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John 11:20, *“Then Martha, as soon as she heard that Jesus was coming, went and met him: but Mary sat [still] in the house.”*

In John 11 we have the account of where Jesus is returning to the place where Lazarus had died. Word came to Martha that Jesus was coming. When she heard this, she went out to meet Him.

I can't help but think about how many people hear that Jesus is coming, yet do nothing to prepare to meet Him. We know that Jesus is coming again. When Jesus was returning to Heaven, the ones watching Him were told in Acts 1:11, *“Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.”*

Just two verses earlier we are told this concerning Jesus in Acts 1:9, *“And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight.”*

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When Jesus returns, it will be in the clouds. Revelation 1:7, *“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.”* Jesus will return in the clouds, and every eye shall see Him. That is not just the eyes of a few like when He ascended back into Heaven, but every eye.

It's the eyes of those who are living as well as the eyes of all who have ever lived or have yet to be born. We know this because those who pierced Jesus will see Him. I feel John was told to write this because he would have seen this personally at the cross. No doubt it was a very hard event for John to see. They were cruelly piercing the body of the LORD after He had died. They and all humanity of all time, including us, will see Jesus when He returns.

Jesus will return in glory and with all His holy angels. Matthew 25:31, *“When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory.”* What a glorious sight to behold—Jesus returning in His glory with all the holy angels. We don't know how many angels there are, but we get a general idea from Revelation 5:11, *“And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne and the beasts and the elders: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands.”* That number alone if taken literally is 100 million, but there are thousands and thousands on top of that. When Jesus returns, the sky will be full.

Jesus will also come with all His saints. Paul wrote in I Thessalonians 3:13, *“To the end he may stablish your hearts unblameable in holiness before God, even our Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all his saints.”* We know that the saints are the saved. Jesus, all His holy angels, and all His saints will be there at His coming in glory.

When Jesus comes, He is not coming to establish His kingdom. That was done on the day of Pentecost. We know it was established very

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News

—Continue to remember **Alice Vanderstoep, Steve Seaton, Brad Terry, Enola Zigler, Shirley Edwards, Clay Bozarth, Becky Hatcher, Joanna Locke, Larry Compton, Linda Terry & Kathy Burd.** **Mark Crabtree** is doing well after

surgery for carpal tunnel syndrome. **Beulah Baker**, the mother of Sharon Franklin, will have hip replacement surgery this Tuesday, May 17. **Mae Walters**, aunt of Sandy Duncan and Sherry Crabtree, fell and broke her knee cap. She is currently in rehabilitation. **Jean Philpott** has been sick with pneumonia. **Linda Sloan** has been unable to attend due to a swollen foot. The step father of Shari Edwards, **Red Hensley**, remains in a Tupelo, Mississippi hospital. He is slowly improving.

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soon after Jesus was upon Earth. Matthew 16:28, “*Verily I say unto you, There be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in his kingdom.*” There were many standing there who would still be alive when the kingdom came. It happened very soon.

What of those who are still alive when Jesus comes again? I Thessalonians 4:16-17, “*16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: 17 Then we which are alive [and] remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.*”

Jesus will not only return in glory with all His holy angels and all the saints, but there will be a shout, the voice of the archangel, and the trump of God. Those still living will meet the LORD in the air and ever be with the LORD. The earth will be destroyed. II Peter 3:10, “*But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.*”

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Sunday, May 8, 2022		
Classes	10	Matthew 17:14-27
Preaching	27	Luke 2 (Mary in the life of Jesus)
Contribution	\$1010.00	
Evening	7	Genesis 34:1-35:29
Wednesday, May 11, 2022		
Classes	10	Psalms 116-117

May 8 (AM) Mark & Kim Quigley; Taylor Quigley; Aaron, Mylaka, & Chase Richey (Glasgow, KY); Melissa Quigley & Kelsey Pedigo (Canmer, KY); Adam Huff (Glasgow, KY)

Visitors—

Bible Quiz

What is precious in the sight of the LORD?
Last Week’s Answer— Standing water (Psalm 114:8)

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Jesus is coming. We know not when, but let’s be ready. Let’s be like Martha and be ready to meet Him at His coming. What a glorious event that will be. We want to be with the saved who go to ever be with the LORD. The only way we can is to prepare now for His coming and live every day of our lives for the LORD.

—Marty Edwards❖

—God’s Plan of Salvation—

1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:14)
2. Believe on the Lord and His Word (Mark 16:16; John 8:24)
3. Repent of your sins (Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30)
4. Confess Christ (Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9)
5. Be baptized (immersed in water) for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27; I Peter 3:21)
6. Live a faithful, dedicated life (Revelation 2:10; II Peter 1:5-10)