HE'S COMING BACK

Living in expectancy

(Heb 10:25 NIV) Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another--and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Be Ready

(Mat 25:13 NIV) "Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour.

Luke 18:1-3 (NIV)

1 Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up.

- 2 He said: "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared about men.
- 3 And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.'

Luke 18:4-6 (NIV)

4 "For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care about men,

5 yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually wear me out with her coming!"

6 And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says.

Luke 18:7-8 (NIV)

7 And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off?

8 I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

HE WILL RETURN

When He returns

(Luke 18:8 NIV) I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

Jesus' return

Jesus spoke of it *(Rev 3:3)* The angels spoke of it *(Acts 1:11)* The Apostles spoke of it: *(1 Th 5:2, 2 Pet 3:9-10)*

But when???

(Mat 24:3 NIV) As Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately. "Tell us," they said, "when will this happen, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?"

Don't worry about the "when"

(Acts 1:7-8 NIV) He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

Point:1

Jesus will return when we don't expect it.

RETURN OF THE KING

His Return

(Rev 19:11-13 NIV) I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and makes war. His eyes are like blazing fire, and on his head are many crowns. He has a name written on him that no one knows but he himself. He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God

His Return

(*Rev* 19:14-16 NIV) The armies of heaven were following him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean.

Out of his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. "He will rule them with an iron scepter." He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty. On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

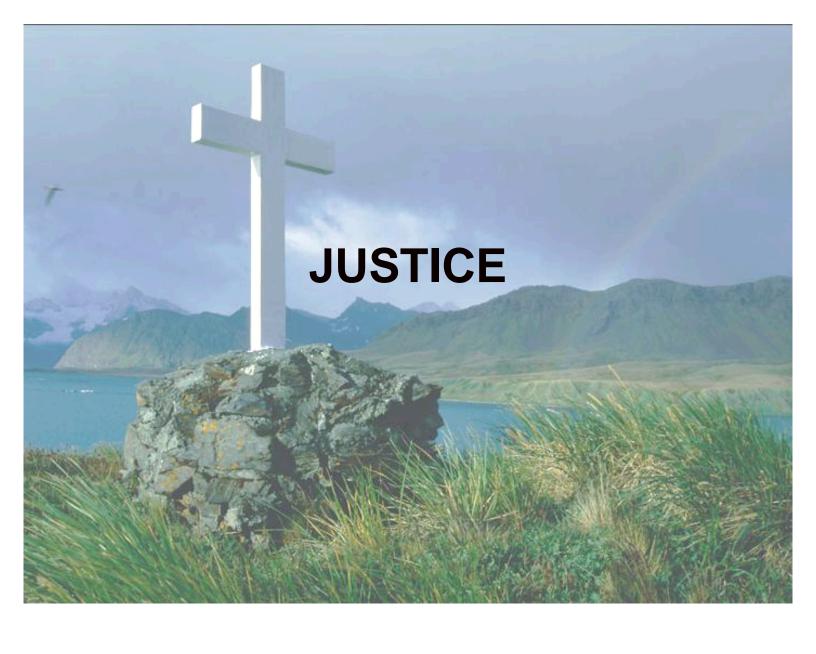
Jesus' return

He is seated on a white horse He has the symbol of authority on his head He garments are red from being dipped in blood

The only sword he needs are His very words He leads the armies of heaven after him

Point : 2

Jesus will return as a <u>conquering</u> King



Those who cry out to Him...

(Luke 18:7-8 NIV) And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

Avenge our blood...

(Rev 6:9 -11NIV) When he opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain because of the word of God and the testimony they had maintained.

- 10 They called out in a loud voice, "How long, Sovereign Lord, holy and true, until you judge the inhabitants of the earth and avenge our blood?"
- 11 Then each of them was given a white robe, and they were told to wait a little longer, until the number of their fellow servants and brothers who were to be killed as they had been was completed.

With justice He judges...

(Rev 19:11 NIV) I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and makes war.

Point: 3

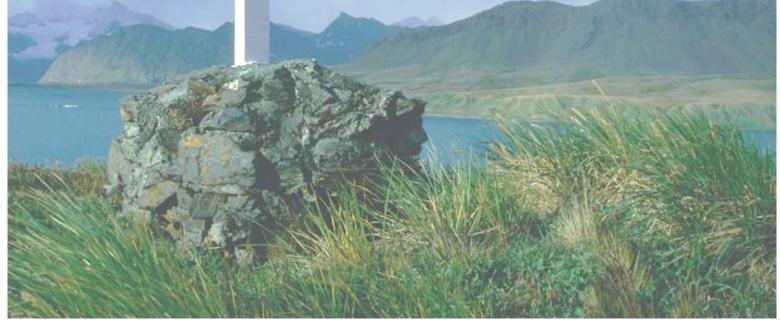
When Jesus returns he will meet out Justice



PRAY IN HOPE

Pray in hope

(Luke 18:1 NIV) Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up.



Point: 4

Jesus is coming again so pray and don't <u>e up</u>.

CONCLUSION