



# **The End of the World**

**1 Thessalonians 4:13-18**  
**2 Thessalonians 1:6-10**

# Who is this?



# ROMANS 12:2

Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

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# *Finding Your **Identity** in Christ*

- You are **significant in Christ**
- You are **loved in Christ**
- You have **purpose in Christ**
- You are **forgiven in Christ**
- You are **secure in Christ**



# *The Three Worlds*



**1<sup>st</sup> World** – Creation to the Flood  
*The First Heavens and Earth*  
2 Peter 3:5-6 – **Destroyed by Water**



**2<sup>nd</sup> World** – The Flood to the  
Second Coming of Christ  
*The Present Heavens and Earth*  
2 Peter 3:7 – **Destroyed by Fire**



**3<sup>rd</sup> World** – Eternity  
*The New Heavens and Earth*  
2 Peter 3:13 – **It Never Ends!**

# Heat Championship Parade

## Biscayne Blvd



# Roman Victory Processional

The Triumph of  
Caesar Andrea  
Mantegna,  
d. 1506

“For it seems to me that God has put us apostles on display at the end of the procession, like those condemned to die in the arena. We have been made a spectacle to the whole universe, to angels as well as to human beings.”

1 Corinthians 4:9



# The Day of the Lord

## The 5 “R’s”

- 1) The **Return** of Christ
- 2) The **Resurrection** of the Dead
- 3) The **Rapture** of Believers
- 4) The **Wrath** of Fire
- 5) The **Renewal** of the Heavens & Earth

The Day of the Lord is the End of the  
World

# The Day of the Lord - Intro

Brothers and sisters, we do not want you to be uninformed about those who sleep in death, so that you do not grieve like the rest of mankind, who have no hope. <sup>14</sup> For we believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him.

<sup>15</sup> According to the Lord's word, we tell you that we who are still alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will certainly not precede those who have fallen asleep.

**1 Thessalonians 4:13-15**

# Day of the Lord #1 - The Return

“For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God” **1 Thessalonians 4:16**

“Then will appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven. And then all the peoples of the earth will mourn when they see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven, with power and great glory.

**Matthew 24:30**

“If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his Father’s glory with the holy angels.” **Mark 8:38**



# Day of the Lord #2 - The Resurrection

<sup>14</sup> For we believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him.

<sup>15</sup> According to the Lord's word, we tell you that we who are still alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will certainly not precede those who have fallen asleep.

<sup>16</sup> For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first."

**1 Thessalonians 4:14-16**



# Day of the Lord #3 - The Rapture

<sup>17</sup> After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever.

<sup>18</sup> Therefore encourage one another with these words.

**1 Thessalonians 4:17-18**



1st



2nd



Resurrection

Rapture



# The Day of the Lord #4 - The Wrath

God is just: He will pay back trouble to those who trouble you <sup>7</sup> and give relief to you who are troubled, and to us as well.

This will happen when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven in blazing fire with his powerful angels. <sup>8</sup> He will punish those who do not know God and do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. <sup>9</sup> They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might

<sup>10</sup> on the day he comes to be glorified in his holy people and to be marveled at among all those who have believed. This includes you, because you believed our testimony to you.

**2 Thessalonians 1:6-10**



# The Day of the Lord #5 - The Renewal

<sup>13</sup> But in keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, where righteousness dwells.

**2 Peter 3:13**

Then I saw “a new heaven and a new earth,” for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, . . . <sup>3</sup> And I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Look! God’s dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. <sup>4</sup> ‘He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death’ or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.”

**Revelation 21:1-4**



# Day of the Lord Applications

- 1) Living in the Truth
- 2) Grieving with Hope
- 3) Encouragement
- 4) Rejoicing
- 5) Godliness

