How Shall We Stand?

0. A. Newlin, D.D., tells a story of a Hungarian king, who, finding himself on a certain day depressed and unhappy, sent for his brother, a good-natured but rather indifferent prince. To him the king said: "I am a great sinner and fear to meet God." Here was a king facing Job's question, "What shall I do when God rises up? And when He visits, what shall I answer Him?" But the prince only laughed at him and treated the matter as a joke, just as some of you are doing now. This did not serve to relieve the royal unhappiness. When you get a vision of your guilt before God, you want help; and your friends may laugh at your seriousness, but that will never answer the question.

It was a custom in Hungary at that time that if the executioner at any time sounded a trumpet before a man's door, it was a signal that he was to be led forth to execution. The king sent the executioner in the dead of night to sound the fatal blast before his brother's door. The prince, awaking from sleep, realized its awful import. Quickly dressing, he stepped to the door and was seized by the executioner, and dragged pale and trembling into the king's presence. In an agony of terror he fell upon his knees before his brother and begged to know in what way he had offended him. "My brother," answered the king, "if the sight of a human executioner is so terrible to you, shall not I, having grievously offended God fear to be brought before the judgment seat of Christ?" The sense of sin makes us all fear to face God. We are reminded in the Bible that "it is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God."

Mercy Still Lingers

Let us pause to assure all who may chance to read these lines, but who are still outside the ark of safety, that there is still opportunity for them to send their sins into the sanctuary in heaven, and have them blotted out for ever. In the earthly sanctuary the priest continued his work of mediation for sinners until he finally-left the most holy place on the day of atonement. So it is with Jesus.

Jesus still offers His blood for repentant sinners who come to Him. His hands are outstretched. He is still the Mediator between God and man, holding in His hands the golden censer of mediation; and His gracious words still ring in sinners: ears: "Him that comes to Me I will in no wise cast out.' John 6: 37. Thank God, the door to the mercy seat is still ajar! There is still mercy and pardon for the vilest sinner who in penitence and faith will accept Jesus as his Savior and Friend.

Oh, then, will you not come to Him now? Why linger? Why imperil your soul by rejecting His offer of mercy. To you today is this loving message sent:

"Repent, and turn yourselves from all your transgressions; so iniquity shall not be your ruin. Cast away from you all your transgressions, whereby you have transgressed; and make you a new heart and a new spirit: for why will you die, 0 house of Israel?" Ezekiel 18: 30, 31.

24. The Second Coming of Christ

The Savior's coming will be literal, personal, visible, and worldwide. When He returns, the righteous dead will be resurrected, and together with the righteous living will be glorified and taken to heaven, but the unrighteous will die. The almost complete fulfillment of most lines of prophecy, together with the present condition of the world, indicates that Christ's coming is imminent. The time of that event has not been revealed, and we are therefore exhorted to be ready at all times. (Titus 2:13; John 14: 1-3; Acts 1:9-11; 1 Thessalonians 4:16, 17; 1 Corinthians 15:51-54; 2 Thessalonians 2:8; Matthew 24; Mark 13; Luke 21; 2 Timothy 3:1-5; Joel 3:9-16; Hebrews 9:28.)

1. Promises Of The Second Coming

CHRIST John 14:3, Rev 22:20 I will come again. Behold the LORD comes. Enoch Jude 14 Job Job 19:25-27 I shall see God. David He comes to judge the Earth. 1 Chron 16:33 Isaiah Is 40:10 His reward is with Him. Daniel Daniel 2:44, 7:15 An everlasting kingdom. The Lord my God shall come. Zechariah Zech 14:5 Shall burn as an oven. Malachi Mal 3:1-3, 4:1-3 Matthew Matt 16:27 For the Son of man shall come. They shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds. Mark Mark 13:26 Luke Luke 9:26 Come in His Father's glory. Rev 1:7, John 14:1-3 He comes in the clouds and all eyes shall see Him. John Heb 10:37, 1 Thess 4:16 The Lord shall descend with a shout. Paul The Earth shall melt with fervent heat. Peter 2 Peter 3:10 Jude 14 With 10,000's of His saints. Jude ANGELS Acts 1:11 This same Jesus.

2. Signs Of His Coming

Matthew	24:5,11,23,24	False Christs		
	24:6,7	Wars and rumors of wars		
	24:37-39	As in the days of Noah		
Mark	13:24-30	False Christs, False prop	hets	
		Wars, Earthquakes, fami	nes, troubles	
		Counterfeit miracles		
Luke	17:26,27	As in the days of Noah		
	17:28-32	As Sodom and Gomorral	h	
	21:11	Earthquakes, famines, di	sease	
	21:25,26	Wars, revolutions, perple		
2 Thessalonians	s 2:3	Rise of the Roman Catho	olic Church	
1 Timothy	4:1-3	False doctrines, Spiritualism and doctrines of demons		
2 Timothy	3:1-13			
		Perilous times	Men lovers of self	
		Covetous	Boasters	
		Proud	Blasphemers	
		Disobedient to parents	Unthankful	
		Unholy	Without natural affection	
		Truce breakers	False accusers	
		Incontinent	Fierce	
		Traitors	Despises of those that are good	
		Heady	Lovers of pleasure more than God	
		High minded	Pretending to be Godly but are not	
		Not knowing truth	Reject truth of God	
		Corrupt minds Reprobates from the faith		
		Evil seducers	Getting worse every day	
James	5:1-8	Labor troubles - strikes		
2 Peter	3:3-12	Scoffers rejecting creation	onism & flood account	
Jude	14-18	Evil speech		
Revelation	6:12-17	Signs in the heavens		
	13:1-18	Rise in power of the Catholic Church		

3. Powerful And Glorious

Matthew	13:40-43	Furnace of fire
	16:27	Glory of His Father and the angels
	24:27-30	Lightning, every one will see it
	25:31	Glory of God and the angels
	26:64	See Him in the clouds of heaven
Mark	8:38	Comes with the glory of God the Father
	13:26	Coming with power and great glory
	14:62	Coming in the clouds of heaven
Luke	9:26	Glory of the Father and the angels
	17:24	As lightning in heaven
	17:26-30	Like the flood that destroyed them all
	21:25-28	See Jesus in the clouds of heaven
Colossians	3:4	He shall appear
1 Thessalonians	4:16	Shout, trumpet, resurrection
2 Thessalonians	1:7,8	Revealed in heaven, flaming fire
2 Timothy	4:7,8	Love his appearing
Titus	2:13	Glorious appearing
Hebrews	9:28	He shall appear
1 Peter	1:7	Appearing of Jesus Christ
2 Peter	1:16	Power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ
1 John	3:2	We shall see Him
Jude	1:14,15	Comes to judge the earth
Revelation	1:7	All eyes shall see Him
	6:15-17	Face of Him who sits on the Throne
	14:14	Coming in the clouds of heaven
	19:11-16	Comes to destroy the wicked

4. He Comes Visibly

Job	19:25,26	I shall see God
Psalm	50:3	Devouring fire
Isaiah	40:5	All flesh shall see His glory
Nahum	1:5	The earth will burn at His presence
Matthew	24:30	They shall see Him coming the clouds of heaven
Mark	13:26	Coming with power and glory
	14:62	See Him coming in the clouds of heaven
Luke	17:26-30	Fire and brimstone coming down out of heaven
	21:27	See Him coming in a cloud
Acts	1:9-11	See Him in the clouds of heaven
1 Corinthians	15:52	Resurrection from the dead
Philippians	3:20	Looking for Christ to come in the heavens
1 Thessalonians	4:17	Meet the Lord in the clouds
Titus	2:13	Glorious appearing of Christ
2 Peter	3:10	The heavens shall pass away and earth shall melt
1 John	3:2	We shall see Him as He is
Revelation	1:7	All eyes shall see Him
	14:14	Coming in the clouds of heaven
	19:11-16	Destroy the armies of the earth

5. He Comes Audibly

Psalm	50:3	God shall not keep silent
Isaiah	27:3	The great trumpet shall blow
Zephaniah	1:14-16	Trumpet and voice of God
Luke	17:26-30	Noah's flood, Sodom and Gomorrah
1 Corinthians	15:52	The trumpet shall sound
1 Thessalonians	4:16	Voice of the archangel, trumpet of God
2 Peter	3:10	Heavens will pass away with a great noise

6. Angels Come With Christ

Zechariah	14:5	Come with all his saints
Matthew	16:27	Come with His angels
	25:31	All the holy angels with Him
Mark	13:27	He shall send His angels
Luke	9:26	The glory of the holy angels

7. Reward The Righteous

Psalm	50:3,5	Gather My saints together
	58:11	A reward for the righteous
Isaiah	40:10	His reward is with Him
	62:11	His reward is with Him
Matthew	13:37-50	The harvest at the end of the world
	16:27	He shall reward every man according to His works
	24:30,31	Gather together His elect
	25:31-34	Inherit the kingdom of God
Mark	13:27	Gather together His elect
John	5:25-29	Resurrection of life
	6:39,40,44,54	Raised from the grave
	13:36	Shall follow Jesus to heaven
	14:1-3,28	Many mansions in heaven
1 Corinthians	15:51-53	Put on immortality
1 Thessalonians	4:16,17	Raised to eternal immortality
1 Peter	1:4,5,7	Crown of eternal life
	4:13	Share in His eternal glory
	5:4	Receive a crown of glory
2 Peter	3:10-13	A New Heavens and a New Earth
1 John	3:2	We shall be like Him
Revelation	14:14	Harvest the earth
	22:12	Reward every man according to his work

8. Destroy The Wicked

Psalm	37:38	Transgressors shall be destroyed together
	68:2	The wicked perish
	91:8	Reward of the wicked

Isaiah	13:9-11 26:21 66:15-17	Punish the wicked Punish the inhabitants of the earth Shall be slain
Matthew	3:7	The wrath to come
Luke	3:7	The wrath to come
	17:26-30	As in the days of Noah and Sodom & Gomorrah
	20:16	Destroy the evil doers
1 Thessalonians	5:3	Sudden destruction
2 Thessalonians	2:8	Destroy with the brightness of His coming

9. Is The Second Coming Invisible?

Chariots

Psalm 104:3 Clouds of heaven Psalm 68:17 Angels - Sinai 2 Kings 2:11 Flaming Chariots

Isaiah 66:15-17 Flaming Sword (Revelation19:11-16)

Clouds

Exodus

16:10 Visible to human eye

19:9-16 Thunder, lightning, fire, smoke, earthquake

20:18 Exceedingly loud 24:15,16 Devouring fire

Lightning

Psalm 144:6 Destroys the wicked Zech 9:14 Destroys the wicked Matt 24:27 From the east to the west

Matt 28:3 Blinding light

Luke 17:24 Lights up the whole sky Exod 19:16-25 Exceedingly loud and bright

Psalm 77:18 Light up the whole planet and shake it

Psalm 97:4 Burns His enemies to death

Rev 16:18 Devastates the Earth

Thunder

Exodus 9:23,29 Plague of death Revelation 16:18 Seventh plague Job 40:9 The voice of God Exodus 20:18 Exceedingly loud

Psalm 78:48 Kills and destroys wicked

Trumpets

Zech 9:14 Powerful like lightning Exod 19:13-19 Exceedingly loud Is 27:1,13 Heard in all the countries Zeph 1:14-16 Heard in all the cities

10. The Non-Invisible Rapture

Isaiah	26:19-21	Righteous and wicked rewarded at the End of The World
Matthew	13:36-42	Harvest - The End of the world.
	16:27	Everyone rewarded at once (Not in two seperate phases).
	24:27-31	All eyes see him in CLOUDS at the harvest of the righteous.
	25:31-46	Everyone rewarded at once. Wicked die immediately.
	26:64	Coming in the CLOUDS .
Mark	13:26,27	All eyes will see Him at the harvest.
	14:62	Coming in the CLOUDS.
Luke	24:37-43	Jesus rose with a real body - not spirit
John	2:19-22	Jesus rose and will return in a visible body.
	6:39,40,44,54	Raised from the grave at the Last Day not 7 years before.
	11:24	Resurrection at the Last Day not 7 years before.
	12:48	Last Day - day of judgment not 7 years before.
Acts	1:9-11	Come in the CLOUDS .
1 Thessalonians	4:16,17	Meet in CLOUDS.
2 Thessalonians	1:7-10	Righteous and wicked rewarded at once.
Hebrews	9:28	Shall openly appear at the harvest of the righteous.
Revelation	1:7	Comes in the CLOUDS - All EYES WILL SEE HIM Harvest
	14:14-16	In The CLOUDS - HARVEST OF THE RIGHTEOUS.
	20:5,6	Resurrection begins the 1,000 years.
	22:12	Everyone is rewarded at once.

25. Death and Resurrection

The wages of sin is death. But God, who alone is immortal, will grant eternal life to His redeemed. Until that day death is an unconscious state for all people. When Christ, who is our life, appears, the resurrected righteous and the living righteous will be glorified and caught up to meet their Lord. The second resurrection, the resurrection of the unrighteous, will take place a thousand years later. (1 Timothy 6:15, 16; Romans 6:23; 1 Corinthians 15:51-54; Ecclesiastes 9:5,6; Psalm 146:4; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17; Romans 8: 35-39; John 5:28, 29; Revelation 20:1-10; John5:24.)

1. State Of The Dead

Genesis	2:7	Man is a soul
Joshua	10:28,30,32	Souls can be killed
	10:35,37,39	Souls can be killed
Job	4:17	Man is mortal
	7:9, 10	Dead Vanish away, consumed
	14:12, 21	Dead have no knowledge
	17:3	Grave is the house of the dead
	27:3	Spirit is breath of life
Psalm	6:5	Dead have no thoughts
	30:9	Dead have no thoughts
	31:12	Dead have no mind
	31:17, 18	Cannot speak after death
	38:18	Dead have no thoughts
	71:30	Dead are in their graves
	78:39	Dead disintegrate and disappear
	88:4-6	Lying in the grave
	88:10-12	Dead have no thoughts
	89:48	Goes to the grave
	90:5, 6	Sleeping in the grave