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INTRODUCTION & REVIEW

When the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven, He will deal out eternal punishment to unbelievers, but share His eternal glory with His saints.

THE APOCALYPSE IS DESCRIBED IN 3 WAYS

- 1. The Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven.
- 2. He comes with His mighty angels.
- 3. He comes in flaming fire.

1. THE LORD JESUS WILL BE REVEALED FROM HEAVEN IN A MIGHTY DISPLAY OF POWER AND GLORY.

Remember... Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to constantly apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Phil. 2:12-13; 1 Tim. 4:7-9; Jam 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions: How does God want my beliefs/actions to change? How can I accomplish this change? What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

The Coming Of The Lord

• "coming" of the Lord - "parousia" – presence 1 Thess. 2:19; 3:13; 4:15; 5:23; 2 Thess. 2:1, 8

• His "appearing" - "epiphaneia" – epiphany 1 Tim. 6:14; 2 Tim. 4:1, 8; Titus 2:13

• Christ will be *"revealed" – apokalupsis –* uncovering manifesting what was previously hidden or secret Views the return of Christ in relation to unbelievers. Rom. 2:5; 16:25; 1 Cor. 14:6; 2 Cor. 12:1, 7; Gal. 1:12; Eph. 3:3

2. WHEN JESUS IS REVEALED FROM HEAVEN, HE WILL DEAL OUT ETERNAL PUNISHMENT TO UNBELIEVERS.

2 Thess. 1:6

A. God's judgment on unbelievers is absolutely righteous. Psa 98:9; 2 Tim. 4:8; Rev 19:1-2; Gen. 18:25; Heb. 4:13; Rom. 2:6; 3:19

B. Unbelievers "do not know God" and "do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus."

Gentiles "do not know God" (1 Thess. 4:5)

"those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus" refers to the Jews.

C. Unbelievers will suffer terrifying, irreversible, eternal affliction and punishment when Christ is revealed.

God will repay them with *"affliction" – thlipsis* - v. 6 He will deal out *"vengeance" - ekdikēsis* - to them - v. 8

3. WHEN JESUS IS REVEALED FROM HEAVEN, HE WILL SHARE HIS ETERNAL GLORY WITH HIS SAINTS.

There will be relief from the affliction of persecution (v. 7; "relief" – anesin - the pain relief medicine got its name