

End Times Session Notes- Fall 2014

We are coming to a close on our sessions. This will be the 8th one of the 10 sessions planned. We have covered many serious topics and have come to the best part of the discussion when we discuss the return of Our Lord in His Second Coming.

My belief is that we (the believing church) are already called home through the Rapture when the Second Coming occurs, which we have also discussed, but the final time of judgment, and redemption are important reminders that God keeps His Word. He keeps it to the Jews and Israel, and He keeps it to the believing church today.

His Word is both redemption and judgment. Both are evident in the remaining sessions.



Schedule: Sunday night beginning at 6:00pm- 7:30pm in the Sanctuary

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Title of Session</u>
✓	Nov 2, 2014	Signs of the Times
✓	Nov 9, 2014	Who is the Anti-Christ?
✓	Nov 16, 2014	Can one man rule the world?
✓	Nov 23, 2014	All Hell Breaks Loose
✓	Dec 7, 2014	Armageddon
✓	Dec 14, 2014	Ultimate Destination Wedding Reception
✓	Dec 21, 2014	Jesus' Second Coming
✓	Jan 4, 2015	Touchdown!!
	Jan 11, 2015	The Ultimate Hope
	Jan 18, 2015	Q&A on End Times – non DVD

This is a DVD series by Bryant Wright, Sr. Pastor at Johnson Ferry Baptist Church in Marietta, Georgia. We will have a brief introduction, play the DVD session, and end with Q & A. Each session will be facilitated by Jim Lay. **BRING YOUR BIBLE and join us!!**

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Session 8 – January 4, 2015 – Touchdown !!

Introduction

Happy New Year to each of you - I hope you had a wonderful and blessed Christmas Season. My prayer is that as you celebrated the First Coming of our Lord, that you considered the symbolism of the newborn wrapped in swaddling cloths and laid in the manger. This was a prophecy of the Lord that He would be the ultimate Passover Lamb to redeem Israel, and us, from death.

We covered this discussion on December 21, 2014, when we last met. We also covered the scripture of the Second Coming of the Lord...not as the Lamb of God but as the **Lion of Judah** come to redeem Israel and believers still on Earth, plus judge the wicked humans, Satan, and the False Prophet.

Today Bryant will discuss the time and place of Jesus arrival on earth when His foot touches down. This session is named "Touchdown" which is an appropriate point after all the football of the season...some happy and some sad.

I have added to the material I am providing you today as handouts, a document from the Omega Letter Website (referenced in the article). I do not want you to read this now but over the next week, take a look at it and keep it handy for references to the summation we will do on January 18th.

How many of you have been to the Mount of Olives in Israel? I have been one time and will go again, God willing, on the March Israel trip that Stan is leading. This small mountain range is very important in both the life of Jesus we read about in the New Testament, and the Return of the Lord in the End Times.

All through the New Testament, we read about the Mount of Olives because Jesus had to cross it to get to Bethany where Mary, Martha, and Lazarus lived (on the other side from Jerusalem), and to get to and from Bethlehem. It is where Jesus wept over Jerusalem. It is where the Garden of Gethsemane is, and it is where you have a spectacular view of both the Eastern Gate (now closed) and the Temple Mount. It is where Jesus was betrayed by Judas, and it is separated from the Temple Mount by the Kidron valley.

It is also the point of Touchdown and Bryant will discuss that in detail tonight.

Let's listen to the DVD discussion and I will come back afterwards to speak again and answer any questions.

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Remember, I need your questions so we can deal with them directly in the Jan 18th session. Send them to me at Jim@jmlay.com or write them down for me. I have about 10 so far that I will address.

(DVD – Touchdown)

Wrap Up

Sometimes it is hard to piece all the parts together to see the whole picture of the End Times, BUT the touchdown of the Lord is a dramatic scene we can understand easily. I can tell you that this time while I am in Israel I will be looking at the point where the Mount will split and the direction of the split will point towards **Petra** in Jordan. While this is not 100% provable, it is the considered thought of Biblical Scholars as the place where the Lord will protect His remnant during the battles for Jerusalem. He will walk (176 miles) through the valley created by the earthquake to bring His people “home” to Jerusalem as He sets up His earthly Kingdom and rules for 1000 years. WE will discuss this in detail next week.

Any questions?

Comment and Play Jerusalem song