THE PRINCE OF PEACE

Isaiah 9:6,7

"6For unto us Child is born, unto us Son is given: and the government shall be upon His shoulder: and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The Everlasting Father, **The Prince of Peace**. Of the increase of His government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of The **Lord** of hosts will perform this' (Isa. 9:6,7).

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"6Since unto-us Educable-Child [aor. pass.] was-being-beggotten, unto-us Son [aor. pass.] was-given: the principality of-Whom became upon the shoulder of-His: and the name of-His is-being-called Messenger of-Great Counsel, for I-shall-bring peace upon the rulers [magistrates] and health to-Him. 7The principality of-His great! [nom. of excl.] and to-the Peace of-His there-is no limit; upon the throne of-David and The Kingdom of-His, to-set-straight and to-establish [loc. &v]in-judgment and [loc. &v]in-righteousness from the now even forever. The zeal of-The LORD of-Hosts shall-do this" (Isa.9:6,7 LXX APT).

Part 36

Introduction:

We have completed the study of the first five of the six facts about The Lord Jesus Christ as to Who The Prince of Peace Is. These six facts are:

I. What is Peace; II. Who The Prince of Peace Is; III. What He Came To Do; IV. When He Came; V. Where He Now Is; VI. When He Comes Again. In the last thirty-five lessons we completed thirty-five parts concerning The Lord Jesus Christ as The Prince of Peace. Then we began to consider the sixth fact, What He Came to Do. So far we have covered the first eight reasons of at least twelve reasons and unequaled achievements The Prince of Peace came to Earth to perform. The Lord Jesus Christ Himself declared the first seven reasons during His life on Earth. Then there are five more reasons for His coming that were declared by John in two of The New Testament Books that He wrote at the end of his life between A.D. 90-94.

VI. When He Comes Again (1 Thes. 4:16-18; 1 Cor. 15:52-57; Rom. 14:10-12; 2 Thes. 1:6-10; 2:1-12; 2 Cor. 5:7-11).

There are several views about The Lord Jesus Christ, The Prince of Peace coming again. A careful consideration of **ALL** of Scripture which contains bits and pieces concerning this topic reveals that there are two stages of His Second Coming. Firstly, He shall come in the air for His Church, His Bride, which includes all Redeemed and Regenerated saints, who have committed personal persistent trust in Him and have made Him Master and yielded themselves as bondslaves and true disciples of His. This occurs at least seven plus years before the Second Stage, when He Returns to Earth with His Bride and all the holy angels compiling A Great Army (Rev. 19:14; Mt. 25:31; Mk. 8:38; Lk. 9:26) to conquer The Counterfeit Trinity of The End Time (Satan or the dragon, the beast or The Antigod, and The Antichrist or The False Prophet) (Rev. 16:13), who had controlled the Earth for $3^{1/2}$ years of Great Tribulation (Mt. 24:15-21-30 cf. Dan. 9:24-27).

We considered the answer to Two Questions: A. How Shall He Come? and B. What Shall Take Place After He Comes?

A. How Shall He Come? (1 Thes. 4:16,17; 1 Cor. 15:52-57).

The first Scripture verse that comes to mind is Acts 1:11 where two angels appearing as men in white raiment had stood before the eleven disciples standing and staring into Heaven while Jesus was lifted up and

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assumed out of their sight. The disciples were told, "Jesus Himself, Who was-taken-up away-from-you into Heaven, in-this-way He-shall-come in-which-manner, &you-with-rapt-attention-intently-gazed-upon Him while-journeying into The Heaven," (Acts 1:11 APT)

This was recorded by Luke in A.D. 62-63, eleven years after the Apostle Paul recorded I Thessalonians and six years after he recorded 1 Corinthians, which two Epistles provide more information and explanation in answering the question, How Shall He Come? This has to do with His coming back for His disciples which are Redeemed, Regenerated, and constitute His Church and consummate His marriage to His Bride, which is theologically referred to as The Rapture. This is the first of two stages of His Second coming. First He shall come in the air or atmosphere, which is also recorded in 1 Corinthians and Romans. Then in two other Epistles, namely 2 Thessalonians and 2 Corinthians, Paul continues with The Theme of His Coming Again, but in these Epistles he deals with the second stage of His coming back to Earth in which He returns back to Earth to end all war and strife and to set up His Millennial Kingdom of Peace. This is referred to in Scripture as The Revelation.

There are two stages to The Lord Jesus Christ's Coming Again, referred to in Scripture as His Coming Presence. The First Stage, recorded by Paul was in early spring of A.D. 51 in his Thessalonian letter concerning The Lord Jesus Christ's Coming Presence is His descent out of Heaven to the atmosphere or the air to take His Bride, the Church, back to be with Him in His Heavenly Abode. He followed this five plus years later with a Corinthian letter in June-November in A.D. 56. Then the Second Stage is to Return with His Bride accompanied by His army of angels to set up His Millennial Kingdom.

- 1. The First Stage of His Coming Presence is considered in two factors: a. The Descent of The Savior and b. The Ascent of The Disciple-Saints.
 - a. The Descent of The Savior to the Air (1 Thes. 4:16,17).

When God, The Father determines that it is time for His Son to descend and return to the atmosphere (air) to receive His Bride, The Church to Himself in Heaven, the most beautiful-sounding trio shall resound and penetrate the stratosphere and then into the atmosphere, which covers the clouds and the air that reaches seven miles out from the surface of The Earth. The harmonious trio includes the shouted directive by The Lord Jesus Christ Himself blended with the archangel's call, along with the sound of God's trumpet.

This will reach the ears of the the dead and buried, regenerated disciples, who are in union with Christ first. Immediately they shall rise into the sky with incorruptible bodies.

b. The Ascent of The Regenerated Disciple-Saints into The Air to meet their Lord, Master, and Bridegroom (1 Thes. 4:16,17; 1 Cor. 15:52-57).

Driven by The Holy Spirit, Paul called the fact of The Second Coming of The Lord Jesus Christ, <u>A Mystery</u>. Then in the first Epistles written to the local churches at **Thehssahlohnéekay** (Thessalonica) first in early spring in A.D. 51 and then again four months later that same year to the local church at **Kóhreenthohs** (Corinth) in which he described the mystery and related exactly how and what shall take place when this amazing event shall occur.

Immediately in an instant of time, in the blink of an eye after the most beautiful-sounding-Trio shall first reach the ears of the the dead and buried, redeemed, regenerated disciple-saints, who are in union with Christ shall rise up out of their graves (1 Thes. 4:14-16).

When this Trio is heard these dead Disciple-Saints, who were 'asleep in Jesus' are resurrected with incorruptible bodies that can never die again and are lifted into the air. Then all the physically living, redeemed, regenerated disciple-saints, who are in union with The Lord Jesus Christ and God, shall be changed and clothed with incorruptible and immortal bodies and immediately are lifted up to join the resurrected ones in the clouds. Together immediately these two groups meet The Lord Jesus Christ in the air inside the fringe of the atmosphere, which is seven miles above the Earth, to be taken together with our Blesséd Lord Jesus to His Father (1 Thes. 4:17) and be with Him throughout the remaining time and through all Eternity.

B. What Shall Take Place After He Comes in The Air for His Bride? (Rom. 14:10-12; 2 Cor. 5:8-11).

It is deemed necessary to consider this question topically in the order that the events shall take place rather than in the precise order that Progressive Revelation was conveyed to and written by Paul.

1. The First Matter in Heaven to Take Place when The Lord Jesus Christ takes His Bride to Heaven.

The first matter to take place when we arrive is Heaven is individual Judgment of every disciple one by one before The **Báymah**, The Lord Jesus Christ's Judgment Seat on steps (Rom. 14:10-12).

"10Then yourself, why \$are-you-judging the brother of-yours\$? Or also yourself, why are-you-treating-with-contempt the brother of-yours\$? For all [tech. term, lit.: to-stand-alongside] we-shall-present-ourselves-alongside The Christ's [Báymah] Judgment-seat-on-steps. 11For it-stands-written] [sa. 45:23] Myself, I-am-continuously-absolutely-living, OLord [iter.pres.] is-repeatedly-saying, Every knee shall-bend-in-veneration to-Me and every tongue shall-publicly-confess to-The God. 12So-then therefore each-one-of-us-individually shall-give account[word] concerning himself to-The God' (Rom. 14:10-12 APT).

This is a most serious matter for every regenerated, redeemed disciple shall and must be judged before anything else transpires in Heaven as soon as we arrive there. In this judgment before The Lord Jesus Christ at The **Báymah** or Judgment-seat-on-steps every one individually must stand, bow, and give an account by word for and concerning himself or herself as to the production of fruit through one's own life since being regenerated and becoming The Lord Jesus Christ's disciple. Paul gave greater detail of this occasion in His third letter recorded as The Second Epistle to Corinthians by Paul The Apostle (2 Cor. 5:8-11).

"**Now we-are-continually-being-confident and we-are-delighting rather to-be-not-at-home[lit:incomy.faceof] out-of-the body and to-be-at- Home[lit:incomy.faceof] The Lord. 9Wherefore also [prog pres. mid.] we-of-ourselves-are-being-persistently-ambitious[make-it-my-aim, lit:fond-of-esteem]+ continually-to-be well-pleasing-ones+ to-Him, whether being-at-home[lit:incomy.], whether being-not-at-home. 10For it-is-absolutely-necessary for all the-ones with-reference-to-us to-be-displayed in-front-of The Christ's /judgment-seat-on-steps[Báymah] in-order-that each-one [aor.mid.inf] for-himselfretrieve[receive-back-again] the-things [accrd. use] in-accord-with what he-practiced by-means-of-body, whether beneficially-good, whether evil [includes-worthless]. IlTherefore, [caus ptcp] because-being-aware[to-perceive] of-the fear of-The Lord, we-persistently-persuade-humans[generic], but [cons perf] we-stand-being-displayed 0by-God. But I-continually-hope also [cons.perf] to-stand-being-displayed in-the-consciences of-yours." (2 Cor. 5:8-11 APT).

Prompted by The Holy Spirit, Paul prefaced His approach to the most serious future event, by alerting and stressing The Lord Jesus Christ's disciple-saints to carefully observe His commands which He revealed to the twelve disciples before He departed from Earth. Paul began by expressing his confidence and delight in the fact that he along with **Sōsthéhnays**, a brother with Him at **Éhfehsohs** when he wrote to the

Corinthians, stressed the fact that The Lord Jesus Christ Whom he loved and served, was coming again to take His disciple-saints to be with Him in His Home in Heaven. This meant that he would be out of his earthly body and be at Home with The Lord and no longer be not at Home in his earthly body away from the Lord. Therefore he was persistently ambitious to be well-pleasing to Him whether still living on Earth or whether he is no longer on Earth but in Heaven with The Lord. Then he inserted the Truth that we all must face sooner or later. That is that as soon as we get to Heaven before we can peacefully enjoy without disturbance, we all individually alone must face The Judgement Seat on Steps in Heaven, known as The Báymah, to be tried and judged for what works we practiced. That is all that we did by means of one's body on Earth since we were redeemed, regenerated, and discipled until The Rapture. This includes whether it was beneficially good or whether it was worthless and did not contribute to the spread of The Gospel by planting or by watering and by being discipled as well as by discipling others or whether it was worthless or was just out-right evil. Paul put it another way in his First Epistle to the Corinthians (1 Cor. 3:7-15).

"7So that neither is the-one⁺ planting nor the-one⁺ watering anything. But on-the-contrary, God, The-One continually-causing-increase! 8Now the-one+ planting and the-one+ watering are one+. Indeed each-one-separately shall-receive his[art.asprn] own[private] wearisome-labor. 9For we-are God's fellow-workers. &You-are God's vineyard, God's Building. ¹⁰According to the grace of-The God which[art as prn] was-given to-me, as a-wise masterbuilder[architect] I-have-laid-down of foundation, then another [same kind] builds upon it. But each-one-separately is-ever-to-beware [see-to; stat. pres. imp.] how he-continues-building-upon |it|| 11For not-one is-able to-lay-down another[same kind] foundation rather-than The-One+ lying, Who is Jesus The Christ. 12Now if[1st cl.cond] (and-it-is-true) anyone build-up upon This /Foundation |with|[formula use, Bauer, p.2883] gold, silver, precious stones, wood, grass, straw[deadstalk-grain or stubble]. 13the work of-each-one separately of-itself-is-becoming conspicuous [public]. For the day shall-make-lit -apparent because itshallbe-revealed [instr] by-means-of fire. A fire shall-scrutinize [approve after exam] thework of each one of what-sort it is. 14 If [1st cl. cond] (and it is true) the woof-anyone shall-abide which he-built-upon it, This foundation, he-shall-receive compensation. 15If[lst cl. cond.] (and-it-is-true) the work of-anyone shutterlyburned-up, he-shall-forfeit[suffer-loss-of] recompense[reward]. Then himself, but [so] [in-this-way] as through fire' (1 Cor. 3:7-15 APT).

Here the Apostle Paul is dealing with another phase of ministering The Gospel in which every disciple-saint is responsible to be a participant if he or she is to obey and become actively engaged therein (Mt. 28:19,20). This applies to each one claiming to be His child. He or she shall be held accountable for active participation in being discipled and discipling some individual(s). Every true child of The God shall surely face this accountability in fair and just judgment individually before The whole Church and retrieve the things in accord with what was practiced on Earth immediately after She (The Church) arrives in Heaven when The Lord Jesus Christ raptures Her. Shall you and I receive compensation for this labor and personal participation in discipleship and planting and sowing The Seed of The God? Or shall we suffer loss and forfeit compensation?

In our previous lesson we noted that Paul explained the purpose for the necessity of Judgment before The Christ's **Báymah**. It is to enable us to retrieve what we produced or accomplished through our labors and works for Him in our obedience to His Commands whether productive or worthless, or counter- productive by evil deeds.

Earlier in this Epistle (1 Cor. 3:7-15), Paul explained another perspec-

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tive of how we all shall be judged by fire determined by how the materials that we used to build upon The Foundation of The God's Building (The Church) spiritually survive The Trial by Fire. Whether we used that which is durable through fire: gold, silver, or precious stones which endure the fire and are purified and strengthened to last; or with wood, grass, or straw (dead stalk/stubble) which utterly burn up in the Judgment fire.

Since The God's Glory prevails through trials as also does The God's Building (The Church), building with gold represents service done for and with God's glory in view. Building with silver represents redemption. Thirty pieces of which was the price of The Lord Jesus Christ's betrayal in order to crucify Him, so that He secure our Redemption through the death of this perfect, sinless, and spotless male human. Precious stones represent service done in the Spirit of Calvary with Redemption in view, service that leads to Salvation of souls won to The Christ which become His jewels. Consider the result and outcome of judgment at The **Báymah** for using non-combustible building materials to build spiritually for The Lord Jesus Christ by being discipled and using your own discipleship to disciple others in contrast to using combustible building materials! Which materials do you prefer to use? Are you pursuing your preference? Shall you be commended or sorrowfully embarrassed suffering loss and forfeiting recompense after trial before The **Báymah** in Heaven?

However our God is a just and loving God so The Holy Spirit prompted Paul, while dealing with the Corinthians about their cross-examining and judging him, Paul, and reminding them of the judgment that they along with all his disciples shall surely face at The **Báymah** in Heaven. This prompting by The Holy Spirit included a statement for encouragement for every truly regenerated child of The God who has had numerous difficulties, discouragements, and failures in seeking to fulfill all the plans and expectations by making the complete sacrifice that The God has laid out for every disciple-saint. Victory is possible for those who persist to endure until victory is secured. Paul included a Truth in 1 Corinthians that has often been over-looked and even perhaps ignored, but holds hope to pursue the victory that The Lord Jesus Christ has obtained and provided for all who respond to His provision (1 Cor. 4:5).

"5So-then[so-that] stop judging something before 0time until ever The Lord [gnom.aor.subjv]come. Who both [illuminate]shall-bring-to-light the secret-things of the dark and [He]shall-display the counsels of the hearts. And at-that-time the [Bauer, p.]2812]thing-worthy-of-praise from The God shall-be luttered to each-one" (1 Cor. 4:5 APT).

From this we learn that The Just and Faithful God has provided for each one of His disciple-saints to receive praise for whatever worthy thing(s) we have done which shall remain after the Fire of Judgment burns out. Only the profitable works of gold, silver, and precious stones remain. Be sure that He shall find and remember to mention what a human may consider as small and insignificant as well as what humans may consider as great things at the close of the trial. These disciples The Lord Jesus Christ shall praise before all the disciple-saints. This should encourage you and me to put greater effort to add building stones, that is the disciples we have had part in bringing to The Lord Jesus Christ and assisted in developing them into productive disciples thus increasing the number of disciple-saints in this wonderful Body of His called The Church. This is what Paul recorded to these faithful

Thessalonian Saints in mid A.D. 51.

1. The Second Stage of His Coming Presence: The Revelation (2 Thes. 1:6-10). "6if indeed lit is a just~ thing with [alongside] God to recompense: affliction [tribulation] to the+ ones continually afflicting [put under pressure] you ⁸ 7and to you ⁸, the+ ones being afflicted [put under pressure], relaxation [in company] with us in the revelation of The Lord Jesus [away] from Heaven with [in midst of] His angels of miraculous power ⁸in a fire of flame, . . . ¹⁰ whenever He come to be glorified [exalted with majestic radiant splendor] in His /saints and to be marvelled at in That Day by all the ones continually committing trust (because our /testimony toward [upon] you ⁸ was trusted)" (2 Thes. 1:6-10 APT).

The Lord Jesus shall be revealed to the people on Earth with His Army of Angels along with His redeemed, discipled-saints and their combined miraculous power in a Flame of fire to defeat Satan and all his cohorts and set up His Millennial Kingdom. Then all the saints that were being afflicted, put under pressure while on Earth shall receive relaxation.

Then again in Second Thessalonians Paul wrote of The Restricting One on Earth during the time from Pentecost until The Rapture, Who is The Holy Spirit, shall be taken-up with The Church of discipled saints out of the midst, no longer to restrain the rampageousness of sin, destruction, and warfare everywhere on Earth (2 Thes. 2:3,4,6-12).

"3[aor. aor. subjv. of prhbn.] Not- anyone [not-one] -is-to-delude you& according-to-any[not one] means! Because unless the apostasy come first and the [Human]Man of-The Sin [the anti-Christ, the beast out of the sea (Rev. 13:1-8), the first person of-the-counterfeit-trinity-of-theend-time], the Son-of-Utter-Destruction [aor.pass.subjv] be-revealed 4|namely| theone-perseveringly-diametrically-opposing[adversely] and persistently-exceedinglyexalting himself over all things[everything] being-termed, 'god' or lis anobject-of-religious-veneration, so-as [acc. of gen. ref.] for-him to-sit-down as OGod [ets for ev in The Holy-Place[of/Temple] of-The God, persistently-demonstrating ofhimself that he-is ⁰God. . . . ⁶And now you-are-aware-of The [firmlyholds-down Restricting-One [The Holy Spirit] [purp. res. art. inf. w/prep. ets] in-order-for-himto-be-revealed at the appointed-time of-himself. 7(For the mystery of the lawlessness is of-itself-effectively-working already.) Only The firmly-holdingdown] Restricting One | persistently restricts | firmly-holds-down] | at-this-present-time until [The Holy Spirit] He-become out-of-|the|-midst. ⁸And-at-that-time the Lawless-one shall-be-revealed, whom [the-anti-God,the-beast-out-of-the-sea, Rev. 13:1-8: the-second-person-ofcounterfeit-trinity-of-end-time (Rev. 16:13)] The Lord shall-consume with-The Spirit of-The-Mouth of-His and He-shall-make-ineffective [instr.mns.]by-means-of the splendid-appearance of-His Coming-Pesence. ⁹The coming-presence ofwhom [the-anti-Christ] is according to 0 effectual-working of Satan [instr. ev] withevery-kind-of miraculous-power and miraculous-signs and lying wonders ¹⁰and [inst. \(\frac{\psi}{\psi}\)] with-every-kind of enticement [subjv.gen.] by the unrighteousness [\(\frac{\psi}{\psi}\)] with [\(\frac{\psi}{\psi}\)] with [\(\frac{\psi}{\psi}\)] with [\(\frac{\psi}{\psi}\)] with [\(\frac{\psi}{\psi}\)] with [\(\f dat]in-the-perishing-ones, in-retribution-for-which they-did- not -hospitably-welcome the love from-The Truth [purp./res.art.inf.w/prep. eis] in-order-for-them -tobe-saved. 11And because-of this The God shall-send to-them an-effectualworking error [purp./res.art.inf.w/prep.ets]in-order-for them to-commit-trust to-the lie ¹²in-order-that all the-ones, not committing-trust to-The Truth but^[on-the-cont.] [aor.tmp.ptcp] after-delighting in-the-unrighteousness, [gnom. aor. pass. subjv.] be-judged [condemned] (2 Thes. 2:3-12 APT).

Here Paul takes his readers back to Earth immediately following The Rapture, noting that the lawlessness had already been effectively working in restricting sin and Satan, the Lawless One with his emissaries (fallen angels). But since The Holy Spirit has been removed from the midst of the Earth along with The Church, The Lord's Bride, all restraining and restriction has ceased, therefore the Lawless One shall be revealed, The Man of Sin, The Lawless-one, who is the anti-Christ, the beast-out-of-the-sea, (Rev. 13:1-8) who is the-second-person-of-counterfeit-trinity-of-the-end-time. If the present corruption and destruction all over the world by people in our present time is terrible and overwhelming, even while

The Restricting One, The Holy Spirit is present and active and Christ's disciples proclaiming The Truth, think of how terrible it will be when He shall be taken out of the world and away to Heaven with The Christ's Church resulting in no further hindrance of advancing wickedness! Should not we, all who claim to be His disciples make greater effort to spread His Truth, especially to our loved ones and friends as well to the world around us in these last terrible days before He comes in the air?

At the point of time that Paul was used by The Holy Spirit to record this Truth concerning the second stage of His Second Coming there was a silence of further revelation until just before the end of the first century. Some time between A.D. 96 and 99, the Beloved Disciple, John was exiled to the Island of **Páhtmohs**, where he recorded The Revelation "which The God gave to-him in-order-to-show the bondslaves of-His what things are absolutely necessary to come to pass [Evw/loc.tm., Bauer p.807] in-a-short-time" (Rev. 1:1b,c). He wrote of The Lord Jesus Christ's appearance in Heaven, then added His written messages to the seven churches which represent the seven stages of His church during the time between Pentecost and The Rapture (Rev. 1:20-3:22).

Then John recorded his heavenly vision of what he observed in Heaven after The Rapture, during the seven plus years that followed The Rapture of The Church both in Heaven and on Earth (Rev. 4:1-10:11). Firstly was the appearance of the four living beings (ch. 4); followed by the opening of the scroll (ch.5) with seven seals opened by The Only One worthy, The Lion of The Tribe of Judah, The Lamb (cf. Jn. 1:29,36); then the content of the sealed scroll with seven angels sounding trumpets (chs. 6-10).

Then John prophesied again (Rev. 10:11-22:21) concerning the last 360 days or 3.5 years or 42 months before The Revelation of Him returning to Earth (Rev. 11:2,3; 12:6). Following that John explained the events that shall take place during the last three and a half years unto the end of The Tribulation and The Final resurrection of The Tribulation-Saints. Then The Millennial Reign of The Lord Jesus Christ over all the Earth shall begin and the Earth shall experience perfect Peace for a thousand years (Rev. 20:6).

After the Millennium, Satan shall be released from the Abyss, also called The Bottomless Pit). (Rev. 20:7-16).

"And whenever the thousand years [culm.aor.pass.subjv.]be-finished[paid], /Satan shall-be-loosed out-of his /protective-guardhouse, 8And he-shall-exit to-mislead the nations, the-ones [loc. ev] within-the-four-corners of-the Earth, the Gog and the Magog, of whom the number / \/of-them\ |is| as the sand of-the sea, in-order-togather-them-together for-the-purpose-of /\/the\war. 9And they-ascended upon the breadth of the Earth. And they-surrounded the fortress of the saints and The Beloved /City. And fire descended out-of The Heaven from The God. And it-devoured them 10 And the devil who misled them was-being-cast into The Lake of-The Fire and Brimstone [burning-sulphur], where / \/also\ the beast and the false prophet are. And they-shall-be-tortured [grievously-pained] daytime and nighttime for ever and evermore. 11 And I-beheld The Heaven [cons. perf. pass. ptcp.] standing-being-opened. And lo a-white horse! and The-One sitting upon him is-being-titled[summoned] Faithful and Genuine. And with[instr. ev] righteousness [hist.pres]Hejudges and wages-war. 12 Now the eyes of-His [as]\\ a-flameof-fire! and upon the head of-His many diadems and [BMT and TR Mss.div]/names [cons.perf.pass.pctp.] standing-being-written [cons. perf. pass. ptcp.] standing-being-written! and\ a-name [cons. perf. pass.part] standing-beingwritten, which not-one+ perceives except Himself, 13 and an-outer-garment [cons perf ptcp] having-been-dipped in-blood having-been-cast-around |Him| and His /name is-being-titled[summoned], The Word of The God![nom.excl] 14 And the armies, [the-ones] in The Heaven /the-ones\ [cons.perf.pass.part]standing-being-clothed-with |clothes| made of clean, /and\ white fine linen[special species of flax], were-continually-following Him upon white horses.

15 And a two-edged, sharp, large-broadsword [aorc.pres mid] of itself-proceeds-out of His/mouth in-order-that He-smite the nations [instr. &v] by-means-of it. And Himself, He-shall-shepherd them [instr. &v] by-means-of a-sceptre of iron. And Himself, [aorc. pres] treads the winepress of the wine of the passionate-wrath and of the anger of The God, The Almighty. 16 And He-has [aorc.pres] a-name [cons.perf.ptcpstanding-written upon the outer-garment and upon the thigh of His, KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS' (Rev. 20:7-16 APT).

When Satan is released then he shall mislead and gather together the nations throughout the four corners of The Earth, all those who had reluctantly bowed and outwardly submitted to The Lord Jesus Christ during His Millennial Reign, but were inwardly unhappy, dissatisfied, and resentful. After gathering these millennial-born, surreptitious people together to fight The Final World War. They shall surround the fortress of the saints and The Belov'ed City. But Fire from Heaven shall descend and devour them. Then the counterfeit trinity of the end time shall be cast into The Lake of Fire and be tortured daytime and nighttime for ever and evermore.

Conclusion: After briefly reviewing what we have considered thus far concerning The Lord Jesus Christ, The Prince of Peace, we summarized our last lesson. Then we considered When He Comes Again and answered two questions: A. How Shall He Come? and B. What Shall Take Place After He Comes?

A. How Shall He Come? (1 Thes. 4:16,17; 1 Cor. 15:52-57).

There are two stages to The Lord Jesus Christ's Coming Again, referred to in Scripture as His Coming Presence.

- 1. The First Stage of His Coming Presence is considered in two factors: The Descent of The Savior and The Ascent of The Disciple-Saints.
- a. The Descent of The Savior to the Air. At the time determined by The Father, The Lord Jesus Christ Himself shall join the most beautiful trio that shall resound and penetrate the stratosphere and then into the atmosphere, which covers the clouds and the air, seven miles out from the surface of The Earth. This shall first reach the ears of the the dead buried, regenerated disciples and they shall immediately rise into the sky with incorruptible bodies.
- b. The Ascent of The Regenerated Disciple-Saints into The Air to meet their Lord, Master, and Bridegroom. After the resurrected dead disciples are lifted into the air, then all the physically living regenerated disciples shall be changed and clothed with incorruptible and immortal bodies and immediately are lifted up to join the resurrected ones in the clouds and immediately meet The Lord Jesus Christ in the air to be taken together with Him to be together throughout the remaining time and through all Eternity.

B. What Shall Take Place After He Comes in The Air for His Bride?

When The Lord Jesus Christ takes His Bride to Heaven, the first matter to take place when we arrive in Heaven is individual Judgment of every disciple one by one before The **Báymah**, The Lord Jesus Christ's Judgment Seat on steps (Rom. 14:10-12). Every one individually must stand, bow, and give an account by word for and concerning himself or herself as to the production of fruit through one's own life since being regenerated and becoming The Lord Jesus Christ's disciple (2 Cor. 5:8-11).

Here the Apostle Paul is dealing with another phase of ministering The Gospel in which every disciple-saint is responsible to be a participant if he or she is to obey and become actively engaged therein (Mt. 28:19,20). Each one claiming to be His child shall be held accountable for active participation in being discipled and discipling some individual(s). Every true child of The God shall surely face this accountability in fair and just

judgment individually before The whole Church and shall retrieve or receive back again the things in accord to what was practiced and accomplished on Earth in our obedience to His Commands whether productive or worthless, or counter-productive by evil deeds. This shall occur immediately after The Church arrives in Heaven when The Lord Jesus Christ raptures Her. Shall you and I receive compensation for this labor and personal participation in discipleship and planting and sowing The Seed of The God? Or shall we suffer loss and forfeit compensation? The Just and Faithful God has provided for each one of His disciple-saints to receive praise for whatever worthy thing(s) we have done which shall remain after the Fire of Judgment burns out. He shall find and remember to mention what a human may consider as small and insignificant as well as what humans may consider as great things at the close of the trial. These things The Lord Jesus Christ shall praise before all the disciple-saints. But every individual shall receive some praise uttered by God before all the saints (1 Cor. 4:5). 1. The Second Stage of His Coming Presence: The Revelation (2 Thes. 1:6-10). The Lord Jesus shall be revealed to the people on Earth with His Army of Angels and His redeemed, discipled-saints, and their combined miraculous power in a Flame of fire to defeat Satan and all his cohorts, then set up His Millennial Kingdom. Then all the saints that were

being afflicted, put under pressure back on Earth, shall receive relaxation.

Then later in Second Thessalonians, Paul wrote of The Restricting One on Earth during the time from Pentecost until The Rapture, Who is The Holy Spirit. He shall be taken-up with The Church of discipled saints out of the midst, no longer to restrain the rampageousness of sin, destruction, and warfare everywhere on Earth (2 Thes. 2:3,4,6-12).

When The Holy Spirit has been removed from the midst of the Earth along with The Church, all restraining and restriction shall cease, therefore the Lawless One shall be revealed. The Man of Sin, who is the anti-Christ, the beast-out-of the-sea, who also is the-secondperson-of-counterfeit-trinity-of-the-end-time. If the present corruption and destruction all over the world by people in our present time is terrible and overwhelming, even while The Restricting One, The Holy Spirit is present and active, and Christ's disciples (His Church) are proclaiming The Truth, how terrible it will be on Earth when both shall be taken out of the world and away to Heaven, resulting in no further hindrance of advancing wickedness! Should not we, all who claim to be His disciples make greater effort each and every day to spread His Truth, especially to our loved ones and friends as well to the world?

Then we briefly considered what John revealed that shall take place an Earth after the Rapture (Rev. 4:1-10:11). Then John recorded his heavenly vision of what he observed in Heaven after The Rapture, during the seven plus years that followed both in Heaven and on Earth (Rev. 4:1-10:11). Firstly was the appearance of the four living beings (ch. 4); followed by the opening of the scroll (ch. 5) with seven seals opened by The Only One worthy, The Lion of The Tribe of Judah, The Lamb (cf. Jn. 1:29,36); then the content of the sealed scroll with seven angels sounding trumpets (chs. 6-10).

Then he prophesied again (Rev. 10:11-22:21) concerning the last 360 days or 3.5 years or 42 months before The Revelation or The Coming Presence of the Lord Jesus Christ returning back to Earth (Rev. 11:2,3; 12:6) and following that unto the end of The Millennial Reign of The Lord Jesus Christ over all the Earth in perfect peace (Rev. 20:6).

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the last three and a half years unto the end of The Tribulation and The Final resurrection of The Tribulation Saints. Following that John explained the events that shall take place during the last three and a half years unto the end of The Tribulation and The Final resurrection of The Tribulation Saints. Then The Millennial Reign of The Lord Jesus Christ over all the Earth shall begin and the Earth shall experience perfect Peace for a thousand years (Rev. 20:6).

After the Millennium, Satan shall be released from the Abyss, also called The Bottomless Pit (Rev. 20:7-16). When this takes place he shall mislead and gather together the nations throughout the four corners of The Earth. All these millennial-born, surreptitious humans who had reluctantly bowed and outwardly submitted to The Lord Jesus Christ during His Millennial Reign, but were inwardly unhappy, dissatisfied, and resentful. After they shall surround the fortress of the saints and The Belov'ed City. But Fire from Heaven shall descend and devour them. Then the counterfeit trinity of the end time shall be cast into The Lake of Fire and be tortured daytime and nighttime for ever and evermore.

With all of these awesome, dreadful, solemn, and consequential events certain to take place in the future, all of which assuredly shall occur and many of which shall surely affect us in Time and in Eternity, how seriously we, each one of us, are to consider how we are to live each day the remainder of our lives! For each one shall surely give full account before The Lord Jesus Christ in judgment before one or the other of His final trials, either on one hand in front of The Báymah in Heaven as soon as we arrive there for the evaluation of all our works and production through discipleship in assisting Him in building His Church or lack of such, or on the other hand if anyone did not commit complete, persistent trust in and to him, in front of The Great White Throne in outer space at the end of time for determination of how intense our suffering in The Lake of Fire shall be for all Eternity according to one's works. We trust that the latter shall not be so for you but that you shall stand with us observing the trial and weeping for you because you did not heed our admonition and spiritual teaching of full Salvation through repentance, total persistent trust in and to The Lord Jesus Christ and persistent discipleship of yourself and to others whom became disciples through your efforts to add precious stones to the building to His Church.

Application: What shall you and I do the rest of our lives to please Him, The Prince of Peace, first by becoming proper judicial witnesses to The Lord Jesus Christ by conveying to others The Whole Truth and nothing but the Truth, nor short thereof? Then in return for all He has done for us shall we prove our progress in spiritual growth by repeatedly finding those who need and desire to become His Disciples and then disciple them to grow in The Lord Jesus Christ, persistently developing them unto spiritual maturity through being personally discipled and thus be sure of re-trieving some compensation [reward] (1 Cor. 3:14 APT) and thus receive a Disciple's Crown (Phil. 4:1) and an Incorruptible Crown (1 Cor. 9:25)? DFW

For next week: We shall begin the second phase of the series on The Lord Jesus Christ as PRINCE, PROPHET, AND PRIEST. Please read an meditate upon: THE PRINCE OF ABSOLUTE LIFE Part 1(Acts 3:15; Jn. 1:1-3 cf. Gen. 1:1,27; 5:1; Ps. 33:6,9; 148:5; Eph. 3:8-10; Col. 1:15,16; Rev. 4:11; Jn. 4:31,32; Mk.