Embrace Holy Living



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Mark 13:24-37

The time is quickly approaching. The material world will soon pass away. Whether it happens individually at our death or universally at his return, we will turn loose of all that we see and touch and treasure. Look around. All the physical things we have worked for and clung to will be gone forever.

That great Being whom we dimly perceive and flippantly acknowledge as "the Man Upstairs" will come face to face with us in all his magnificence and power. Excuses will fall silent. The truth will be inescapable. To some this truth will bring eternal comfort. To others, indescribable terror.

Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives as you look forward to the day of God . . . make every effort to be found spotless, blameless and at peace with him (2 Pet. 3:11-12a, 14b).

Jesus has seen eternity in its full sweep. He sees life now, and he sees what is coming. He is warning us in the strongest, most urgent terms: Stay alert! Stay faithful! The time will come when you least expect it!