

9-5-2021 Weekly Message

Meditation of the Week: Psalm 91:1-16

Text: Psalm 96:1-13

Sermon Title: **The Lord Jesus Christ will come to judge the earth in the midst of rejoicing of all creation**

All creatures that have suffered together because sins of man for six thousand years of human history have been patiently waiting for the day when God judges humans and sets them free. The Apostle Paul testified of the excruciating suffering these creatures have suffered:

“For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God.

20For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope, 21Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. 22For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. 23And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.” (Romans 8:19-23)

Long ago, the Holy Ghost, through the psalmist, prophesied of the scene where freedom and joy will finally come when the Lord Jesus Christ appears to judge the world.

At this time all the earth will sing a new song to the Lord and bless His name. He will receive blessings from the countless saints who have been saved by offering his own body shedding his own blood. The word “bless” is a song of blessing God, who has blessed us so far, must now receive blessings from the saved people and all creation.

At this time, God's people and children who have been saved must proclaim His miracles among all the Gentiles, because He is the only great and to be highly praised, and to be feared above all gods.

At this time, the families of all peoples will give the Lord glory and power, and the Lord will give the glory that is due to his name, and they will bring their offerings into his courts.

At this time the whole earth will fear in him, when he will finally judge the earth and establish his kingdom to rule among the Gentiles, and at last the wicked world shall be established and unshakable.

When the Lord Jesus Christ will rule over the whole earth, all the people shall preach the gospel of the kingdom, not the gospel of grace anymore, saying, "The LORD is reigning among the Gentiles."

Above all, when this time comes, all things that have been tormented by wicked men for six thousand years shall rejoice:

" 11Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof. 12Let the field be joyful, and all that is therein: then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice 13Before the LORD: for he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth: he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with his truth. ” (Psalm 96:11-13)

Wicked men from earth to heaven have destroyed places like Eden to be like hell for pursuing their own benefit. During the Great Tribulation, upon hearing from the twenty-four elders in heaven were saying of judgment against those who had damaged the earth, Apostle John testified:

“And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldst give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldst destroy them which destroy the earth.” (Revelation 11:18).

The prophet Daniel also saw in a vision and prophesied that God would execute judgment and establish his kingdom on the earth:

" I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire. 10A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened. 11I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spake: I beheld even till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame. 12As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away: yet their lives were prolonged for a season and time. 13I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him. 14And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed. ” (Daniel 7:9-14).

In order to confirm that the vision the prophet Daniel had seen would come true, Apostle John testifies same vision what he saw:

" Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.... And I turned to see the voice that spake with me. And being turned, I saw seven golden candlesticks; 13And in the midst of the seven candlesticks one like unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle. 14His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow; and his eyes were as a flame of fire; 15And his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and his voice as the sound of many waters. 16And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp twoedged sword: and his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength. 17And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not; I am the first and the last:..... And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.... And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. 12And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. 13And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. 14And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. 15And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.
"(Revelation 1:7, 12-17; 19: 20;20:11-15)

The vision Daniel saw and what Apostle John saw are the words of God that natural people cannot understand or believe. Only those who have received the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of God, that is, spiritual people, can understand when they hear the words of the Holy Ghost, and even believe as if they saw themselves.

God's will for the whole world is to destroy the sin and death forever through his death and resurrection. It is also to destroy the devil who brought sin and death into the world. To this, Apostles Paul and John clearly testified:

"Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil; 15And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage... He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil."(Hebrews 2:14-15; 1 John 3:8)

We need to think deeply about who is the most miserable person born into the world. No matter how wealthy and healthy he may be, longevity and great power, if he lacks one thing, he will be most miserable. Also, no matter how physically miserable he may be, if he achieves only one thing, he shall be the most blessed person. The first will be those who cannot resurrect after death, and the second will be those who are resurrected after death and enjoy eternal life.

Apostle Paul testified of the Resurrection:

" But some man will say, How are the dead raised up? and with what body do they come? 36Thou fool, that which thou sowest is not quickened, except it die: So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption: 43It is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power: 44It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body. Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, 52In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. 53For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality." (1 Corinthians 15:35,36,42,43,44,51-53).

Through his death and resurrection, Jesus Christ destroyed death that the enemy of the whole world. Apostle Paul testified saying, "**The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death.**" (1 Corinthians 15:26), and Apostle John saw that our enemy, death, fall into the lake of fire and perish forever. "**And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.**" (Revelation 20:14)
Amen! Hallelujah!