - afraid

This generation - from Christ until now (including us)

Dissipation - scattered aimlessly

OUTER AIM

Christ gives us the signs and terms of His second coming to judge the earth.

INNER AIM

By parables, Christ shows that faith (the talents, sheep) will be the only thing that will let us and you enter heaven.

BACKGROUND

Because Jesus had predicted the distraction of the beautiful temple of God's people, the disciples asked when would this take place and what would be the signs accompanying it. That was answered by the two parables, the talents, the sheep and the goats, and the various signs in heaven and earth that would precede His second coming.

STUDENT PRAYER

Lo, O Lord, help us to make proper use of the signs You gave us concerning Your second coming to judge the world. Help us be prepared for that day by keeping us constantly in Your Word so that we, too, may enter the gates of Heaven with all believers. Amen.

PRESENTATION

Jesus gives us these stories so that we may be better prepared for Judgment Day. When we look at the signs given us in these various parts; namely, wars of nation against nation, earthquakes, famines, and pestilence like the flu, Aids, polio, cancer. All of these have taken place in the world at one time or another in history. As these signs have been fulfilled, may we the more take warning of the Judgment Day that is to come soon.

Everything in this world will pass away by fire. Only God's Words will endure through this world and into eternity. Christ predicts a great persecution of believers in those last days and many wars throughout the

world as there are today. These serve as a warning to us to be prepared for Judgment Day always. That is why we must carry faith and the Word of God in our hearts always so that like the sheep and the two faithful servants we, too, may enter heaven with Christ on Judgment Day.

Because we knew and confessed Christ, God, the Father, will also know and confess us. May Christ be our badge of honor all our lives so we, too, enter eternal bliss and happiness.

APPLICATION

We can be prepared for Judgment Day by hearing, reading, and studying God's Word every day.

PASSAGES

These passages can be assigned as memory work or simply discussed in class as to how they fit the lesson.

II Tim 2:11-12 - This is a faithful saying: For if we died with Him, We shall also live with Him. If we endure, We shall also reign with Him. If we deny Him, He also will deny us.

Heb 12:2-3 - looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. For consider Him who endured such hostility from sinners against Himself, lest you become weary and discouraged in your souls.

Mark 4:25 - For whoever has, to him more will be given; but whoever does not have, even what he has will be taken away from him.

I Thes. 4:16 - For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first.

II Cor 5:10 - For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.

HYMN CHOICES

And Will The Judgment Descend - TLH #610

The Day Is Surely Drawing Near - TLH #611

That Day Of Wrath, That Dreadful Day - TLH #612

Jesus Speaks of His Second Coming

Luke 21:25-36; Matthew 25:31-46



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The Story

A few days before Jesus died on the cross He talked to His disciples. He told them about the next time He would come. That day will be called Judgment Day. Jesus said in the Bible in the book of Luke, "There will be signs in the sun, moon, and stars. People will be afraid, for the powers of heaven will be shaken. Then you will see the Son of Man (*Jesus*) coming in a cloud with power and great glory. Be glad because you will then go to heaven."

To explain how to look for signs of Judgment Day Jesus told this parable. A parable is an earthly story about heaven. Jesus said, "Look at all the trees. When they have buds on their branches, you see and know that summer is near. "

When we see the signs of the end times we will know that Judgment Day is near.

Jesus also gave us these words to remember. "Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away. Look out so that

Judgment Day does not come on you as a surprise. Watch and pray always. One day you, and all people, will stand before the Son of Man."

Jesus also told His disciples and us about Judgment Day in the Bible in the book of Matthew. "When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another. He will set the believers on His right hand and say, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.'"

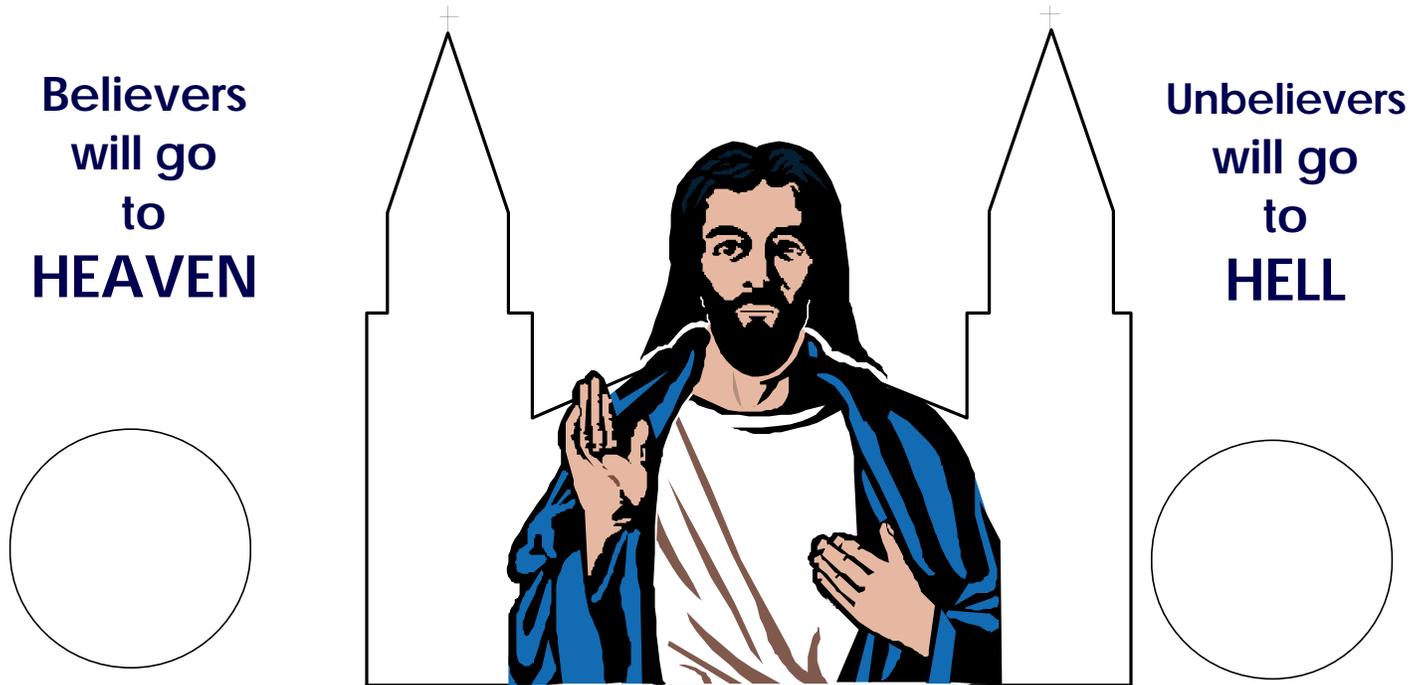
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Activity One - Jesus will be sitting on the judgment seat in heaven.

- ▶ Color and decorate the throne of Jesus.
- ▶ Make a smiling face in the circle at Jesus's raised right hand to show believers.
- ▶ Make a sad face in the circle at Jesus's left hand to show unbelievers.
- ▶ Write your name under the smiling face of believers who will go to heaven.



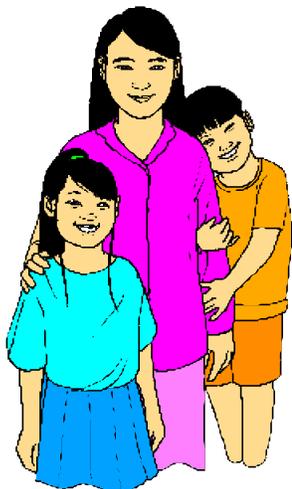
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Passage

Luke 21:36 - "Watch therefore, and pray always..."

***The Holy Bible tells us to watch for signs of Judgment Day
and to be prepared.***

Activity Two - Connect the dotted lines to see how we can be prepared for Judgment Day.



Hymn & Prayer - TLH #446 v. 6

Therefore let us watch and pray,
Knowing He will hear us
As we see from day to day
Dangers ever near us,
And the end doth impend -
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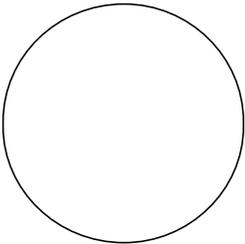
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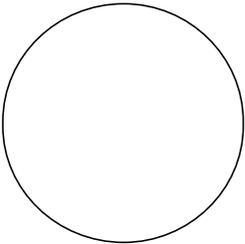
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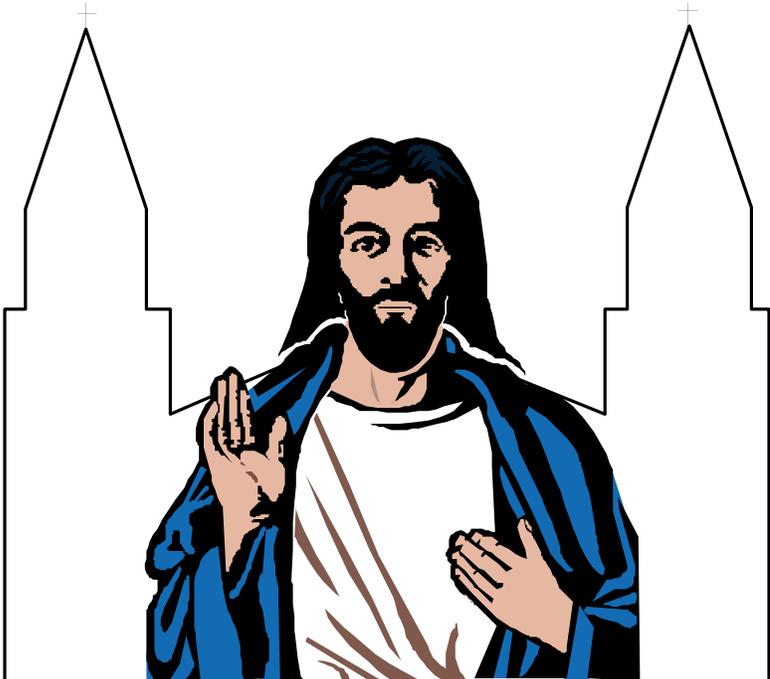
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Passages

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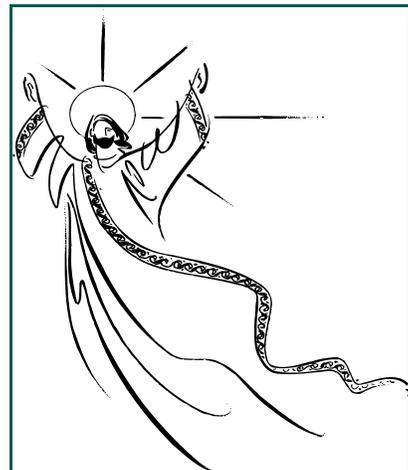
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When has Christ promised to come again?
Do we know what it will be like when He comes?
What should we do while we're waiting for Him to come?
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Prayer - TLH #446 v. 1, 5

Rise, my soul, to watch and pray, from thy sleep awaken;
Be not by the evil day unawares o'ertaken.
For the Foe, well we know, oft his harvest reapeth
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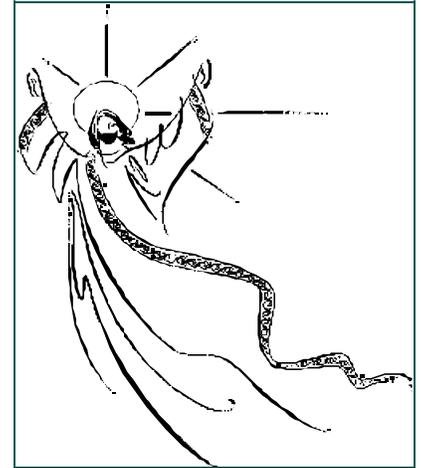
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Amen.