

THE GOSPEL AND THE COMING JUDGMENT 1/4/12

Our church has never been ashamed of the greatest scriptural, yet controversial truth, which reveals God's real intentions for the human race. Nor are we afraid to remain faithful to the controversial gospel message of repentance, water baptism and spirit baptism = salvation. Many are falling victim to the pressures of 'Political Correctness' and are more interested in promoting short-sighted religious/social issues, rather than spiritually beneficial truths.

God created life and he alone can preserve it... but as we will see, there are conditions that apply to us all.

GEN 2:7 And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul. *God created human life with a real purpose in mind...*

Death is certain... Judgment is also certain.

HEB 9:27 And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:

JOB 14:14 If a man die, shall he live again? all the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come.

Even Job knew there was a solution to the life/death problem.

The church exists for a good reason... The role of the church is to promote the promises and realities of life and death that God has ordained.

ROM 6:23 For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

MAR 16:15 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

God supports those who do his will...

MAR 16:20 And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following. *Personal confirmation...*

God prick those who hear the truth...

ACT 9:5 And he said, Who art thou, Lord? And the Lord said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest: *it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks.* *God will touch anyone who is prepared to listen.*

The return of Jesus Christ is also very near... It won't be good for most people, because it includes a world changing, fiery judgment. The last time such a major judgment occurred, God used water...

2PET 3:6 Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished: **7** But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.

*As a matter of interest let's look at a Carrington event... On September 1–2, 1859, the largest recorded geomagnetic storm on Earth occurred, known as the **Carrington Event**. Aurorae were seen around the world, most notably over the Caribbean; also noteworthy were those over the Rocky Mountains that were so bright that their glow awoke gold miners, who began preparing breakfast because they thought it was morning. Telegraph systems all over Europe and North America failed. Telegraph pylons threw sparks and telegraph paper spontaneously caught fire. Some telegraph systems appeared to continue to send and receive messages despite having been disconnected from their power supplies.*

If it happened today, everything dependent on computers or satellites risks failing (water, sewerage, power stations, traffic lights, nuclear power stations, food control and storage, all banking, fuel supplies, communications, hospitals, etc). This is a popular theme being presented as an end of the world prophecy for this year 2012. However, the bible explains a far worse incident than this... 2/3 of all human life extinguished, Great earthquakes and tsunamis that cause many islands to vanish, mountain ranges melting like wax, valleys ripping apart and filling with magna or flooding, huge hail storms, total world wide destruction... etc, etc.

The only solution is also found in Fire and Water...

MAT 3:11 I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire: