

# Looking for the Blessed Hope

## Selected Scripture

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***“The Bible was not given to make you a smarter sinner, but rather to make you more like Christ!”***

- Dr. Howard Hendricks

Remember: Your responsibility, by God’s enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; I Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?
- How can I accomplish this change?
- What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon: **“Looking for the Blessed Hope.”** All questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. What is an indispensable quality of life?
2. What are the 3 typical responses by Christians to, “What is your hope?”
  - a. Our hope is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_ is our hope.
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_ is our hope.
3. According to I Timothy 1:1, what is our hope?
4. What is it about Jesus that is our hope?
5. I John 3:1-3 tells us that part of our hope is being what?
6. Fill in the blanks: “We believe that at any moment the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ may occur, when the Lord Himself shall descend from \_\_\_\_\_ and catch away His \_\_\_\_\_ to meet Him in the air...”
7. What is the first passage which describes our blessed hope?
8. In John 13:33, Jesus told His disciples He was doing what?

9. In John 14:1a, Jesus literally tells His disciples what?
10. In John 14:2, what does the word, “mansion” mean?
11. According to Revelation 21:16, how big is the New Jerusalem?
12. How many square miles is that (length and width)?
13. What is Jesus’s promise of John 14:3?
14. What tense did Jesus use to let the disciples know His future return is a certainty?
15. What is the hope of Israel?
16. The hope of the church is to be taken from the earth to where?
17. What does the word “rapture” mean?
18. When does the Second Coming of Christ occur?
19. What is the second major passage concerning the rapture?
20. How does Paul refer to those believers who had died?
21. What happens to the soul of the believer when they die?
22. What guarantees our resurrection?
23. Where should our focus be when talking about end times?
24. What is the 3rd major passage concerning our blessed hope?
25. What is a “mystery” (in the biblical sense)?
26. What is the “mystery” talked about in I Corinthians 15:51?
27. How fast will the rapture take place?
28. What is the result of the rapture?
29. Do you ever think about your hope or, are you so caught up in the things in this life that you never think about our blessed hope?