

It's The End of the World as We Know It

“What We Know For Sure”

What Do We Know For Sure About the End Times?

1. I will be **surprised** when Jesus returns.

1 Thessalonians 5:1-2 (NLT)

Now concerning how and when all this will happen, dear brothers and sisters, we don't really need to write you. ² For you know quite well that the day of the Lord's return will come unexpectedly, like a thief in the night.

- Keep my relationship with God **active**.

2. I will **see Jesus return**, and he will take me **to Heaven**.

Revelation 1:7a (NLT)

Look! He comes with the clouds of heaven. And everyone will see him-- even those who pierced him.

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 (NLT)

And now, dear brothers and sisters, we want you to know what will happen to the believers who have died so you will not grieve like people who have no hope. ¹⁴ For since we believe that Jesus died and was raised to life again, we also believe that when Jesus returns, God will bring back with him the believers who have died. ¹⁵ We tell you this directly from the Lord: We who are still living when the Lord returns will not meet him ahead of those who have died. ¹⁶ For the Lord himself will come down from heaven with a commanding shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet call of God. First, the Christians who have died will rise from their graves. ¹⁷ Then, together with them, we who are still alive and remain on the earth will be caught up in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. Then we will be with the Lord forever. ¹⁸ So encourage each other with these words.

- Encourage **others** by **clarifying** what will happen when Jesus returns.

3. I will **live forever with a body that **does not age**.**

1 Corinthians 15:51-53 (NLT)

But let me reveal to you a wonderful secret. We will not all die, but we will all be transformed! ⁵² It will happen in a moment, in the blink of an eye, when the last trumpet is blown. For when the trumpet sounds, those who have died will be raised to live forever. And we who are living will also be transformed. ⁵³ For our dying bodies must be transformed into bodies that will never die; our mortal bodies must be transformed into immortal bodies.

- Remind myself that this body is **temporary**.

My Next Step Today Is...

- ☐ I will pray the prayer to become a Christ-follower today, so that I can go to Heaven with Jesus when he returns.
- ☐ I will keep my relationship with God active, by committing to read my Bible and pray regularly.
- ☐ I will encourage others by clarifying what will happen when Jesus returns.
- ☐ When I am experiencing physical pain or illness, I will remind myself that this body is temporary.
- ☐ I will attend a Summer Small Group tonight, and go to the Parkway Fellowship Facebook page today to find out the details.