**BATTING BASE: START: SPIRITUAL BIRTH:**

Knowing Christ; Infant Stage

**MODULE 2: BASIC BIBLE TEACHINGS 1**

**LESSON 5: JESUS: ASCENSION, EXALTATION, RETURN AND JUDGMENT**

**I. ASCENSION**

***Acts 1:9-11*** *(KJV)*

*9And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight.*

*10And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel;*

*11Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.*

 **A. IN THE PRESENCE OF HIS ­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***Mark 16:19-20***

*King James Version (KJV)*

*19So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God.*

***Luke 24:51*** *(KJV)*

*51And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven.*

***Acts 1:9*** *(KJV)*

*9And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight.*

***Luke 24:36-53*** *(KJV)*

*51And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven.*

 **B. INTO \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***Acts 1:9*** *(KJV)*

*9And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight.*

***Ephesians 4:8-10***  *(KJV)*

*8Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men.*

*9(Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth?*

*10He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.)*

***1 Timothy 3:16*** *(KJV)*

*16And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.*

 **C. CONFIRMNED BY \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***Acts 1:10-11*** *(KJV)*

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*11Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.*

 **D. LED \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ CAPTIVE**

***Ephesians 4:8-10***  *(KJV)*

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*9(Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth?*

*10He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.)*

[***Judges. 5:12***](http://www.biblestudytools.com/kjv/judges/5-12.html)*(KJV)*

*12 Awake*,*awake*,*Deborah: awake*,*awake*,*utter*a*song: arise*,*Barak,*and lead thy*captivity captive*, thou*son*of*Abinoam.*

 **E. GAVE \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ TO MEN**

***Ephesians 4:8-10***  *(KJV)*

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**II. EXALTATION**

***Acts 7:55-56*** *(KJV)*

***55****But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up stedfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God,*

***56****And said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the*[*Son of*](http://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Acts+7%3A55%2C56%3B+Romans+8%3A34%3B+Ephesians+1%3A20%3B+Hebrews+1%3A3%3B+10%3A12%3B+12%3A2%3B+1+Peter+3%3A22&version=KJV) *man standing on the right hand of God.*

***Hebrews 10:12*** *(KJV)*

***12****But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God;*

***Hebrews 12:2*** *(KJV)*

***2****Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.*

 **A. IT WAS \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***Psalm 110:1*** *(KJV)*

*1 The Lord said unto my Lord,*

*Sit thou at my right hand,*

*Until I make thine enemies thy footstool.*

 **B. IT SHOWS \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***Ephesians 1:19-21***

*King James Version (KJV)*

*19 And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,*

*20 Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places,*

*21 Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come:*

 **C. HE IS \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***Romans 8:34*** *(KJV)*

*34Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us.*

**III. RETURN**

***Acts 1:11*** *11"Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven."*

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; 1 Corinthians 15:50-54; Revelation 19:11-16.

 **A. THE SECOND \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

 1. Believers will return with the Lord

***Revelation 19:14***

*King James Version (KJV)*

***14****And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.*

 2. At the end of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_-year Great Tribulation

***Revelation 6-19***

***Matthew 24:29-30***

*King James Version (KJV)*

***29****Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken:*

***30****And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.*

 3. To make \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with the anti-Christ and his armies

***Revelation 19:11-21*** *(KJV) (Just read the underlined)*

***11****And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war.*

***12****His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself.*

***13****And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God.*

***14****And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.*

***15****And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.*

***16****And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, King Of Kings, And Lord Of Lords.*

***17****And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God;*

***18****That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all men, both free and bond, both small and great.*

***19****And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army.*

***20****And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.*

***21****And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which sword proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh.*

 4. It will be a visible coming to judge unbelievers on the earth

***Revelation 1:7***

*King James Version (KJV)*

***7****Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.*

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 **B. THE \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ THEORY**

1. Believers will meet the Lord in the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

***1 Thessalonians 4:16-17***

*King James Version (KJV)*

***16****For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:*

***17****Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.*

2. Before, in the middle of or at the end of the 7-year Great Tribulation

***1 Thessalonians 5:9***

*King James Version (KJV)*

***9****For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,*

***Revelation 3:10***

*King James Version (KJV)*

***10****Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.*

 3. To deliver believers from the coming \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

***1 Thessalonians 5:9***

*King James Version (KJV)*

***9****For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,*

 4. It will be an invisible coming to take away believers from the earth

***1 Thessalonians 4:13-17***

*King James Version (KJV)*

***16****For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:*

***17****Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.*

***[1 Corinthians 15:52](http://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians%201&version=KJV" \o "Go to Colossians 1)***

*[King James Version (KJV)](http://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians%201&version=KJV" \o "Go to Colossians 1)*

***[52](http://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians%201&version=KJV" \o "Go to Colossians 1)****[In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.](http://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Colossians%201&version=KJV" \o "Go to Colossians 1)*

 5. No one \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ when

***Matthew 24:36-44***

*King James Version (KJV)*

***36****But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.*

***37****But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.*

***38****For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark,*

***39****And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.*

***40****Then shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left.*

***41****Two women shall be grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken, and the other left.*

***42****Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.*

***43****But know this, that if the goodman of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up.*

***44****Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.*

 **C. STAGES:**

 1. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ stage theory

a. The church will undergo the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Period: Rev. 6-19

 b. The Lord Jesus will come in the clouds: Matthew 24:29-30

c. The dead in Christ will rise first and the living saints will follow:

1 Thessalonians 4:13-17

d. We will \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ down with the Lord:

Rev. 19:11,14

 e. Every \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ will see Him: Rev. 1:7

 2. Two stages theory

 a. The Rapture

 b. The 2nd Coming

**IV. JUDGMENT**

 **A. Judging of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***1 Corinthians 3:13-15***

*King James Version (KJV)*

***13****Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.*

***14****If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward.*

***15****If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.*

 1. Crown of Rejoicing

***1 Thessalonians 2:19-20***

*King James Version (KJV)*

***19****For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? Are not even ye in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at his coming?*

***20****For ye are our glory and joy.*

 2. Crown of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

***2 Timothy 4:7-8***

*King James Version (KJV)*

***7****I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith:*

***8****Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.*

 3. Crown of Life

***James 1:12***

*King James Version (KJV)*

***12****Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.*

 4. Crown of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

***1 Peter 5:4***

*King James Version (KJV)*

***4****And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that fadeth not away.*

 **B. Judging of the Nations**

 1. The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Nations

***Matthew 25:31-46*** (Parable of the Sheep and the Goats)

 2. The Jewish Nation

(Ezekiel 20:33-38; Daniel 12:1-2; Daniel 9:24-27; Revelation 12)

***Daniel 12:1-2***

*King James Version (KJV)*

***12****And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.*

***2****And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.*

 **C. The Judgment of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

***Revelation 20:11-14***

*King James Version (KJV)*

***11****And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.*

***12****And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.*

***13****And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.*

***14****And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.*

 **D. The Judgment of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and His Angels**

(Revelation 20:10; Isaiah 24:21,22; 2 Peter 2:4; Jude 6)

***Revelation 20:10***

*King James Version (KJV)*

***10****And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.*

***Jude 1:6***

*King James Version (KJV)*

***6****And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.*