

TIME CHART: CHRIST'S SECOND COMING THROUGH TO ETERNITY

<p>Matthew 25:31 2 Thessalonians 1:7</p>	<p><u>THE SECOND COMING:</u> “Like a thief in the night” (2 Peter 3:10), the Lord shall come from heaven with all His holy angels to “sit upon the throne of His glory”, as the Judge of all humanity (John 5:22).</p>
<p>1 Thessalonians 4:13-18</p>	<p>“The Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God”.</p>
<p>2 Thessalonians 1:10</p>	<p>In coming, Christ shall be “glorified in His saints” and “admired by all those who believe” because of the testimony of the apostles.</p>
<p>John 5:25-29</p>	<p><u>THE RESURRECTION:</u> As the prophet Job foretold (Job 14:12-15), those who have died will “sleep” in the grave until the end of time, but at the appointed time “all that are in the graves shall hear His voice and shall come forth”, being restored to a fleshly state, and with each person seeing the Lord with his or her own eyes (Job 19:23-27).</p>
<p>1 Thessalonians 4:16-17</p>	<p>“And the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air...”</p>
<p>1 Corinthians 15:50-57</p>	<p><u>THE TRANSFORMATION:</u> However, the apostle Paul taught that three things would happen at the second coming of Christ:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * The trumpet would sound, * The dead would be brought back to life, and * Everyone (including those just resurrected) would be “changed”. <p>So, the corruptible and mortal bodies standing before the Lord will, “in the twinkling of an eye” put on “incorruption” and “immortality”. The Lord who took of the dust of the ground in the beginning and fashioned man, breathing His spirit into him, and creating a living soul that could live eternally, will then take all power away from physical death and Hades by transforming His creation into a spiritual being incapable of being subject to death or Hades ever again.</p>

<p>Matthew 25:32-46</p>	<p><u>THE JUDGEMENT:</u> All the nations of the earth shall be gathered before Him and separated like sheep to His right or like goats to His left.</p>
<p>Hebrews 9:27 Revelation 20:11-13</p>	<p>There will be no exceptions. Everyone, good or bad, great or small, will be judged that day according to their works (“<i>The day of judgement</i>” 2 Peter 3:7).</p>
<p>2 Peter 3:10-12</p>	<p>Again as the prophet Job foretold (Job 14:12), “The heavens shall pass away with a great noise”, and, “being on fire”, “the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up”. “Dissolved”, the earth and the heaven will “flee” or vanish away, for there will no longer be any need or purpose for them (Revelation 20:11).</p>
<p>Revelation 20:10</p>	<p>With his kingdom (cf John 14:30) destroyed, Satan will be cast into the lake of fire.</p>
<p>Revelation 20:14</p>	<p><u>THE SECOND DEATH:</u> Death and Hades will be cast into the lake of fire.</p>
<p>2 Thessalonians 1:8-9 Revelation 20:15</p>	<p>All those who do not know God and have not obeyed the gospel will be punished “in flaming fire”. Not being found in the Book of Life, they too will be cast in the lake of fire.</p>
<p>Matthew 10:28 Luke 12:4-5</p>	<p>Both the souls and the bodies of the unrighteous will be destroyed in hell, described by Peter as the “perdition”, or utter destruction, “of ungodly men” (2 Peter 3:7).</p>
<p>Matthew 25:46</p>	<p>So, the unrighteous will go into everlasting punishment (“described by Luke as “fire unquenchable”, Luke 3:17)...</p>
<p>Matthew 25:46</p>	<p>..but the righteous will go into life eternal (described as “God’s garner” or granary, Luke 3:17).</p>
<p>1 Corinthians 15:24-28</p>	<p>Having conquered His last enemy, Death, Jesus will hand the Kingdom back to the Father and be subject to Him, “and so shall we ever be with the Lord” (1 Thessalonians 4:17).</p>