

# The Days of Noah – We are Living in the Last Days

sermonaudio.com

*Days of Noah*

By Peter Nortier

**Bible Text:** Matthew 24:32-39; Genesis 6:11

**Preached on:** Monday, July 7, 2008

**Bible Text:** John 6:37-45; John 1:12-13

**Preached on:** Friday, January 9, 2009

## **Mercies of God Association**

1553 Knapp Street NE.

Grand Rapids, MI 49505

**Online Sermons:** [www.sermonaudio.com/merciesofgod](http://www.sermonaudio.com/merciesofgod)

It is good to see you again. We are glad to be here and we just praise the Lord for the opportunity we have of setting for thy truth as it is to men and women and boys and girls as they are.

If you have your Bibles I want you to turn back with me to the book of Matthew. I am going to bring you a series of messages this week entitled, “The Days of Noah.”

Matthew chapter 24 beginning at verse 32 down through verse 39. Follow along in your Bible if you have one. If you don’t have one, I hope there is one available for you because I want you to see what the Word of God says.

We are living in the last days before the coming of the Lord. I believe that with all my heart. There are a lot of people today that don’t believe that, but I will tell you right now. They are just as wrong as they can be.

And as we study the Word of God we find out very clearly that the days of Noah preceded the judgment of God upon this world. And our Lord told us that the days of Noah are going to precede the judgment of God upon this world again. God has judged this world already twice. He is going to judge it again the third time. And so this week we are going to look at the subject, the general subject, the days of Noah.

Matthew chapter 24 beginning at verse 32.

Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh: So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors. Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled. Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away. But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only. [Now listen to these words.] But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. For as in the

days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.<sup>1</sup>

Shall we pray?

*Our Lord, tonight sanctify this endeavor. Make it acceptable in thy sight. Give listening ears, attentive minds. And, Lord, we pray, send forth thy Word in power and do whatever work has to be done. Thank you for each one that you have brought this way. We pray, Lord, that many more will be found here in thy house before the week is out. But we leave the results in thy hands and we thank thee again for this opportunity. Now direct us as we study. Help us to grasp these things and to know them and then, Lord, to share them with others as we have the opportunity.*

*We pray now, Lord Jesus. Exalt thyself in all that is done. We ask it in thy blessed name. Amen.*

Our subject tonight, as I mentioned before, is “The Days of Noah.” And we find our lesson is going to fall into these simple categories. First of all, the importance of the days of Noah. And then we find also we see very early there is going to be the similar conditions to the days of Noah that are in existence at this present hour.

Now people, for the most part, don’t believe what God says. But I am going to tell you right now. God means what he says and he says what he means and don’t ever get away from that. And God has a purpose that he is going to carry out with regard to the light of every individual that ever exists on this earth.

Everybody here is going to fulfill the purpose of God for their life. Now God’s purpose for every individual in this life is, first of all, to know him. That is why God put you on this earth, to know him. And if you don’t know him, you are not doing what God wants you to do.

The second thing is this. The second reason we are here on this earth is not only, first of all, to know God, but, secondly, to enjoy him. And I have come into contact with people that say, “Oh, yes, I am a Christian,” but I will tell you right now, they are like a wet blanket. They just don’t have any joy. They don’t have any compassion. They don’t have any desire and everything like that.

“Yes, I am a Christian.”

Well, you would never know it by the way they act and by the way they look.

But we find our purpose on this earth is, number one, to know God, number two, to enjoy him.

---

<sup>1</sup> Matthew 24:32-39.

Now you can't enjoy God if you don't know him and so the first prerequisite is that the individual has come to know the Lord God of heaven as his own.

The third reason God puts us on this earth is to do what? To glorify him forever.

As I said before, I am going to say again. Every individual on the face of this earth is going to fulfill the purpose of God. Those that get saved are going to be saved to the praise of the glory of God's grace and those that die and go to hell are going to go to hell to the praise of God's justice because God is a God of grace. God is a God of mercy. God is a God of love. God is a God of compassion, but also God is a God of holiness. He is a God of wrath. He is a God of indignation. And I will tell you right now. He is a God of anger. He is angry with the wicked every day. He says so in his book.

Now tonight for a few moments, let's look at the importance of the days of Noah. These days, the days of Noah, existed prior to the divine intervention of God in human cares.

Now look again, Matthew chapter 24 verse 37. Here is the Lord Jesus speaking.

But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.<sup>2</sup>

Now you say, "Preacher, what in the world are you talking about?"

God intervened in the affairs of human history during the days of Noah. He is going to do the same thing at this present hour as we look at it and as we study it together.

And the second reason is this. These days existed prior to the divine intervention of God in human affairs, declared to be so by Christ himself. And then these days were determined because of the iniquity of the human race.

Now what kind of a human race existed before the flood?

All right, take your Bibles. Go back to Genesis chapter six, if you will, and see for yourself what the Word of God says. The book of Genesis chapter six and I want you to notice in verse 11.

The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence. And God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth.

---

<sup>2</sup> Matthew 24:37-39.

And God said unto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth.<sup>3</sup>

And so here we find the days of Noah existed prior to the intervention of God and we find God intervened. He intervened in the human affairs because of the iniquity of the human race.

Now the same thing is happening at this present hour. You and I have got to recognize this. This world is a wicked world. At one time America was a godly nation. Today America is a godless nation. And it is getting worse all the time. And if you are a believer here tonight I am going to ask you to do with me like I do. We are praying, "Lord, give us what we need, not what we deserve. We deserve the worst we can get. But be merciful to us and give us what we need."

You pray that way with me if you will with regard this coming election.

Then we find also, as I mentioned before, the importance of the days of Noah. They existed before the divine intervention of God in human affairs and then we find the Lord Jesus said the condition of those days are being repeated today.

My Lord is going to come and judge this earth.

Now you say, "Preacher, why do you tell us that?"

Well, in Matthew chapter 24 and again in verse 37, "But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be."<sup>4</sup>

All right, now look carefully. We find very clearly the condition of those days are being repeated today. My Lord is going to return and judge this earth.

Now take your Bibles again, if you will, and turn to the first chapter of the book of Acts and I want you to notice a verse of Scripture that I mention here. In Acts chapter one and we find beginning at verse 10:

And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel; Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.<sup>5</sup>

All right. Now hold your seat and pay close attention. Our Lord Jesus came bodily to this earth the first time. He went up bodily to heaven. He is going to come again just as

---

<sup>3</sup> Genesis 6:11-13.

<sup>4</sup> Matthew 24:37.

<sup>5</sup> Acts 1:10-11.

he went up. He is going to come bodily and I will tell you right now every eye is going to see him and every nation is going to wail because of him, because we find very clearly the Lord Jesus Christ is coming back to do what? He is coming back to judge this earth because of its wickedness.

Now turn again, if you will, to Acts chapter 17 and look with me, if you will, at verse 30 and 31. Listen to what it says.

And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent: Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead.<sup>6</sup>

You have heard it just like I have heard it.

“The Lord Jesus Christ is too kind and loving and merciful and understanding. He is never going to send anybody to hell.”

Don't you believe that. That is a lie of the devil. The Lord Jesus Christ is sending people to hell today because every individual and God gives them a certain length of time to come to know Christ and every individual without Christ is filling up their cup of iniquity and when that cup of iniquity is full, God will judge them and send them to hell. And he is going to judge this world in righteousness and he is guaranteeing it by the resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Now those that deny this, I will tell you right now, they are facing the absolute judgment of the Lord God of heaven.

And then we find also the condition of these days are being repeated today. My Lord is going to come as I mentioned before. Then we find the characteristics of these days are similar to those of the days of Noah.

Now let me show it to you.

Turn, if you will, to Luke chapter 17 and see it for yourself. In the book of Luke chapter 17 and we find beginning at verse 22 these words. Listen to it if you will.

And he said unto the disciples, The days will come, when ye shall desire to see one of the days of the Son of man, and ye shall not see it. And they shall say to you, See here; or, see there: go not after them, nor follow them. For as the lightning, that lighteneth out of the one part under heaven, shineth unto the other part under heaven; so shall also the Son of man be in his day. But first must he suffer many things, and be rejected of this generation. And as it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the

---

<sup>6</sup> Acts 17:30-31.

days of the Son of man. They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all. Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded; But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all.<sup>7</sup>

Now why do I tell you this? Because the characteristics of today are similar to those of the days of Noah. Look, if you will. They ate. They drank. They married wives. They were given in marriage until the day that Noah entered into the ark. And the book of Matthew says they knew not.

Now let's compare that for a moment.

People today are eating and drinking and dancing and marrying and giving in marriage and they know nothing about the Word of God. Right now in America there is a famine today with regard to the Word of God. You will find very few preachers today that are preaching the whole counsel of God. Many of them are preaching a gospel, but they are not preaching the gospel. And we find today the Bible doctrine of faith has been relegated to making a commitment and we find also the Bible doctrine of repentance has been relegated to the ash heap of religions oblivion. But I will tell you right now. It doesn't change whatever. An individual is going to have to repent and sue for mercy on the basis that Christ died for sinners or that individual will never get saved.

I think it was last year. Maybe it was last year. I don't remember. I was preaching in a Baptist Church in Michigan and I made this statement. I said, "All right. I am going to preach to you this morning." And I said, "If you like what I am preaching," I said, "You come back tonight and bring somebody with you." I said, "If you don't like it, stay at home."

Well, the majority of them stayed at home and I made this statement in preaching. I said, "You are going to stand before God as a beggar and you are going to sue for mercy on the basis that Christ died for sinners."

And one man in that audience told me point blank. He said, "I will never beg God. I will never stand before God as a beggar."

Well, he is just telling us point blank that he don't know what it means to be a lost sinner and we find when an individual becomes a lost sinner, I will tell you right now. They begin to beg the Lord God of heaven to have mercy upon them.

Now let me stop right here. Do you know what I am talking about? Have you been there? Has God ever made you stand before him lost, guilty, hell bound, hell bent, hell born, hell deserving? If you don't know what I am talking about you had better go back and find out and ask yourself this question.

---

<sup>7</sup> Luke 17:22-29.

Lord, what in the world happened to me when I supposedly got saved?

The majority of them it is this. They walked the aisle. They uttered a prayer. Somebody told them that they were saved. They believed it and they have gone out and they have been sealed in their rebellion.

But, beloved, that is not redemption.

Now that is going on and the conditions of today are similar to the days of Noah.

Now you say, “Preacher, what are you talking about?”

All right. They ate. They drank. They builded and so on. But there is another thing. Turn back, if you will to 1 Peter chapter three and I want you to notice something else.

In the book of 1 Peter chapter three we find very clearly the Word of God brings it out and this is going on at this present hour in the days of Noah. In 1 Peter chapter three and verse 18 we read:

For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit: By which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison; Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, [Now notice these words.] wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water.<sup>8</sup>

Now hold your seat again. In those days, follow me now, the only people that God converted was Noah and his family. That whole generation died and went to hell with the exception of Noah and his family.

Now how come? They rejected the truth.

Now you say, “Preacher, what are you talking about?”

In the days of Noah, Noah was building an ark. He was warning them of the judgment to come. Something was going to happen on this earth that never happened before and they didn't believe it and the same thing is going on at this present hour and Noah built the ark and we find he preached the Word of God. His grandfather Methuselah lived until the days of the flood and his great grandfather Enoch was translated by God. So there you have the picture of the rapture.

Now what in the world am I talking about? These are conditions that existed in the days of Noah. And we also find it is existing in this present hour.

---

<sup>8</sup> 1 Peter 3:18-20.

I will tell you right now. The majority of our religious people today are going to die and go to hell. Do you know why? They have never truly been converted. Oh, they are religious. Some of them will read their Bibles. Some will pray. Some will come to church. Some even will preach, because I know what I am talking about. I was in that category. And some will even preach and still not know the Lord God of heaven. And I don't want anybody here tonight in this congregation, I will tell you right now. If you are not dead sure that you are going to heaven, then throw aside that old profession that you are on and take your place as a sinner and begin to sue for mercy that God will save you, because my Lord only saves poor, lost sinners. And that is why we sang that song tonight.

A ransom was found, yes, a ransom was found.  
Love paid the price on Calvary's mound.  
Judgment was met and mercy bestowed.  
And we find very clearly when a ransom was found.

I hope you know what I am talking about. We are living in the days of Noah. We find the characteristics are similar to the days of Noah. There was a rejection of the truth. There was marrying and giving in marriage. And then we find also corruption and violence was prevalent as it is at this present hour.

You say, "Preacher, what are you talking about?"

Well, turn to 2 Timothy chapter three and I will show the conditions that are existing even in the churches at this present hour in 2 Timothy chapter three beginning at verse one.

This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away. For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts, Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.<sup>9</sup>

Now hold your seat again. You look at that passage of Scripture today and you go to the average church and you will find this in here. Fifty percent of the congregation stay home on Sunday night. Seventy-five percent never go to prayer meeting. Ninety-five percent never witness concerning the Lord Jesus Christ. But you will find you go to our churches and what do you find? You find problems and you will find this and you will find here people are lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God. And we find very early they are false accusers and they have a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof.

---

<sup>9</sup> 2 Timothy 3:1-7.



And God said, “From such turn away.”<sup>10</sup>

Now, beloved, these are the conditions that are existing today. And they are parallel to the conditions of the days of Noah.

Now why do I tell you this? These conditions are similar and corruption and violence was prevalent in the days of Noah and it certainly is in this present hour. And yet we find, last of all, there is a remnant of true believers that still exists.

I want to tell you something. By rights, this building ought to be filled with people. It ought to be.

Now you say, “Preacher, why do you say that?”

I have been announcing it on the radio station that I broadcast over every Sunday morning. It is being announced on that station every single day to come to the Christian Lake Bible Camp. It is open and services are being held every night. And I have also put in there that I will be here every night this week.

Now people are hearing and that station reaches out and it goes a long way. And I will tell you something else. If people wanted to, they could come.

Now why don't they come? The same reason they didn't come to Noah and the ark in the days of Noah. They reject the truth. They want their own way. And I will tell you right now. When they want their own way because, “There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.”<sup>11</sup>

And, beloved, when we come to Christ we don't come our own way. We come his way because he is the way, the truth and the life and no man cometh unto the Father but by him.

Then I want you to notice something else. In the days of Noah there were days of great activity and fleshly living.

You say, “Preacher, what in the world are you talking about?”

All right. Take your Bibles now and turn back with me, if you will, to the book of Genesis chapter six. And I want you to see that for yourself. Here you have the days of Noah as they are described for us in the book of Genesis.

No individual, no true believer needs to be ignorant of the days of Noah. If they remained ignorant of the days of Noah it is because they want to be ignorant. But we find God's Word is very plain and in Genesis chapter six we find these were days of great activity and fleshly living.

---

<sup>10</sup> 2 Timothy 3:5.

<sup>11</sup> Proverbs 14:12; 16:25.

In Genesis chapter six we find very clearly, look, if you will, in verse four.

There were giants in the earth in those days; and also after that, when the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men, and they bare children to them, the same became mighty men which were of old, men of renown. And GOD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart. And the LORD said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them.<sup>12</sup>

Now, beloved, I will tell you right now. I am not God. But I believe this. God is in that same category today as he was in the days of Noah. God is sorry and I say that he is sorry that he has made man like man today because God sees the race of mankind today and what do you find? You find violence. You find incest. You find murder and you will find cheating and everything else. You will find all the works of the flesh. And I will tell you right now. Great activities are going on, but what happens? The churches of Christ are doing what? One by one they are going downhill. And I have been across in many states in this country and I will tell you right now. Wherever I go I find out that in the churches of today the majority of the people that are there are gray headed and heading down towards retirement if they are not already retired.

Now how come? We are living in the days of Noah and they are rejecting the truth of God.

And I will tell you another thing. It is also not only the age of rejection, but I want you to notice one more thing. It was an age of ignorance with regard to the days of Noah.

Take your Bibles again and turn to Matthew chapter 24 and listen to what it says. In Matthew chapter 24 we find again verse 38.

For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.<sup>13</sup>

Now what do you have here?

You have an appalling ignorance concerning the truth of God. The vast majority of religious people today do not know a solitary thing about Holy Spirit conviction. The

---

<sup>12</sup> Genesis 6:4-7.

<sup>13</sup> Matthew 24:38.

great preachers are, or I should say, the popular or great preachers across America today they are not preaching repentance. They are not even preaching faith. They are preaching make your commitment. And a sinner without Christ is dead. A sinner cannot make any kind of commitment because he is dead in the eyes of God and he has to be quickened by God the Holy Spirit before he can make any kind of commitment and also before he can even here. And we find in the days of Noah it was a day of ignorance concerning the things of God. And then we see also the same thing is true at this present hour.

Now there is one more thing. And what is that? It was an age of indescribable evidence of God's truth.

Now hold your seat.

This world is without excuse. America is without excuse. New York is without excuse. Michigan is without excuse. The country of the United States is without excuse.

Why? Because we are living in an age of indescribable evidence with regard to the truth of God.

You say, "Preacher, what in the world are you talking about?"

Well, go back to Genesis chapter five if you will and look with me and we will show you what was in existence in the days of Noah and it is also in existence at this present hour.

The book of Genesis chapter five and I want you to notice if you will in verse 21. Here you have a man by the name of Enoch.

And Enoch lived sixty and five years, and begat Methuselah: And Enoch walked with God after he begat Methuselah three hundred years, and begat sons and daughters: And all the days of Enoch were three hundred sixty and five years: And Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him.<sup>14</sup>

Now he is the first man that went to heaven without dying. Now that took place in the days of Noah.

I want to tell you something. The same thing is going to take place in the very near future from earth for this world. God is going to come after his Church and he is going to catch us away like he told Enoch. He told Enoch, he said, "Enoch, come home with me." And in the very near future and it could happen this year that my Lord will descend from heaven with a shout and the voice of the archangel and with the trump of God and the dead in Christ shall rise first and we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together in the clouds to meet them in the air and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

And I will tell you right now. That could happen tonight.

---

<sup>14</sup> Genesis 5:21-24.

Are you ready? I pray that you are.

Now in the days of Noah you have the days of indescribable evidence of God's truth.

Number one, there was Enoch. Enoch lived on this earth 365 years. He was a preacher of righteousness because in the book of Jude he tells us very clearly that the Lord Jesus, he said the Lord Jesus is coming back with his saints. He preached that in the day that he was alive.

All right, God took him. So in the days of Noah there was a rapture.

The second thing is this. That was the evidence of God. There is another evidence and I want you to notice, if you will, in verse 25 of Genesis chapter five.

And Methuselah lived an hundred eighty and seven years, and begat Lamech: And Methuselah lived after he begat Lamech seven hundred eighty and two years, and begat sons and daughters: And all the days of Methuselah were nine hundred sixty and nine years: and he died.<sup>15</sup>

Now you say, "Preacher, what in the world are you talking about?"

All right. Methuselah was also an indescribable evidence of God's truth. Now listen carefully and write it down in your memory if you haven't got it in your Bible. The name Methuselah means "When he is dead it shall be sent."

And Methuselah lived until the 600<sup>th</sup> year of the day of Noah and in the 600<sup>th</sup> year of the day of Noah the flood came. And as long as Methuselah was alive God restrained the flood.

All right. Listen carefully. As long as the Church of God is here on this earth God is going to restrain his judgment. But the next event is the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Beloved, we are living in the days of Noah and we had better be ready to meet the Lord.

But there is one more evidence.

And you say, "What is that?"

There is the witness of Noah.

Go back, if you will, to Hebrews chapter 11 and look with me at verse seven. In Hebrews chapter 11 and verse seven you find here the last evidence or indescribable evidence of truth with regard to the days of Noah.

---

<sup>15</sup> Genesis 5:25-27.

And in Hebrews chapter 11 and verse seven, “By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith.”<sup>16</sup>

Now what in the world do you have here? You have here not only the preaching of Enoch, you have also the witness of Noah and the building of the ark.

Now how does that tie in today? Are you listening? You have the witness of the believers today that are still on this earth and you have the building of the Church of the Lord God of heaven that is not yet completed. When the last soul for whom Christ died is converted, his Church will be complete. My Lord is coming after us and I will tell you right now. It could happen tonight. If he does, are you in that number? Are you going with me when I go to glory? I hope and pray that you do.

Now why do I tell you this? Because in these closing moment I want to let [?] very clearly that this age, listen, now, the age of Noah ended abruptly. God told Noah, “Come into the ark.” Noah came into the ark with his family. All right. But we find God called the animals and the birds and those that were to go in the ark and when that number was complete, God shut the door. Nobody could get in. Nobody could get out.

Seven days later God broke up the fountains of the deep and he opened up the windows of heaven and the judgment of God fell upon the earth and the day of mercy was gone and I will tell you right now the world was baptized with the flood and we find everything died with the exception of that which was in the ark. And we see it set forth also.

Now why in the world do I tell you this?

Because I want you to listen carefully. The age of Noah ended abruptly. The same thing will take place when God gets through with us.

Now you are so dogmatic about. Well, I have got the Scripture to prove it. So turn to 1 Corinthians chapter 15 and see it for yourself and you will see that this age of grace in which we are living will end abruptly.

In 1 Corinthians chapter 15 and verse 51 we read:

Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.<sup>17</sup>

---

<sup>16</sup> Hebrews 11:7.

<sup>17</sup> 1 Corinthians 15:51-53.

Now what do you have here?

How quick is this age going to end? Are you listening? It will end in the twinkling of an eye. Now how often does your eye wink or twinkle? How often do you wink your eyes? I will tell you how quick it is. You can take one second, divide that second into 60 segments and the twinkling of an eye or the winking of the eye only takes two of those segments.

Now you think of it. One second divided into 60 segments and we find when our eyes blink it only takes two of those segments. That is how quick it is.

All right. There is one more thing.

Light. Light travels at the rate of 186,000 miles per second and the twinkling of an eye, I will tell you right now. It is so fast that that light that travels at the rate of 186,000 miles per second can only rise 17. That is about up to here. Now that is how quick and how abruptly this age of grace is going to end. And I ask you a question tonight. Are you ready? Do you honestly know the Lord Jesus Christ? Has he ever brought you under conviction? Has he ever made you stand before him as a guilty, lost, helpless, hopeless, hapless sinner suing for mercy on the basis that Christ died for sinners and you are the sinner wondering if God would ever save you. And then to your amazement he does so. And as I have said before, I will say again. Salvation is an experience of the individual with God and it is the greatest experience an individual can have. It surpasses anything and everything this world can give. And the only thing that will [?] is when we get to heaven as Neil sang tonight.

You may have all your mansions in glory. You may have all the streets of pure gold. But my eyes will be scanning the heavens, looking for the one that saved my soul. I will be looking for stars up in heaven, stars that [?] on the tree, stars that turned judgment to mercy for a hell deserving sinner like me.

And I like this last verse. And when I find him I will be so contented to just sit there with nothing to do, but to thank him and praise him forever, while keeping those stars all in view.

I am looking for stars up in heaven, stars that love held on the tree, stars that turn judgment to mercy for a hell deserving sinner like me.

Oh, do you know what I am talking about? If you don't, if there is any question whatsoever, throw off that old worn out profession. Ask the Lord God of heaven to open your heart, show you what it means to be a lost sinner. Don't try to go any further. And when he does, I will tell you right now. He will put a cry in your soul and you will cry unto him and you don't know if he will save you and when he does he will save you when you least expect it and it will be the greatest thing that can ever happen to you this side of eternity.

Shall we pray?

*Our Lord, tonight, sanctify this endeavor. Thank you. Reach one that you have brought this way. Thank you for the attention of each one and thank you, again, for this privilege we have of setting forth thy truth. And, oh Lord, we know we are living in the days of Noah and help us in these last days to be faithful unto thee and to serve thee with the best of our ability.*

*Thou dost know each one of us. Thou dost know the needs every one here. And so we commit this service and this people into thy hands asking thee again, oh dear God, work it out for thy glory and for thy honor. We pray now, Lord Jesus, for thy sake. Amen.*

Neil, come and sing a song.

Neil is going to close us with a song that he likes to sing. I don't know which one it is, but you just pick around, Neil. I know you are glad to have him here as I am.