

What's the
Matter?



Is God always loving?



Does the second death
show God's love?



What happens at
Christ's return?



1 Thessalonians 4:16-17

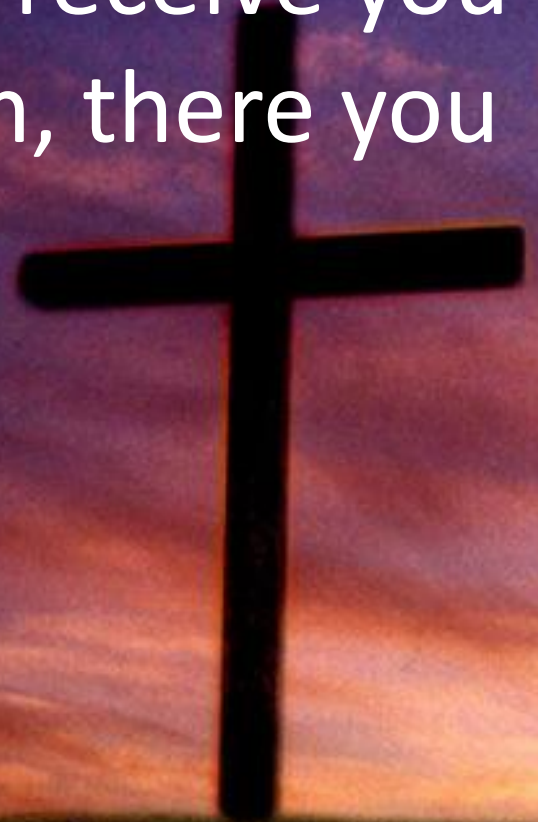
16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first.

1 Thessalonians 4:16-17

17 Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord.

John 14:3

3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also.



Revelation 6:15-17

15 And the kings of the earth, the great men, the rich men, the commanders, the mighty men, every slave and every free man, hid themselves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains,

Revelation 6:15-17

16 and said to the mountains and rocks, “Fall on us and hide us from the face of Him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb!

17 For the great day of His wrath has come, and who is able to stand?”

Luke 23:30

30 Then they will begin 'to say to the mountains, "Fall on us!" and to the hills, "Cover us!"'



Why hide?



Genesis 3:7-10

7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves coverings.

Genesis 3:7-10

8 And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden.

Genesis 3:7-10

9 Then the Lord God called to Adam and said to him, “Where are you?”

10 So he said, “I heard Your voice in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; and I hid myself.”

Genesis 3:11-12

11 And He said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you that you should not eat?”

12 Then the man said, “The woman whom You gave to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I ate.”

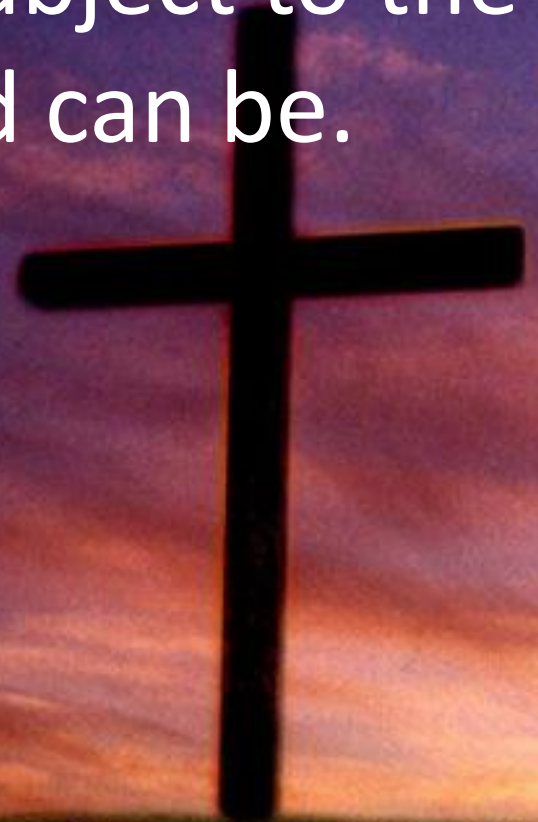
1 Timothy 2:14

14 And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived, fell into transgression.



Romans 8:7

7 Because the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be.



Ephesians 2:3

3 among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, just as the others.

We need to be saved.

From what?



Penalty
Power
Presence
Pleasure





WHAT we are,
not WHERE we are

1 John 2:15-16

15 Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

16 For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world.

James 4:4

4 Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God?

Whoever therefore wants to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.



Transformation,
not Transportation

Romans 12:2

2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

Beyond human power



Jeremiah 13:23

23 Can the Ethiopian change his skin
or the leopard its spots?
Then may you also do good who are
accustomed to do evil.

Titus 3:5

5 not by works of righteousness which
we have done, but according to His
mercy He saved us, through the
washing of regeneration and renewing
of the Holy Spirit,

Ephesians 2:8-9

8 For by grace you have been saved
through faith, and that not of
yourselves; it is the gift of God,
9 not of works, lest anyone should
boast.



What does it look like?

Do whatever you want?

Ephesians 2:10

10 For we are His workmanship,
created in Christ Jesus for good works,
which God prepared beforehand that
we should walk in them.

Titus 2:11-12

11 For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men,

12 teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age,

Why did Jesus come?



Titus 2:14

14 who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works.

1 John 3:5

5 And you know that He was
manifested to take away our sins, and
in Him there is no sin.



We need
Jesus

