

1 Thessalonians 5:1-6 NASB95

Now as to the periods and times, brothers and sisters, you have no need of anything to be written to you.

² For you yourselves know full well that the day of the Lord is coming just like a **thief** in the **night**.

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³ While they are saying, “Peace and safety!” then sudden destruction will come upon them like labor pains upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape.

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⁴ But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness, so that the day would overtake you like a thief; ⁵ for you are all sons of light and sons of day. We are not of night nor of darkness; ⁶ so then, let's not sleep as others do, but let's be alert and sober.

Don't be deceived!

If there was deception in Jesus' day, we must certainly be on guard in our day. Don't miss what God is doing in front of you because you're buried in what can never save you. Live in the light of Christ, no matter the season we find ourselves in!

Luke 12:54-56 NASB95

And He was also saying to the crowds, “Whenever you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, ‘A shower is coming,’ and so it turns out. ⁵⁵ And whenever you feel a south wind blowing, you say, ‘It will be a hot day,’ and it turns out that way.

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⁵⁶ You hypocrites! You know how to analyze the appearance of the earth and the sky, but how is it that you do not know how to analyze this present time?

Genesis 8:22 NASB95

"While the earth remains, Seedtime and harvest, And cold and heat, And summer and winter, And day and night Shall not cease."

You Ready?

While the world is clamoring over what is going on and how to respond, are you thinking of your responsibility as a child of God, an ambassador of Christ, the bride of Christ.

Children of Hope

Do you have any hope?

**Does any one around you
know it?**

**Fight the urge to run around
telling everyone the sky is
going to fall and instead
share the Gospel of Jesus
Christ!**

Luke 14:7-15 NASB95

And He began speaking a parable to the invited guests when He noticed how they had been picking out the places of honor at the table, saying to them,

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⁸ "When you are invited by someone to a wedding feast, do not take the place of honor, for someone more distinguished than you may have been invited by him,

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⁹ and he who invited you both will come and say to you, 'Give your place to this man,' and then in disgrace you proceed to occupy the last place.

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¹⁰ "But when you are invited, go and recline at the last place, so that when the one who has invited you comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will have honor in the sight of all who are at the table with you.

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¹¹ "For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

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¹² And He also went on to say to the one who had invited Him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, otherwise they may also invite you in return and that will be your repayment.

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¹³ "But when you give a reception, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, ¹⁴ and you will be blessed, since they do not have the means to repay you; for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

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¹⁵ When one of those who were reclining at the table with Him heard this, he said to Him, "Blessed is everyone who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!"

Luke 14:16-24 NASB95

¹⁶ But He said to him, "A man was giving a big dinner, and he invited many; ¹⁷ and at the dinner hour he sent his slave to say to those who had been invited, 'Come; for everything is ready now.'

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¹⁸ "But they all alike began to make excuses. The first one said to him, 'I have bought a piece of land and I need to go out and look at it; please consider me excused.' ¹⁹ "Another one said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I am going to try them out; please consider me excused.'

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²⁰ "Another one said, 'I have married a wife, and for that reason I cannot come.' ²¹ "And the slave came back and reported this to his master. Then the head of the household became angry and said to his slave, 'Go out at once into the streets and lanes of the city and bring in here the poor and crippled and blind and lame.'

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²² "And the slave said, 'Master, what you commanded has been done, and still there is room.' ²³ "And the master said to the slave, 'Go out into the highways and along the hedges, and compel them to come in, so that my house may be filled. ²⁴ 'For I tell you, none of those men who were invited shall taste of my dinner.'"

The Whole Point

It all points to Christ

Revelation 19:7-9 NASB95

Let's rejoice and be glad and give the glory to Him, because the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His bride has prepared herself." ⁸ It was given to her to clothe herself in fine linen, bright and clean; for the fine linen is the righteous acts of the saints.

Revelation 19:7-9 NASB95

⁹ Then he said to me, “Write: ‘Blessed are those who are invited to the wedding feast of the Lamb.’” And he said to me, “These are the true words of God.”