

10-12-2025 Sunday Sermon Message  
Meditation of the Week: Psalm 91:1-16  
Text: Philippians 2:1-16

Title: **The life of a bride looking at the day of Christ (Rapture)**

The Holy Spirit revealed to the apostle Paul about the day of Christ. When he wrote to Titus, he testified, "**Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;**" (Titus 2:13).

He exhorted the Saints to prepare with the same heart as he did for the day in which he was living a spiritual life:

**"Who shall also confirm you unto the end, that ye may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

**<sup>9</sup> God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**<sup>10</sup> Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment."**

**(1 Corinthians 1:8-10)**

**"Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ: ...**

**... That ye may approve things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ.**

**<sup>11</sup> Being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ, unto the glory and praise of God. .... Holding forth the word of life; that I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I**

**have not run in vain, neither laboured in vain. (Philippians 1:6, 10, 11; 2:16)**

He also exhorted us to fully accomplish the salvation we received by faith in Jesus Christ and free grace, in fear and trembling:

**"Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling."(Philippians 2:12)**

When he says to achieve salvation completely, I do not mean to strive to be saved, but to look at the reward that we will receive on the day of Christ on the foundation of salvation received on the rock of Jesus Christ, and to build a house of gold, silver, and precious stones with fear and trembling.

Jesus said that no one can take away the salvation he received through him:

**"And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand.**

**<sup>29</sup> My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand."**  
**(John 10:28,29).**

The apostle Paul also testified in the Holy Spirit to the Saints in Rome about the eternal security of salvation:

**"Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth.**

**<sup>34</sup> Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of**

God, who also maketh intercession for us.

<sup>35</sup> Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

<sup>36</sup> As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.

<sup>37</sup> Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.

<sup>38</sup> For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,

<sup>39</sup> Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.”(Romans 8:33-39)

There is no record that in the time of the apostle Paul, there were Christians who had predetermined the day of rapture and waited for that day. That day is the day set by the Father, and we cannot and need to know when that day is. As the apostle Paul took to heart the words of exhortation to the saints who were waiting for the rapture, it is the preparation that the bride of Christ should do as the bride of Christ to repent and prepare ourselves so that there is nothing to reproach God wants until that day comes.

This led the apostle Paul to give a final exhortation to the members of the Thessalonian church who were waiting for the rapture:

<sup>14</sup> Now we exhort you, brethren, warn them that are unruly, comfort the feebleminded, support the weak, be patient toward all men.

<sup>15</sup> See that none render evil for evil unto any man; but ever follow that which is good, both among yourselves, and to all men.

<sup>16</sup> Rejoice evermore.

<sup>17</sup> Pray without ceasing.

<sup>18</sup> In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

<sup>19</sup> Quench not the Spirit.

<sup>20</sup> Despise not prophesyings.

<sup>21</sup> Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.

<sup>22</sup> Abstain from all appearance of evil.

<sup>23</sup> And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>24</sup> Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it.”(1 Thessalonians 5:14-24)

Meanwhile, the apostle Paul also testified to them about the times and seasons of the day of Christ:

“Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto him,

<sup>2</sup> That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand.

<sup>3</sup> Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;

<sup>4</sup> Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.”(2 Thessalonians 2:1-4)

Amen! Hallelujah!