

# JESUS WILL RETURN WHEN “OUR ENEMY BECOMES OUR FOOTSTOOL”

*<sup>34</sup> For David did not ascend to heaven,  
and yet he said, “The Lord said to my Lord: “Sit at my right hand  
<sup>35</sup> until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet.”’*

*<sup>36</sup> “Therefore let all Israel be assured of this:  
God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified,  
both Lord and Christ.”*

**Acts 2:34-36**

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*“... and His incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is like the working of His mighty strength, <sup>20</sup> which He exerted in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, <sup>21</sup> far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every title that can be given, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. <sup>22</sup> And God placed all things under His feet and appointed Him to be head over everything for the church”*

**Ephesians 1:19-22**

# THE ONGOING WORK OF HIS THRONE

**The (Lord) Father said to Jesus (Lord)  
sit at My right side  
until I make your enemies a footstool**

**The Son sent the Spirit  
with the purpose to raise up the church  
as His choice instrument to establish  
Jesus' "rule here on earth"**

# JESUS APPEARED FOR THE PURPOSE ...

*“<sup>8</sup> He who does what is sinful is of the devil, because the devil has been sinning from the beginning.*

*The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil’s work.”*

1 John 3:8

- 1. Through his living on earth He has destroyed all “the works of the evil one”**

# JESUS APPEARED FOR THE PURPOSE ...

*“<sup>14</sup> Since the children have flesh and blood,  
he too shared in their humanity  
so that by his death he might destroy  
him who holds the power of death  
—that is, the devil—”*

**Hebrews 2:14**

- 2. Through his death on the cross,  
He rendered the devil powerless by  
removing his power of death. Through  
his death he destroyed all the power of  
the evil one.**

# JESUS APPEARED FOR THE PURPOSE ...

3. Through his resurrection He destroyed death and made it powerless. Death could not hold him in the grave.

Through his death He destroyed all the presence of the evil one.

*<sup>55</sup> “Where, O death, is your victory?  
Where, O death, is your sting?”  
... <sup>56b</sup> It’s been swallowed up in victory.”*

**1 Corinthians 15:55,56b**

# JESUS APPEARED FOR THE PURPOSE ...

4. **Through His living in us by His Spirit, He can now deliver us from the fear of death, so we are not subject to slavery all our lives.**

*“<sup>15</sup> and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death.”*

**Hebrews 2:15**

**WE RECEIVE A SPIRIT OF ADOPTION  
THAT LEADS US TO GOD THE FATHER.**

*“<sup>15</sup> For you did not receive a spirit that makes you a slave again to fear, but you received the Spirit of sonship. And by him we cry, “Abba, Father.” ”*

**Romans 8:15**

**Don't receive a spirit of slavery  
leading to death  
but you received it**

# THE CHURCH'S PURPOSE

**To make every aspect of God known to the powers and principalities.**

*“<sup>10</sup> His intent was that now, through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms,  
<sup>11</sup> according to his eternal purpose which he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord.”*

**Ephesians 3:10-11**

**The church is a company made for expressing God in all his fullness here on earth.**

# THE CHURCH'S PURPOSE

## When he ascended he gave 5 Ascension Gifts

*<sup>7</sup> But to each one of us grace has been given as Christ apportioned it. <sup>8</sup> This is why it says: "When he ascended on high, he led captives in his train and gave gifts to men."*

**Ephesians 4:7-8**

*<sup>11</sup> It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers,*

*<sup>13</sup> until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.*

**Ephesians 4:11, 13**

**Mature man to the stature  
of the fullness of Christ.**

# THE CHURCH'S PURPOSE

**Building a throne,  
on earth called Zion to rule from**

*"<sup>2</sup> The LORD will extend  
your mighty scepter from Zion;  
you will rule in the midst of your enemies."*

**Psalm 110:2**

*"<sup>3</sup> Many peoples will come and say,  
"Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,  
to the house of the God of Jacob.  
He will teach us His ways,  
so that we may walk in His paths."  
The law will go out from Zion,  
the Word of the LORD from Jerusalem."*

**Isaiah 2:3**

# FINALLY JESUS WILL PRESENT THE KINGDOM TO THE FATHER

*“<sup>25</sup> For He must reign  
until he has put all his enemies under His feet.*

*<sup>28</sup> When He has done this,  
then the Son himself will be made subject to him  
who put everything under him,  
so that God may be all in all.”*

**1 Corinthians 15:25, 28**

*“The kingdoms of the world have become the  
kingdoms of our Lord and of his Christ,  
and He will reign for ever and ever”*

**Revelations 11:15**

# COMMUNION

**“The blood is for you”**

**By Carmen.**

# YOUR ENEMY (DEVIL) WILL BECOME YOUR FOOTSTOOL

## Salvation/Deliverance

*“<sup>12</sup> Therefore, my dear friends, as you have always obeyed—not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence—continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, <sup>13</sup> for it is God who works in you to will and to act according to his good purpose.”*

**Philippians 2:12-13**

**We must learn to set ourselves free**

# WHATEVER THE STORM YOU FACE – TURN TO JESUS

*“<sup>37</sup> A furious squall came up,  
and the waves broke over the boat,  
so that it was nearly swamped.*

*<sup>38</sup> Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion.  
The disciples woke him and said to him,  
“Teacher, don’t you care if we drown?”*

*<sup>39</sup> He got up, rebuked the wind  
and said to the waves, “Quiet! Be still!”*

*Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.*

*<sup>40</sup> He said to his disciples, “Why are you so afraid?  
Do you still have no faith?”*

*<sup>41</sup> They were terrified and asked each other,  
“Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!” ”*

**Mark 4:37-41**

# STORMS WILL COME TO US ALL

*“24 “Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock.*

*25 The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had its foundation on the rock.*

*26 But everyone who hears these words of mine and does not put them into practice is like a foolish man who built his house on sand.*

*27 The rain came down, the streams rose, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell with a great crash.” ”*

**Matthew 7:24-27**

**Deliverance will come to those  
who put Christ into practice**

## 2 CHOICES BEFORE THE STORM COMES

**You either put God's Word  
into practice or you don't.**

**You either build your life  
on a rock or on sand.**

***Building your life  
on a rock  
makes the enemy your footstool***

**“Deliverance is not measured  
by how many spirits you cast out,  
but the ability and grace  
to bring the Deliverer (Jesus Christ)  
into your spirit and life.”**

*Dr Jonathan David*