

Sermon Notes...

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“WAITING FOR THE LORD’S RETURN” **THE ASCENSION OF JESUS CHRIST SERIES, #6 OF 6** **ACTS 1:11 & VARIOUS**

INTRODUCTION

A. JESUS WILL RETURN!

1. TAUGHT THROUGHOUT THE NT
2. DESCRIBED WITH THREE TERMS:
 - (A) *PAROUSIA* — ‘COMING’ AFTER A PERIOD OF ABSENCE
 - (B) *EPIPHANEIA* — ‘APPEARING’ IN SHINING GLORY
 - (C) *APOKALUPSIS* — ‘REVELATION’/UNVEILING OF MAJESTY
3. *MARANATHA!* — ‘COME, LORD JESUS!’

B. MISTAKES TO AVOID WHILE WE WAIT?

1. WITHDRAWAL FROM THE WORLD
2. CREATING OUR HEAVEN ON EARTH
3. CONFORMING TO THE PRESENT WORLD

C. ‘LIVING WITH THE END IN VIEW’ [D. THOMAS]

1. REALIZE THESE ARE THE ‘LAST DAYS’
2. FOCUS ON CHRIST ABOVE AS *LORD OF ALL*
3. FOCUS ON CHRIST ABOVE AS *THE ‘FIRSTFRUITS’*
4. FOCUS ON CHRIST ABOVE AS *COMING JUDGE OF ALL*
5. FOCUS ON CHRIST’S *RETURNING SOON TO TAKE YOU HOME*

Amen