

# Don't Ignore the Signs

Matthew 16:1-3

Jesus rebuked the Pharisee's because they could tell the weather by.....

A sign is a \_\_\_\_\_, pointing to something beyond itself.

In God's Word signs point to a person..... Past signs in the O.T.

The word "sign" is the 1<sup>st</sup> used in **Genesis 1:14**

***And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years:***

God gave a "Rainbow" as a sign of His love and promise never..... Genesis 9:12-13

The 10 plagues of Egypt pointed to God's judgment. **Exodus 4:8**

***And it shall come to pass, if they will not believe thee, neither hearken to the voice of the first sign, that they will believe the voice of the latter sign.***

Past signs in the N.T.

Many of the signs in the N.T. pointed to the life and ministry of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus' birth was accompanied by signs. **Luke 2:12**

***And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.***

Jonah was a sign of Jesus'..... Matthew 12:38-40

In Matthew 24, Mark 13 and Luke 21 Jesus gave signs pointing to this coming again.

Please turn to Luke 21

Key thought: In these days in which we're living we don't need to drop our heads in \_\_\_\_\_ or shake our heads in \_\_\_\_\_ but as God's people we need to LIFT up our heads in \_\_\_\_\_ for Jesus is coming soon.

Remember this, as God's people, as we see the SIGNS of Christ's coming:

We can't always control everything that happens to us and we have little.....

But we can choose how we will respond in these days of Covid, moral Corruption, rising Crime, Cultural upheaval, Contempt for the life of the unborn and the Continual attack on the sanctity of home and marriage.

We can \_\_\_\_\_

We can \_\_\_\_\_

Or we can choose to live in the light of God's Blessed \_\_\_\_\_.

**Jesus is Coming Again**

Notice 3 truths about Jesus' coming again:

I. We must \_\_\_\_\_ the FACT of Jesus' coming again.

In the N.T. as important as the:

1. New birth is to our salvation..... \_\_\_\_\_ times
2. Baptism is to our obedience..... \_\_\_\_\_ times
3. Repentance is to our eternal life..... \_\_\_\_\_ times

But the 2<sup>nd</sup> coming of Jesus is mentioned in the N.T. \_\_\_\_\_ times

The O.T. looks \_\_\_\_\_ to Jesus' 1<sup>st</sup> coming

The N.T. looks \_\_\_\_\_ to Jesus' 1<sup>st</sup> coming

But ALL of God's Word from Genesis to Revelation

looks \_\_\_\_\_ to Jesus coming again. C.B.T.

II. We must \_\_\_\_\_ the VISUAL coming of Jesus coming again.

**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.**

When Jesus comes again He will come visibly.....gloriously. The eyes of the world.....

Think about this: on a typical day on this earth  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the world is.....and the other  $\frac{1}{2}$  is.....

Then all of a sudden there is a sound of a trumpet and the voice of the archangel;  
the Man who is.....

III. We must \_\_\_\_\_ the VICTORY of Jesus' coming again. Revelation

When Jesus comes again, His coming will:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ the saints as we see our.....
2. \_\_\_\_\_ the sinner as they see their.....

Key thought: when Jesus comes again He's not coming to take \_\_\_\_\_ He's coming to take \_\_\_\_\_ as King of kings and Lord of lords.

In 1980 Mt. St. Helens volcano erupted. Geologists had warned it was coming.

Grey steam and ash bellowed 1,000's of feet in the air disrupting air travel.

Radio & T.V. stations sounded the alarm. Loud speakers on police cars blared warnings.

People fled for their lives except for old Harry Truman.

The 83 year old man..... He declared "nobody knows more....."

On May 18, 1980 St. Helens erupted. The explosion leveled everything for 150 miles.

Ole Harry was..... He ignored the signs.

Key thought: Jesus gave us signs of His coming again not to \_\_\_\_\_ us  
but to \_\_\_\_\_ us for His Coming Again.

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