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The Coming King, March 20 - 2016

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 - How has the Gospel been a **Blessing** to you this week?
 - What are you hearing from God as you **Listen** to the Spirit & read God's Word, the Bible?
 - Who have you had an opportunity to **Eat** with this week to build relationship?
 - Who has God led you to **Serve** this week?
 - In what ways have you been able to **Share** about Jesus this week?
2. What comes to mind when you think about the second coming of Jesus Christ? Does this excite you, concern or confuse you? What was most helpful about this message for you?
3. Read 2 Peter 3:1-14. Make a list of the things that take place when Christ returns. What do you find most compelling?
4. Read v. 9. What is God's motive for delaying the return of Christ. How does this make you feel?
5. How could living in light of the return of Jesus make a difference in the choices you make and how you spend your time? How does it address the issue of complacency, wrong thinking, and living like there is no God?
6. What does it mean to "make every effort to live peaceful lives, pure, and blameless in God's sight"? How does the second coming encourage this?
7. Read Isaiah 65:17, 66:22. How do these passages confirm what Peter is telling us in his letter about the end of the world as we know it?
8. Read Revelation 21 and 22 and prayerfully reflect on what you see described in these passages. How does this picture give you hope today? How does this impact you in the following spheres?
 - Home
 - Work or school
 - Life choices
 - Investment of time, \$, and gifts.
9. **Going Deeper:** Cross reference Matt. 24 with 2 Peter 3. How do these passages describe the end times?



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SEQUOIA NOTES

Today's Sequoia @10:10 Message...

The Coming King

With Ryan Dawson, Lead Pastor
Palm Sunday - March 20, 2016



2 Peter 3:1-14 This is my second letter to you, dear friends, and in both of them I have tried to stimulate your wholesome thinking and refresh your memory. ²I want you to remember what the holy prophets said long ago and what our Lord and Saviour commanded through your apostles. ³Most importantly, I want to remind you that in the last days scoffers will come, mocking the truth and following their own desires. ⁴They will say, "What happened to the promise that Jesus is coming again? From before the times of our ancestors, everything has remained the same since the world was first created." ⁵They deliberately forget that God made the heavens long ago by the word of his command, and he brought the earth out from the water and surrounded it with water. ⁶Then he used the water to destroy the ancient world with a mighty flood. ⁷And by the same word, the present heavens and earth have been stored up for fire. They are being kept for the day of judgment, when ungodly people will be destroyed. ⁸But you must not forget this one thing, dear friends: A day is like a thousand years to the Lord, and a thousand years is like a day. ⁹The Lord isn't really being slow about his promise, as some people think. No, he is being patient for your sake. He does not want anyone to be destroyed, but wants everyone to repent. ¹⁰But the day of the Lord will come as unexpectedly as a thief. Then the heavens will pass away with a terrible noise, and the very elements themselves will disappear in fire, and the earth and everything on it will be found to deserve judgment. ¹¹Since everything around us is going to be destroyed like this, what holy and godly lives you should live, ¹²looking forward to the day of God and hurrying it along. On that day, he will set the heavens on fire, and the elements will melt away in the flames. ¹³But we are looking forward to the new heavens and new earth he has promised, a world filled with God's righteousness. ¹⁴And so, dear friends, while you are waiting for these things to happen, make every effort to be found living peaceful lives that are pure and blameless in his sight.

2 Peter 1:3 "By his divine power, God has given us everything we need for living a godly life. We have received all of this by coming to know him, the one who called us to himself by means of his marvellous glory and excellence."

Romans 8:1 "For there is no condemnation for those in Christ Jesus."

John 1:4-5 "The Word gave life to everything that was created, and his life brought light to everyone. The light shines in the darkness and the darkness can never extinguish it."

Big Idea: Live in light of the second coming of Jesus Christ.

The Translation of the Bible Scriptures used in today's 10:10 service are from the New Living Translation(NLT).