EVENTS AT THE COMING OF CHRIST

(John 14:1-6)

1. THE SECOND COMING OF JESUS

- 1) We have the assurance of His coming.

 (John 14:3) "I will come again"; (Acts 1:9-11) "this same Jesus ... will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven"; (Philippians 3:20); (1Thessalonians 4:16) "For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven ... "
- 2) Condition of the world at His return: (Matthew 24:37-39) "as in the days of Noah ... did not know until the flood came and took them all away"
- 3) The sign of His coming: (Matthew 24:30-31) "Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven ... clouds ... His angels ... sound of a trumpet ... "
- 4) The heavenly signs continued:

Without warning: (2 Peter 3:10) " ... will come as a thief in the night"
On the clouds: (Matthew 26:64) "the Son of Man ... coming on clouds ... "
Visibly: (Revelation 1:7) "Behold, He is coming with clouds,
and every eye will see Him ... "
With sound: (1 Thessalonians 4:16) "a shout ... voice ... trumpet of God"
In flaming fire: (2 Thessalonians 1:7-8) "the Lord Jesus is
revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, in flaming fire ... "

2. THE GRAND RESURRECTION OF THE DEAD

- 1) Many Scriptures inform us of a resurrection at Jesus' return.

 (John 5:28-29; Acts 24:15; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18)
- 2) (1 Corinthians 15:12-20) (v12) "... how do some among you say that there is no resurrection of the dead?"

 (v13) "then Christ is not risen" (v14) "then our preaching is empty, and your faith is also empty" (v15) "and we are found false witnesses"

 (v17) "your faith is futile and you are still in your sins" (v19) "we are of all men the most pitiable" (v20) "But now Christ is risen from the dead"
- 3) What the Scriptures reveal about the resurrected body.

(Philippians 3:20-21) "will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body" (1 John 3:2) "it has not yet been revealed what we shall be ... when He is revealed, we shall be like Him ... "
(1 Corinthians 15:35-38) "and with what body do they come? ...
(v38) "But God gives it a body as He pleases"
(v42-44) "So also is the resurrection of the dead ... sown ... raised ... "

CLOSE: Lord willing, next week's sermon will include: the end of the heavens (earth), the great white throne judgment day, and eternity.