- 11 "This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." (Acts 1:11)
- 12 "Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my recompense with me, to repay everyone for what he has done." (Rev.22:12)
- ⁴² he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. (Acts 10:42)
- ⁷ when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with his mighty angels 8 in flaming fire, inflicting vengeance on those who do not know God and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. ⁹ They will suffer the punishment of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might. (2 Thess.1:7-9)
- ²⁸ Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him. (Heb.9:28)
- ²¹ "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven.' (Matt.7:21)
- ¹³ the fire will test what sort of work each one has done. 14 If the work that anyone has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. 15 If anyone's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire. (1 Cor.3:13-15)
- ²⁸ for an hour is coming when all who are in the tombs will hear his voice 29 and come out, those who have done good to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil to the resurrection of judgment. (John 5:28-29)
- ¹⁶ And the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷ Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. (1 Thess.4:16-17)
- 32 "But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. 33 Be on guard, keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come. (Mark 13:32-33)
- ¹² The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. 13 Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. (Rom.13:12-13)
- ²⁴ And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, 25 not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near. (Heb.10:24-25)

Truth for Life: the RETURN

"Get your things ready, boys, the Boss may come today."

WHAT will happen?

- return ¹
- recompense ²
 - for everyone
 - for unbelievers
 - for believers
- resurrection ³
- reunion ⁴
- renewal ⁵

WHEN will it happen?

- secret ⁶
- sudden ⁷
- soon ⁸

HOW do we get ready?

- stay awake 9
- keep going 10
- wait eagerly 11
- serve faithfully ¹²
- be godly ¹³
- endure patiently 14
- encourage spiritually 15

¹ Acts 1:11; 1 Thess.4:16; 1 Jn 3:2; Rev.1:7; 21:17

² Rev.22:12; Matt.25:31-32; Acts 10:42; 1 Pet.4:5; James 5:9; Acts 17:31; Rom.2:5; 2 Thess.1:7; Isa.62:11; Heb.9:28; Rom.8:1; Matt.7:21-23; Rom.14:10; 1 Cor.3:13-15; Rom.2:16

³ In 5:28-29

⁴ 1 Thess.4:16-17

⁵ Acts 3:21; Eph.1:10; Rev.21:1; Rom.8:19-22

⁶ Mk 13:32

⁷ 1 Thess.5:2 8 Rev.1:3; 22:7,12,20; 2 Pet.3:9

⁹ Acts 17:30; Matt.24:42; 25:1-13; 2 Pet.3:4

¹⁰ Rev.3:11; 1 Pet.4:7

¹¹ Phil.3:20; 1 Thess.1:9-10; Heb.9:28

¹² Matt.25:1-30

^{13 1} Pet.4:7; Rom.13:13

¹⁴ James 5:7-11 15 Heb.10:24-25