

SERMON OUTLINE

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1) INTRODUCTION

- a) Today's message is the summation of the glorious book of the Revelation.
- b) The Bible calls the book of the Revelation a blessing book.
 - i) If we will read and heed the book of the Revelation, then we will be blessed.
- c) The last words in this book are very concise as God sums up the book.
- d) Today's message deals with four last things that we see in this final chapter in the book of the Revelation.

2) THE BIBLE'S LAST PROPHECY: THE SAVIOR'S SUDDEN RETURN

(Revelation 22:6-13)

- a) It is an ironclad promise from the Lord Jesus Christ that He is coming back suddenly.
 - i) Revelation 22:7, 12
 - (1) The word "quickly" in these verses does not mean immediately (though Jesus' return could have been immediate), but suddenly.
 - ii) He is coming in the twinkling of an eye.
 - (1) 1 Corinthians 15:52
 - iii) The Bible states that He is coming like a lightning bolt.
 - (1) Matthew 24:27
 - iv) He could come at any moment.
- b) He is coming again, and our destiny is determined by what we've done with Him before He comes.
 - i) Revelation 22:10-12
 - ii) How foolish we would be to not be ready for the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ.
 - iii) Hebrews 3:7-8
 - iv) 2 Corinthians 6:2
 - (1) Now is the time of salvation.
 - (a) When eternity begins, there will be no salvation for those who do not receive it in this time.
 - (2) One of these days, there will be no more days.
 - (a) If you want to be saved, you can be saved; but Jesus Christ is the only hope.
 - v) Revelation 22:13
 - (1) "Alpha" and "omega" are the first and last letters of the Greek alphabet.
 - (2) Jesus Christ is the beginning and the end.
 - (3) He is the first ray of hope in the book of Genesis and the last warning in the book of the Revelation.
 - (4) It is all about Jesus.
 - (a) Do you know the Lord Jesus Christ personally?
 - c) The second coming of Jesus Christ is not incidental; it is the major message of the book of the Revelation.

3) THE BIBLE'S LAST PROPOSAL: THE SINNER'S SATISFYING CHOICE

(Revelation 22:14-17)

a) The Lord Jesus proposes to us so that we can choose Him.

b) This is a saving word.

i) Revelation 22:17

(1) Whosoever will, may come.

ii) Revelation 22:14

(1) This passage is often translated, "Blessed are they who have washed their robes."

(a) When we obey His commandments, we wash our robes and vice versa.

(2) He is speaking about being clean.

(a) Have you washed your robes in the blood of the Lamb?

(3) There is only one way to be saved and that is through the shed blood of the Lord Jesus Christ.

c) This is a seeking word.

i) Revelation 22:16-17

ii) Who cares if a sinner goes to Hell?

(1) The Lord Jesus cares.

(a) He loves you and wants you to be saved.

(b) This is why He left the glories of Heaven to endure earth's abuse and be nailed to a cross and die in agony and blood.

(c) For anyone to die and go to Hell, they will have to climb over the battered and bruised body of Jesus Christ in order to get there.

(2) Not only does God the Son care, but God the Holy Spirit also cares.

(a) Revelation 22:17

(b) Acts 5:32

(c) The Holy Spirit speaks to us through the Word of God.

(d) John 6:44

(e) John 16:8-11

(i) This is the work of the Holy Spirit of God.

(3) The church of the Lord Jesus Christ also cares.

(a) Revelation 22:17

(i) The church is the bride of the Lord Jesus Christ.

(b) The bride is not only here on Earth, but the bride is also in Heaven.

(i) Hebrews 12:1

1. They are cheering us on from Heaven.

(ii) The saints in Heaven have placed the baton in our hands.

1. It is now our responsibility to share the Good News of Jesus Christ.

2. We are one with the saints (the bride) in Heaven.

(c) The purpose of the church is evangelism.

(i) Luke 19:10

(ii) The Great Commission of the church is to make disciples.

1. Matthew 28:19-20

- (4) Everyone who hears the Gospel should care.
 - (a) Revelation 22:17
 - (b) When we hear the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, we then have a solemn obligation to share that message.
 - (i) There are two words in the Bible that sum it up: “come” and “go.”
 - 1. Come to Jesus.
 - 2. Go tell.
 - (c) People are waiting to hear about Jesus; we should tell them.
 - (d) Every individual who loves Jesus cares if a sinner goes to Hell.
 - d) The Bible’s last proposal is to come to the Lord Jesus Christ.
 - i) You do not have to pay one cent for it; salvation is there for you, provided by Jesus.
 - ii) It is so simple, like taking a drink of water; just take and drink.
 - (1) Revelation 22:17
 - iii) You will never have your deepest heart thirst satisfied until you’re satisfied with Jesus.
 - (1) If you are thirsty, come and drink.

4) THE BIBLE’S LAST PROHIBITION: THE SCRIPTURES’ SINFUL REVISION
(Revelation 22:18-20)

- a) The Bible prohibits anyone from revising the Holy Scriptures.
 - i) Do not try to revise the Bible.
 - ii) Do not try to make the Bible politically correct.
- b) The urge to revise the Bible is as old as the Garden of Eden.
 - i) Genesis 3:1
 - ii) Anyone who puts a question mark after the Word of God is doing the work of the devil.
- c) The Scriptures are the very Word of God.
 - i) They are faithful and true.
 - (1) Revelation 22:6
 - (2) This is the reason we do not add to them or take from them.
 - ii) Revelation 3:14
 - (1) Jesus calls Himself faithful and true.
 - iii) The same words (faithful and true) that Jesus applies to Himself, He also applies to the Word.
- d) The Bible is complete.
 - i) It consists of 66 individual books that make up the one book.
 - (1) There are 39 books in the Old Testament.
 - (2) There are 27 books in the New Testament.
- e) Matthew 4:4
- f) 2 Timothy 3:16
 - i) The Bible is the inspired Word of God.

- g) Proverbs 30:5-6
 - i) The Word of God is pure.

5) THE BIBLE'S LAST PRAYER: THE SAINT'S SUPREME REQUEST
(Revelation 22:20-21)

- a) Three times in Revelation 22, Jesus said, "I come quickly."
 - i) The Apostle John says, "Amen."
 - (1) The word "amen" means "let it be."
- b) We should long for Jesus to come again.
- c) Titus 2:13
 - i) The Bible calls the second coming of Jesus the "blessed hope."
 - (1) There are some who have no hope.
 - (2) There are others who have a false hope.
 - (a) They put their hope in things that are not true.
 - (3) There are those who have an uncertain hope.
 - (a) You can have hope in Jesus.
 - ii) "Hope" in the Bible does not mean "maybe" or "perhaps."
 - (1) The Bible word "hope" means rock-ribbed assurance based upon the Word of God enjoined with anticipation.
 - iii) This blessed hope is a unifying hope.
 - (1) Jesus is coming again.

6) CONCLUSION

- a) Are you ready for His coming?
- b) Do you know that if the trumpet sounded today and Jesus came in the twinkling of an eye that you would be ready?
 - i) You can know today.
- c) Trust in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior.
- d) Do you know Jesus personally? If not, you can pray to Him today by asking Him to come into your life.
- e) Call upon Jesus today. Repent (turn) from your sins, and turn to Jesus. Ask Him to forgive you of your sins, and acknowledge Him as Lord of your life.
 - i) Romans 3:23
 - ii) Romans 10:9-10
 - iii) Romans 10:13
 - iv) Acts 16:31
 - v) John 3:16