

## STUDY NUMBER SEVEN

"Here's What's Going to Happen" - 3:8-10

Key Verses: 3:9 The Lord of the promise is not delaying, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not desiring for any to perish but for all to make room for (come to) repentance.

### TEXT:

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Light At the end OF the tunnel !! What we have to look Forward to when we Finish

### INTRODUCTION:

We interrupt our regularly scheduled network broadcasting to bring you this special report:

"Just a brief moment ago we began receiving reports of the mysterious disappearance of thousands of people from various parts of the world."

it isn't far-fetched because All Three of the Major Networks will probably be in fact reporting continuously. To win in the game of life you must be constantly aware of two very important events: on events in the tribulation period !!

1. Your own physical death

2. The rapture of the church

its how you finish that counts . . .  
1 Cor. 15:51ff

"Behold, I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed. In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet, for the trumpet will sound and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. For this perishable must put on the imperishable,

The Majority Are so hardened + ill-prepared for either of these eventualities

Living Life like the Dallas Cowboys Play Football !!

word - "destruction" on Jewish  
Calendar . . .

the Burmese,  
**President  
Pondered  
Armageddon**

WASHINGTON (AP) —  
Five days before the terrorist  
bombing in Beirut that killed  
more than 200 American  
troops, President Reagan  
wondered aloud if the world  
wasn't approaching "Arma-  
geddon," according to a lob-  
byist called by the president.

Reagan, according to Dine,  
noted that the night before he  
had talked to parents of a Ma-  
rine killed in Beirut, then  
went on to say:

"You know, I turn back to  
your ancient prophets in the  
Old Testament and the signs  
foretelling Armageddon, and  
I find myself wondering if —  
if we're the generation that is  
going to see that come about.

"I don't know if you've  
noted any of those prophecies  
lately, but, believe me, they  
certainly describe the times  
we're going through."

Actually, it is in Revela-  
tion, the last book of the New  
Testament of the Bible, in  
which Armageddon is pro-  
phesied as the site of the fi-  
nal, destructive battle be-  
tween good and evil, to occur  
on Judgment Day.

Too Many Things Are Lining Up . . .

Wise Men Still Seek Him . . .



# Xec believes he holds all the cards

When everyone sees this is a terrific thing... they'll all say, 'This makes sense.'

— Arlen Lessin

Associated Press

**NEW YORK** — Arlen R. Lessin wants all those credit cards in your wallet or purse replaced with one "smart card."

Lessin considers himself the leading U.S. promoter of the smart card, which replaces today's magnetic stripe with a memory-storing microchip.

Listen to his pitch: "The card is a hand-held, portable, credit-card size computer. It has security. It has flexibility. It has intelligence that no other portable kind of transactional device does."

Lessin sees a world in 10 years where Americans use only one or two smart cards to shop, bank and receive social services. The card also could contain medical history, so that if you were rushed to an emergency room, doctors could slip your card into a machine for a print-out of your past health.

And as credit-card crime continues to rise, Lessin declares the smart card is nearly fraud-proof. MasterCard International Inc. estimated earlier this year that the bogus use of counterfeit cards represents at least \$40 million a year in lost revenue to credit-card issuers.

Lessin says the smart card, however, would have no personal identification on it and

## TECHNOLOGY

would require a new technology to charge a purchase. No longer would a paper receipt and an embossing machine — both of which have been misused to make counterfeits — be used.

Instead, the card would be inserted into a special terminal and the user would have to enter a code number before a transaction could take place. The code number would not appear on the card but would be electronically stored on the chip.

If you steal the card and try to use it, says Lessin, 46, the chip is programmed to give you only three chances to get the code right. And that, he says, "would be absolutely useless" to a thief.

Lessin is chairman and president of SmartCard International Inc., which has a U.S. license for card technology that was developed in France during the past 10 years.

His firm now is acquiring venture capital for building smart-card prototypes, and the exotic machines needed to read them, so potential users can test them for various applications. **To here !!**

A Chicago native who has also run his own communications and technology consulting firm for 10 years, Lessin acknowledges his firm and others must first show U.S. business it needs the card.

"This isn't a sitting marketplace," he says.

Please see EXEC on Page 2H.

Matt. 24:31 "And He will send forth His angels with a great trumpet and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of the sky to the other.

24:33 "even so you too, when you see all these things, recognize that He is near, right at the door."

24:34 "Truly I say to you, This generation will not pass away until all these things take place."

24:35 "Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words shall not pass away."



and this mortal must put on immortality. But when this perishable will have put on the imperishable and this mortal will have put on immortality, then will come about the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory."

Go Back to  
Quotes !! ←

1 Thess. 4:16,17

"For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ shall rise first. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air; and thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore, comfort one another with these words."

Hal Lindsey in his book The Late Great Planet Earth says, "Jesus said that this would indicate that he was at the door, ready to return. Then he said, 'Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place' (Matt. 24:34). What generation? Obviously, in context, the generation that would see the signs, chief among them the rebirth of Israel. A generation in the Bible is something like forty years. If this is a correct deduction, then within forty years or so of 1948 all these things could take place. Many scholars who have studied Bible prophecies all their lives believe that this is so."

IF SO WE ARE IN THE STRETCH HEAD'N FOR THE HOUSE AND

"How to Win the Game of Life: Written by One Who Did"

Ain't Miller  
Time either

1. In the first study we made the statement: "Here's What You Have." That is, everything pertaining to life and godliness.
2. Study #2 - "Here's What You Do" We looked together at the seven virtues outlined by the apostle.
3. Study #3 - "Here's How I'll Help" We talked about the power of encouragement as Peter says that he is going to give himself to exhorting them on a regular basis.

- ① ISRAEL
- ② WARS AND Rumors OF wars
- ③ RUSSIA
- ④ Oil

" WHAT IF "

What if our Lord came today,  
To take us Home with Him?  
Would we cry, "Not now my Lord",  
"Our lives are, Oh so grim!"

We'd like some time for correcting,  
Those mistakes we've made in life.  
Please Lord, Can't you give us time  
To straighten out all our strife?

We can rest assured that He's listening,  
To every plea that we make.  
We know that He's pleased and happy,  
To hear that we're not a fake.

If today is the day we're to meet Him,  
In His beautiful Heavenly Home;  
Then we'd all better be ready,  
With Him, we'll not be alone!

- Wanda Revelt



4. Study #4 - "Here's What You're Going to Face"  
We have looked at our enemy the evil one and those inspired by him, who are the false prophets, and the certain and swift judgment involved.
5. Study #5 - "Here's How They Look"  
We considered the full description of these false prophets in the remainder of the chapter.
6. Study #6 - "Here's What You Need to Remember"  
Peter is saying that he is stirring up their sincere minds by way of a reminder, and that we should remember the words spoken previously by the holy prophets and the commandment of the Lord and Savior.

ONE word  
between us And our  
Eternal Destiny

We come now to Study #7 and we are considering "Here's What's Going to Happen."

IF You Are going to win in the Market You read the Wall Street Journal And trust Your Advisors And be Aware of what's going on..

v. 8

But do not let this one fact be escaping your notice, beloved, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

chap. 3:3,4

"Knowing this first of all, that in the last days mockers will come with their mocking, following after their own desires, and saying, 'Where is the promise of His coming?' For ever since the fathers fell asleep all things are remaining just as it was from the beginning of creation."

Now in answer to that accusation or mockery, Peter says, negatively, "Do not let this one fact be escaping your notice, beloved."

The one fact that we have got to be careful to notice is that we are dealing with an eternal God who supercedes time.

When E.F. Hutton  
speaks You listen



This one fact is "that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day."

One fact that we must always keep uppermost in dealing with prophetic delays is this very fact.

Psalm 90:4

"For a thousand years in thy sight are like yesterday when it passes by or as a watch in the night."

Weisiger points out, "Some such slogan as this may give helpful guidance: Live morally and spiritually as if the Lord were coming today. Pray and plan and work as if he were not coming for a thousand years."

"Live each day as though it were your last And one day you will be right."

Nisbet points out, "That one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day, which is a truth that none within time can well comprehend. Only faith can assent to and make use of it in judging as he judges, that many years delay to us of the performance of a promise is but a very little time compared with eternity. Only it may foster a holy longing to be with him, when we shall partake of us glory, when there shall not be such a thing as any sad reflections upon past sweetness or any painful langour for sweetness to come, but a constant present possession thereof or duration resembling him with whom one day is a thousand years and a thousand years as one day."

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"The Lord of the promise"

chap. 1:4

you can lose it all !!

"Through which things he has generously given to us his precious and exceedingly great promises, in order that through these you might become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the destruction in the world caused by desire."

Has He ever broken one?

Has He Fulfilled them All So Far?

Judging by past performance we ought to have a present and a fantastic future

The potential to perish is very real in God's eyes !!



Rev. 6:10,11 "And they cried out with A loud voice, saying,  
"How long O Lord, holy And true, wilt thou refrain From  
Judging And Avenging our blood on those who dwell on the  
earth?"

And there was given to each of them A white robe; And  
they were told that they should rest For A little while longer  
until the Number of their Fellow-servants And their  
brethren who were to be Killed even As they had been, should  
be Completed Also. --

Now Peter is going to defend the Lord in the situation, who is an eternal being with whom a day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day, when he says, "The Lord of the promise is (negatively) not delaying as some would count slowness, but (on the other hand, positively) is patient toward you."

*Not holding back, just waiting for us to decide !!*

The Lord is not delaying. He is only patient.

*Mike: 2/17/84 1:40 Name on the birth register in glory. the Lamb's book of life*

*MARK 2/21/84 2:10P.M.*

Hebrews 10:36,37

"For you have need of endurance, so that when you have done the will of God, you may receive what was promised. For yet, in a very little while, he who is coming will come, and will not delay."

Hebrews 10:23

"Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful."

Negatively, "not desiring for any to perish but (positively) for all to make room for or come to repentance."

The reason the Lord is patient is because he is not desiring for any to perish, because it is a free choice. Jesus Christ can be rejected. People do this and perish, just like they did in the flood. But on the other hand, for all, it is the desire of the Lord that everyone make room for or come to repentance.

*→ Cities of Sodom + Gomorrah  
Angels*

John 3:16

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him, should not perish but have everlasting life."

The two alternatives are:

1. To perish or
2. To come to repentance

*Old Harry Truman just refused to come off of Mount St. Helen's. Buried in an 800' lava flow. Guess !!*



AND THIS ONE OBSERVATION--

I find that one of the most disturbing aspects of aging is my growing inability to recall important information like the Greek alphabet, the gross national product of Lebanon, and where I left my glasses. This becomes particularly pronounced when I go upstairs to get something. Halfway up I realize I have no inkling of what it is I am going upstairs to get. Should I go back downstairs and try to remember what it was I needed? Or should I continue on up and look around for something that needs bringing down? Unable to decide, I resort to sitting on the landing, only to discover after three minutes that I have completely forgotten whether I was originally upstairs coming down, or downstairs going up!

I think Peter probably knew well about this repentance business when in the boat on that first encounter with the Lord, he said, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." Then on the shores of the Sea of Galilee with the resurrected Christ, he admitted that he did not have the agape love that the Lord was talking about.

- ① Depart from me!
- ② Walking on water!
- ③ Get Behind me
- ④ Foot washing
- ⑤ Put up your sword.
- ⑥ Denial
- ⑦ Sea of Galilee
- ⑧ Resurrection
- ⑨ Pentecost

Smith points out, "God is not slack. The word means 'tardy.' It is when a person is about to do a thing but dallies with it and is slow in accomplishing the end. Not thus does God work. What men count slackness, he counts the reverse; and in his own time, which whether it be a day or a thousand years, is alike to him. He will certainly fulfill all that he has promised."

Ecc. 3:11 ; Hab. 2:3 ; Gal. 4:4-5 Acts 3:19: Now turn from your sins + turn to God so you can be cleansed of your sins.

Nisbet points out, "It is the wisdom of the Lord's people rather to prepare for that day than to complain of the delay or to be anxious concerning it."

Commenting on Nineveh! Sodom + Gomorrah! Amos 4:12: V. 20 Then of refreshment will come from the presence of the Lord."

Smedes in his book How Can It Be All Right says, "If we do not believe the city can change, we do not believe in the presence and the power of God. The second change was in God. God changed his mind. One day God said, Nineveh's clock has run out. Its day of death has come. The next day God said, Let Nineveh live. Let its clock run awhile longer. Let women give birth to babies; let young men and young women dream dreams of the future, and let the dance of life continue. I am not sure whether God's change of mind comes as a surprise to you. To a Calvinist like me, a divine change of mind twists the nose of a long-standing theological bias. Does God really change his mind? The answer is yes. God changes his mind. But he never changes his heart. There in the depths of his compassionate heart God is eternally unchangeable. The purpose of his heart is to seek and to save the lost, to heal the hurt, to reconcile the alienated, to liberate the captive, and to recreate the world to a kingdom of peace. He is not willing that any should perish. This is the unchanging intent of his great heart. And if he needs to change his mind, to shift his strategy, to alter his course, to achieve his heart's purpose, then he changes it. God is not the great stone face of heaven: 'Thou changest not; thy compassions they fail not.' This is the line that expresses an authentic theology of the unchangeable God. God is unchangeable forever in his compassion toward the city of men."

John 11:  
Lord, You Are  
Late!!

Omit



What we see in God's way with Nineveh is a parable of God's way with human history, his way with sinful people, his way with us. It is the answer to the age old question, Why does God let human history go on when everything seems to be wrong in it? Why does he wait so long to burn it all up in the great conflagration of the ages? It is a parable of the truth expressed by the apostle Peter in the New Testament. The people scoffed at the prophecy that Christ would return to judge the old world and recreate it into a new one. Peter explained why God took so long: "God is not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance." Compassion moves God to put up with things a while longer for the sake of people. God puts up with loose ends, with hardness of people's hearts, with worlds full of wrongness, always to give people a chance to come back to him. Compassion does not rush into judgment. It patiently waits for a new day, a tomorrow when things may change. Compassion is the power not to foreclose on the future.

Smedes in his other book Love Within Limits says, "The model of longsuffering love is God himself. Why, a reasonable angel might ask, did the Creator not give up millennia ago on these stupid rebels? Why does God not call a halt to the frustrations of human history? Why does he not let us finish ourselves off with the doomsday bomb? Why does he not come quickly himself to turn the world into his perfect kingdom. Why does he wait so long before taking decisive action? The answer? God is love. Love suffers long. God's love is his yes to a lost world. It is a redemptive yes, not merely an indifferent or indulgent one. It is a yes burning with desire for our salvation.

An apostle once wrote a letter to some Christians tempted to read God's longsuffering as divine indifference. Skeptics were arguing that love's longsuffering looked more like forgetfulness than patience. Why does he wait? History just keeps wandering along as it always has. The pain, the violence, the inhumanity--nothing really changes. Surely his promise is phoney. The writer gives the real reason for God's delay. 'God is not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.'

Agape love always creates room for reconciliation by suffering long even with what it hates."

Smedes once again says, "The second letter of Peter tells us about waiting with courage for the coming of the new creation. We wait for God but God's delay is a delay of love. Not wishing that any should perish, he takes his time. But while we wait for him, as we must, we have to be hastening the coming of the day of God, that is, resisting the forces that resist the power of God's kingdom. Waiting and hastening are the correlates of patience and courage, and they blend into a strong hope for a new earth, where justice finally rules from pole to pole. Love endures God's delays. Love endures the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune directed against us privately. Love endures global evils. Love endures the suffering that comes to us in sharing the suffering of others. Love endures because love is the power of the life of the suffering Christ. 'It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me.' Christ in us is the secret of the love that endures all things."

Luke 15:7

"I tell you that in the same way, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over 99 righteous persons who need no repentance."

Psalm 51

"Be gracious to me, O God, according to thy loving-kindness; according to the greatness of thy compassion blot out my transgressions.  
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.  
For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.  
Against thee, thee only, I have sinned, and done what is evil in thy sight; so that thou art justified when thou dost speak, and blameless when thou dost judge.  
Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity; and in sin my mother conceived me.  
Behold, thou dost desire truth in the innermost being, and in the hidden part thou wilt make me know wisdom.  
Purify me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.



Make me to hear joy and gladness; let the bones which thou hast broken rejoice.  
Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.  
Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a steadfast spirit with me.  
Do not cast me away from thy presence; and do not take thy Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore to me the joy of thy salvation; and sustain me with a willing spirit.  
Then I will teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners will be converted to thee."

v.10

But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, in which the heavens with a rushing roar will be dissolved, and the elements will be destroyed by burning, and the earth and the works in it shall be found (and disappear).

But in contrast to what they are saying about the promise of his coming, Peter the prophet tells us, "the day of the Lord will come."

I Thess. 5:2

"For you yourselves know full well that the day of the Lord will come just like a thief in the night. While they are saying peace and safety, then destruction will come upon them suddenly, like birth pangs upon a woman with child, and they shall not escape."

When Peter is referring to the day of the Lord, he is referring to that period of time which begins after the rapture of the church. This involves the tribulation, the second coming of Christ to set up his kingdom and the millennial reign of Christ.

The day of the Lord will come like a thief in the sense that it will rob you of any further opportunities to experience the patience of the Lord to come to repentance.

No More Getting in under the wire. ① wise + Foolish virgins ② Talents ③ Sheep + The Goats.

MAT. 24: Story of the thief

AM Admajaad : Hasten the return of the Mahdi destroy Satan. Little Satan is Israel + The Great Satan is The U.S.A. Joel Rosen. Deep Heat. Four Corners.

Like A Thief - W.W.II : 9/11



Charles Jones in Life Is Tremendous says, "Did you hear about the sophisticated burglars that are operating around the world? One evening they robbed a shoe store. They carefully took all the shoes out of the boxes and neatly replaced the empty boxes on the shelves. Finally they finished and left the store just as they had found it-- except there were no shoes in the boxes!

The next morning the manager arrived, his usual cheerful self, and held a quick sales meeting with the employees. Then the first customer appeared and he sent out his star salesman: 'Go get her, Bill.'

Bill rushed over, 'Good morning, ma'am,' he said. 'Put your little footsie right up here. My, what a nice foot! We've got a number from Paris for you that'll knock your eye out. This is...excuse me, ma'am, something wrong here. Ma'am, that was the wrong shoe. I want to show you a shoe that's designed for a heavenly foot like...oops, that's not it, either. I was saving a pair for my wife that will really get you. Look at this, ma'am...uh, one minute, ma'am. I'll be right back.'

'Boss, we've got troubles.'

'What do you mean, troubles?'

'Boss, we don't have any shoes.'

'What do you mean we don't have shoes? Look at all those boxes.'

'Boss, all those boxes are empty!'"

Hey! They Are All Gone !!

its All over!

Judges 16:20

"And she said, 'The Philistines are upon you, Samson!' And he awoke from his sleep and said, I will go out as at other times and shake myself free. But he did not know that the Lord had departed from him."

Paul tells the Thessalonians that it will come at a time when you do not think it will come, when you are saying peace and safety and feel like you have forever. Then the Lord is going to come and rob you of your last opportunity to ever respond to Jesus Christ and to escape the judgment of God.

Change the word from "destruction" to "Pleasant Fields"

It would be good for us for a brief moment to review the prophetic sequence of events:



1. The rapture of the church

2. The seven-year tribulation period- This period involves three series of judgments:

1. The seals
2. The trumpet
3. The bowl judgments

This period is ended with the Battle of Armageddon.

3. The second coming of Jesus Christ. He is coming back with his saints as King of Kings and Lord of Lords to rule and reign for a thousand years.

4. The millennial reign of Christ. It will be a rule of righteousness for a thousand years, sitting upon the throne of his father David.

5. *"From whose Presence Earth & Heaven Fled Away" -* The great white throne judgment - When all of those who have not received Jesus Christ as Savior will be judged and cast into the lake which burns with fire and brimstone.

6. The new heavens and the new earth

"The heavens with a rushing roar will be dissolved, and the elements will be destroyed by burning, and the earth and the works in it shall be found (and disappear)."

There are the progression of three D's here:

1. Dissolved
2. Destroyed
3. Disappear

Rev. 21

"And I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth passed away; and there is no longer any sea."

And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, made ready as a bride adorned for her husband.

And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is among men, and he shall dwell among them, and they shall be his peoples, and God himself shall be among them.

① Last week Just A word separates us From Existence to Eternity.

② Jacob in the thigh

③ Fritz Von Eric's son Kevin

the plane with A little Red white stuff

doll

Amber

laughed or

Mocked

He would have

Made A Pretze

out of Him.

He has every right to carry



And he shall wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there shall no longer be any death; there shall no longer be any mourning, or crying or pain; the first things have passed away. And he who sits on the throne said, Behold, I am making all things new. And he said, Write; for these words are faithful and true."

Erich Sauer in his book King of the Earth makes several statements about the end of the world, "Astronomic theory recognizes another way by which the earth could become uninhabitable much earlier than by a cold death or fire death of the solar system or of the universe as a whole. It is perfectly possible for a process to take place, in its essence temporarily opposite to the ice-death, that is, a great increase in the intensity of solar radiation leading to a tremendous rise in temperature till it reaches unbearable heat.

Astronomy speaks of 'novae' or new stars; these are stars which flare up and appear as new stars comparatively quickly. It has, however, become clear that most of these novae are not actually new but rather 'variable' stars, whose luminosity rises temporarily to about 25,000 times, and in exceptional cases, that of the 'supernovae,' hundreds of millions of times that of the sun.

If our sun should one day prove to be such a 'variable' star and then temporarily produce heat like that already indubitably observed in numerous fixed stars, then all the water of the earth would evaporate and its cloudy envelope would resemble that of the planet Venus.

Whether any form of life would be able to adapt itself to these conditions, we cannot say, but presumably man will not. This is a far more terrible prediction for man than the ice-death. What would then take place, when our last descendants have to fly from the tremendous heat into caves, in which all survivors will crowd together to keep themselves alive by creating artificial cold, would be so terrible, even if our imagination works on only a few details, that Dante's Inferno, in which the torments of the lost are described, would appear as a trifle in comparison."

Professor Karl Heim makes no bones about it: "That the universe will remain protected from death by cold is as improbable as that a measure of water, placed over fire, would turn to ice. The possibility of the universe's escaping death by cold is equally out of the question."



Rev. 3:3 "Remember, therefore, what you have received and heard; and keep it and repent. If therefore you will not wake up, I will come like a thief, and you will not know at what hour I will come upon you."

The atheistic scientist Professor Dubois-Reymond also affirmed that there exists a "scientific eschatology," that is, the expectation of a point in time, which cannot be arrested, when in the world all mental life, and with it all knowledge, will be extinguished, and all ideals, all works of art and all cultural achievements will be destroyed.

Another German scholar, Professor H. Rohrbach expressed it as follows: "We must assume with high probability that in the distant future at some time a position will be reached in the cosmos, when everything will be in a state of equilibrium, when its whole mass will be evenly distributed throughout space, and then nothing more can take place. This is the 'thermo-dynamic equilibrium,' the universal heat or cold death of the universe. Yet we cannot calculate how many years will pass before then, since we cannot eliminate the possibility of unpredictable events taking place."

## 8 Lessons

### CONCLUSION:

What are some of the lessons that we can learn from this particular study?

LESSON #1: We cannot put time limits on the promises of God.

LESSON #2: A day with the Lord is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

LESSON #3: The Lord of the promise is not delaying.

LESSON #4: God is patient and has no desire for anyone to perish.



LESSON #5: It is his desire that we repent.

LESSON #6: The day of the Lord will come when you least expect it and rob you of any further opportunities to get to know the Lord.

LESSON #7: The present heavens and earth are going to be dissolved, destroyed and disappear.

Lesson #8 Judging by past performance, we ought to have a present certainty of a fantastic future...

In view of what's coming, it is absolutely essential for anyone who does not know Jesus Christ to come to an experience of the new birth.

2 Cor. 6:2 says:

"Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation."

As believers, we must be motivated like the Master.

"We must work the works of him that sent us while it is day, for the night is coming when no man can work."

And as John says so well in 1 John 3:2

"Soon we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. Every man who has this hope in him purifies himself even as he is pure."

Rev. 2:16,17

"Repent, therefore, or else I am coming to you quickly, and I will make war against them with the sword of my mouth. He who has an ear let him hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches. To him who overcomes, to him I will give some of the hidden manna, and I will give him a white stone, and a new name written on the stone which no one knows but he who receives it."

Isaiah 55:6,7 " Seek the Lord while he may be found; call on him while he is near. Let the wicked forsake his way and the evil man his thoughts. Let him turn to the Lord, and He will have mercy on him, and to our God, for He will freely pardon."

Monday—November 21

Read: Isaiah 55:1-7

### WHEN IT'S TOO LATE!

Seek ye the Lord while He may be found, call ye upon Him while He is near.

Isaiah 55:6

**F**OR an insurance policy to be effective, you must take it out before you have an accident or calamity—not after the disaster occurs. A story is told about a man who was approached repeatedly by an insurance agent and urged to buy fire coverage for his house. "No," the homeowner kept saying, "it's well built, and I maintain it properly. You're just trying to scare me. My house will never catch fire." But one day it did! As the story goes, while the flames were licking through the roof and the black smoke was billowing out of the windows, the owner was seen running down the street to the agent's office to purchase a fire insurance policy. You say, "That's foolish!" I agree. No company will insure a building that is already burning.

This story, however, does underscore the folly of putting off an important decision—for whatever reason. Presumption or procrastination is a serious problem, especially when it comes to escaping what our Lord described as "the fire that never shall be quenched" (Mark 9:43). By paying for our sins on Calvary's cross, Jesus has provided the only way of escape from the judgment to come. But an important condition must be met before that salvation can be enjoyed. The offer must be accepted while it is still good; that is, before death overtakes us.

So don't be foolish. Believe on Christ and receive Him as your Savior today. The man in the story didn't act until the fire had already started. Don't be like him. Right now, while there is still time, accept salvation.

—R.W.D.

Why do you wait, dear brother,

Oh, why do you tarry so long?

Your Savior is waiting to give you

A place in His sanctified throng.

—Root

THOT: You can't repent too soon, for you know not how soon it may be too late.

Todd Beamer = Like Peter Serving Others in The Crisis

How many of those people on the two planes in the towers, one in the Pentagon know it was their last flight?

Fourth Plane.

Going to work & Towers + Pentagon



Rev. 3:20-22

"Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come into him and will dine with him, and he with me. He who overcomes I will grant to him to sit down with me on my throne, as I also overcame and sat down with my Father on his throne. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit is saying to the churches."

The hymnwriter says it well:

"When all my labors and trials are o'er  
And I am safe on that beautiful shore,  
Just to be near the dear Lord I adore,  
Will through the ages be glory for me.

O that will be glory for me, glory for me, glory  
for me.

When by his grace I shall look on his face,  
That will be glory, be glory for me.

When by the gift of his infinite grace,  
I am accorded in heaven a place,  
Just to be there and to look on his face  
Will through the ages be glory for me.

Friends will be there I have loved long ago,  
Joy like a river around me will flow.  
Yet just a smile from my Savior, I know,  
Will through the ages be glory for me.

Get Ready Because The Lord  
Keeps His Promises !!

- ① Almost!
- ② Put Near PerKris!