\*\* (Note: All Bible Quotes Are Taken From The Original King James Version)

### Subject: Are you Ready To Receive Jesus?

Salvation is free. Jesus paid the price for us to be saved, and all we have to do is to receive Jesus Christ. We receive Jesus when we obey His gospel. Salvation means to be delivered from sin, which will deliver us from death. If you acquire salvation, the death of the physical body will simply be a rest. Salvation will deliver us from the second death, which is eternal torment.

When you have salvation in Jesus Christ, you will live again. When Jesus returns the second time He will resurrect those who are saved from their rest, and those who are saved and alive will meet them to be greeted by Jesus and taken to heaven to meet God. When you acquire salvation in Christ, you will be in this group.

When you are saved, you are born again and this will give you the motivation to look for Jesus when He returns. Folk who are not saved will not look for Jesus when He returns; they will look for a place to hide because of their sins. Sin causes you to be ashamed before Jesus, and you will not be able to face Him when He appears.

Prior to Adam's sin, he would meet God everyday to have fellowship with God in the Garden of Eden, but after his sin, he could not face God. Listen to Genesis 3:8:

Verse 8 - And they heard the voice of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God amongst the trees of the garden.

Some may feel that it is okay to go to church to worship with sin in their lives. However, when Jesus returns, their sins will make them ashamed to receive Jesus.

### Subject: Are You Living In A Holy Place?

You can only be ready to receive Jesus when He returns when you are standing in the holy place. God put Adam and Eve in a holy place, which was the Garden of Eden. When they disobeyed God's commandment, they lost their holy place. When they lost their holy place, they were no longer in the presence of God.

A holy place is the presence of God. You are only living in the presence of God when you obey His commandments. When you are not in the holy place, you are in the shadow of evil. When Jesus returns, those who are living in the shadow of evil will be left behind.

#### **Subject: A Time Of Trouble:**

Daniel prophesied that in the last days when the people who wanted to be saved would see the abomination of desolation that they should stand in the holy place. The prophet Daniel declared that a time would come in the last days that would be such an evil time that their very worship services to God would be an abomination to God.

This means that God would despise the church services that people attend. At such time, God would not be calling people to get together in a church to worship, but God would be saving people as individuals. Their salvation would not be given by God to them in local churches, but the kingdom of heaven would be found in them. Listen to St. Luke 17:20-21:

- Verse 20 And when he was demanded of the Pharisees, when the kingdom of God should come, he answered them and said, *The kingdom of God cometh not with observation:*
- Verse 21 Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you.

This means the gift of salvation would be placed in you and not in a local church.

# Subject: Sudden Destruction Will Not Be For The Saved People:

Now, we get warnings concerning many things in the world, such as weather conditions, and other events of life. However, there is an event that is going to take place and the only warning we will get is in the word of God. Sudden destruction is coming upon every human being on earth that is living in sin. Listen to this scripture in I Thessalonians 5:4-6:

- Verse 4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief.
- Verse 5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.
- Verse 6 Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober.

This scripture is making reference to those who are saved. When you are saved, you are not in darkness. To live in darkness means to be not informed about the coming event. Destruction is not coming to the saved people. God is going to evacuate them in good time, as He did Lot and his family before the destruction came to Sodom. It is not the will of God that the people of God be frightened or horrified by the sight of the destruction. It is the will of God that saved people have peace, happiness, security, and comfort. Therefore, they will be gently removed from the scene in plenty of time.

# Subject: Christ Will Transform The Remains Of Those Who Are Saved:

When we repent of our sins, we have nothing to give to God, but the remains of a life of sin. Sin mars the body and soul and leaves us with very little to be of service for God. Nevertheless, when Christ comes into our lives He cleanses us from sin and removes it from us altogether. Christ then patches up our bodies and dwells in us to preserve us from sin entering again that we might receive relief from the pain and penalty of sin.

Christ will preserve our remains from sin in this state until He comes back to the earth to transform our remains into new bodies that will never be subject to sin, affections, nor death. The entire operation of salvation is for the purpose of restoring life for us with the remains of our lives that sin has abused. All this is done by grace that God has extended to a sinner who is willing to repent.

A person who wants to be saved should never be important in his or her own eyes, and feel that they can win a popularity contest for God. They should appreciate the grace of God with a humble and grateful spirit knowing that the plan of salvation is freely given to all who repent desiring never to practice sin again.

God is merciful and longsuffering towards a sinner who desires to repent, and is not willing that any should perish, but we are not hurting God by using His love for the wrong purposes. It simply means that such people who misunderstand God's love are rejecting it through ignorance and heaven will be full without them.