

# The King is Coming – Part 1

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## 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

### The objective of the teaching

- Awareness
- Preparedness

**Definition: Eschatology - escatos “last” and logos “the Word”**

**Meaning “the doctrine of last things”.**

Riddlebarger states, “Most often eschatology is understood as referring to events which are still future, both in relation to the individual Christian and the course of world history. With regard to the individual, eschatology is concerning with physical death, immortality, and the intermediate state - the state of a person between death and when all people will be resurrected at the end of the age. In terms of world history, eschatology deals with the return of Christ, the bodily resurrection at the end of the age, the final judgement, and the eternal state.”

True understanding of the “doctrine of last things” (**biblical eschatology**) requires looking not merely at the future but also examining the present.

What Jesus Christ has **DONE** is critical to understanding what Jesus Christ will do in the future.

### The positioning of the believer

- Retention of the Word of God (**Psalms 119:105, 113-120**)
- Sobriety (**1 Peter 4:7**)
- Security (**1 Thessalonians 1:4-10; 5:9-10**)
- Protected (**Ephesians 6:10-12**)
- Expectant (**Acts 1:9-11**)