



Luke 17:20 *Being asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, he answered them, "The kingdom of God is not coming in ways that can be observed, 21 nor will they say, 'Look, here it is!' or 'There!' for behold, the kingdom of God is in the midst of you."* (ESV)

1. Anticipate _____ (v.20a)

2. Expect _____ (v.20b)

3. Gather _____ (v.21a)

4. Know _____ (v.21b)

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Read **Revelation 11:15-17**; **Matthew 6:9-10**; **1 John 3:1-3** and **1 Thessalonians 2:12**. Why and how does a regular and consistent focus on our ultimate future impact the way we live now?
2. Read **Acts 14:21-22** and **John 16:33**. How do you explain the seeming contradiction of being God's beloved and cherished people, yet having to endure so much trouble in this life?
3. Read **Acts 1:6-8** and **Luke 19:11-19**. What are some of the specific daily investments you know you are to make for our King as you await the arrival of his kingdom?
4. Read **Philippians 2:9-11** and **Romans 1:16**. How can the thought of the coming reality described in Philippians 2 affect your boldness about the gospel?
5. Read **Matthew 7:21-23**. How do you know that you are truly right with the King of kings? How would you help someone else who is doubting their relationship with Christ?

This Week's Bible Reading Schedule

June 4th
2Chr. 13-16 & Jn. 14
June 5th
2Chr. 17-19 & Jn. 15
June 6th
2Chr. 20-22 & Jn. 16:1-15
June 7th
2Chr. 23-25 & Jn. 16:16-33
June 8th
2Chr. 26-28 & Jn. 17
June 9th
2Chr. 29-31 & Jn. 18:1-23
June 10th
2Chr. 32-33 & Jn. 18:24-40
June 11th
2Chr. 34-36 & Jn. 19:1-22

The following related sermons are also available for downloading or streaming on the Focal Point Website (FocalPointMinistries.org).

Msg. 14-09 – **Making Sure We Don't Miss the King**
Msg. 08-39 – **Where's the Promised Peace on Earth** (The case of the missing sigma)
Msg. 07-05 – **Motivated by Christ's Rewards at His Return**
Msg. 05-30 – **Grappling with Doubts by Revisiting God's Imprimatur on the Truth**
Msg. 10-30 – **Modern Israel & Our Jewish Messiah**
Msg. 13-28 – **When You're Ridiculed for Christ**
Msg. 14-08 – **Anticipate the Defeat of Disease**

This Sermon's Social Media Hashtag

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Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

Benware, Paul. **Understanding End Times Prophecy**. Moody Press, 1995.
Carson, D. A. and John D. Woodbridge, eds. **Scripture and Truth**. Baker Books, 1983.
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Coleman, Robert E. **The Master Plan of Evangelism**. Spire Books, 1963.
Hoyt, Herman. **The End Times**. Moody Press, 1969.
Kaiser, Walt. **The Messiah in the Old Testament**. Zondervan, 1995.
Logos Research Systems. **Logos Bible Study Software**. (www.Logos.com).
MacArthur, John. **The Second Coming: Signs of Christ's Return and the End of the Age**. Crossway Books, 2006.
Mandryk, Jason. **Operation World: The Definitive Prayer Guide to Every Nation. Seventh Edition**. Biblica Publishing, 2010.
McClain, Alva J. **The Greatness of the Kingdom: An Inductive Study of the Kingdom of God**. BMH Books, 1959.
Metzger, Will. **Tell the Truth: The Whole Gospel to the Whole Person by Whole People**. IVP, 1981.
Morgan, Christopher. **Suffering and the Goodness of God**. Crossway, 2008.
Varner, William. **The Messiah: Revealed, Rejected, Received**. Author House, 2004.
Wilkinson, Bruce. **A Life God Rewards: Why Everything You Do Today Matters Forever**. Multnomah Books, 2002.