

1 Thess. 4:13–18 | Second Coming Study Questions from 26.11.2023 sermon

Differing interpretations and unity

i. Genuine Christians differ in their interpretations of what Revelation (and other books of the Bible!) says about the second coming of Christ. Why is this? How should we react if we come across a Christian who holds a differing 'end times' viewpoint to ours?

Jesus will return, but so what? What difference does it make to my life?

Encouragement

ii. Read 1 Thess. 4:16-18. Discuss how & when we can encourage one another with Christ's return.

Readiness

iii. Read Matt. 24:42-44. What does it mean to be ready for Jesus's second coming?

Patience

iv. Read 2 Peter 3:9. In the context of the verse, discuss in what ways the second coming makes us patient. Should our patience be active or passive?

Holiness

v. Read 2 Peter 3:11-12a. How does Peter link holiness and godliness with the second coming?

Restraint

vi. Read Romans 12:19 and 1 Cor. 4:5. Discuss how Jesus's return restrains us.

Prayer time

vii. Put into practice what you've learned as you pray together!