

“Apekdekomai (Eagerly Waiting)”

Keep Your Eyes To The Skies And Your Hearts Upon Heaven

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Romans 8:18-25; Philippians 3:20-21; Hebrews 9:24-28

The hearts of unbelievers are idolatrous, fixed upon this creation (Rom.1:25). But our hope is fixed upon Christ and the eternal heaven from which He will come. Consider today the manner in which we all in the visible church wait for the second advent of Christ, which will be personal and visible (*RP Testimony* 33.1). Is your heart fixed upon the Last Day when he will appear ... and its accompanying resurrection (Jn. 11:24)?

I. Wait Eagerly For The _____ (Appearance) Of Christ! (Heb. 9:28)

1. Christ dealt with sin _____, his second coming brings the _____ of salvation.
2. We are to be _____ somewhat here, but focused on _____ (1 Cor. 1:7).
3. Apekdekomai describes the _____ of our waiting. What do you _____?

II. Wait Eagerly For The In-_____ of _____! (Phil. 3:20)

1. The focus is on _____, where our _____ lies and our _____ is fixed.
2. Consider God's patient _____ for sinners. He _____ in upon them (1 Pe. 3:20).
3. Wait eagerly for the _____ of righteousness (Gal. 5:5) through the Spirit by _____.

III. Wait Eagerly For The _____ of your _____! (Rom. 8:19, 23, 25)

1. The _____ of God are being and will be _____ (v 14-17; Jn. 1:12).
2. Don't be afraid to _____, and look to your bodily _____ (Jn. 11:25)
3. Study the Second Coming in *Reformed Presbyterian Testimony* chapter 33.
4. Wait _____ and with _____. Live in the Already and _____!

*** Ponder the manner of our waiting for Christ's second coming as God's adopted children. Read Max Lucado's touching children's book *Coming Home* published by Crossway Books