**The Latter End**

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The latter end of our salvation is at hand. Today is the day of salvation, now is the accepted time; and one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day and we do not know the day nor the hour when the Son of man shall come; but do know, he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved (Mark 13:13). It's not how we begin in the Spirit, but how we continue in the faith grounded and settled to the latter end our salvation.

Romans 13:11 And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. (KJV)

2 Peter 3:9-14 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up. Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness, Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat? Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness. Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless. (KJV)

Hebrews 2:1-3 Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let them slip (to flow by, carelessly pass). For if the word spoken by angels was stedfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompence of reward; How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard him; (KJV)

Therefore - Because God has spoken to us by his Son; and because that Son is so great and glorious a personage; and because the subject which is addressed to us is of such infinite importance to our welfare.

We ought to give the more earnest heed - We should hear the doctrine of Christ with care, candour, and deep concern.

Lest at any time we should let them slip - Μη ποτε παραρρυωμεν "Lest at any time we should leak out." This is a metaphor taken from unstanch vessels; the staves not being close together, the fluid put into them leaks through the chinks and crevices. Superficial hearers lose the benefit of the word preached, as the unseasoned vessel does its fluid; nor can any one hear to the saving of his soul, unless he give most earnest heed, which he will not do unless he consider the dignity of the speaker, the importance of the subject, and the absolute necessity of the salvation of his soul. St. Chrysostom renders it μη ποτε απολωμεθαεκπεσωμεν, lest we perish, lest we fall away. (from Adam Clarke Commentary – Hebrews 2:1)

Beloved brethren, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; run your race with patience enduring to the end, receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls. And we desire that every one of you show the same diligence to the full assurance of hope unto the end, overcoming the wicked one, knowing that the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perishes, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ.

Ecclesiastes 12:13-14 Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man. For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil. (KJV)

Better is the end of a thing than the beginning thereof. So, hold fast the profession of faith without wavering, for you shall reap eternal life if you faint not. God bless and keep the faith.

Video scripture list in order left to right:

Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 1Peter 4:7

Watch = keep, guard

John 8:51, Deuteronomy 8:15-16, Jeremiah 29:11,

Romans 8:35-37, 2Corinthians 2:14, Matthew 22:14,

Mark 4:17, Matthew 10:22, Hebrews 12:2, Galatians 3:3,

Isaiah 1:19, 1Peter 4:15-18, Mark 13:13, 1Peter 1:7-9,

Matthew 6:21, Luke 12:34, 2Peter 2:19-22, Hebrews 6:6-12,

Philippians 3:18-19, Romans 6:20-22,

Revelation chapters 2 and 3 – he that overcomes,

Deuteronomy 28:13, Hebrews 3:6-14, 1Timothy 4:1,

Revelation 22:18-19, Revelation 3:5, Philippians 1:6,

Perform = accomplish, fulfill, perfect, bring to an end

Ecclesiastes 7:8, Ecclesiastes 12:13-14, John 8:51,

Expectation = outcome

Proverbs 23:18, Proverbs 24:14, Psalms 62:5