

LESSON 13

REFERENCES: MATTHEW 24:27, 30, 31, 42; JOHN 14:1-3; 1 THESSALONIANS 4:16, 17; REVELATION 1:7; THE GREAT CONTROVERSY, PP. 640-645.

He's Coming Again

Do you get excited when special people such as your grandma, grandpa, aunt, or uncle come to take you someplace? Soon a very Special Person—Jesus—will come for you. He will take you to His home.



od's children on the earth know that Baby Jesus, born so long ago, grew to become a man. They know He was the One who

died to save them. They know He has gone to

Memory Verse
"Look, he is coming with the clouds."
REVELATION 1:7, NIV.

The Message
Jesus is coming soon!

heaven to be with God.

And they know He will come to take His children to His home one day soon.

God's children on the earth know it will happen soon. "Watch for My coming!" Jesus said. "There will be troubles on the earth. There will be wars. There will be earthquakes. But do not worry! I am coming back to get you and take you to heaven."

Yes, there have been earthquakes in the world. There have been wars. There have been many kinds of trouble. But God's children do not need to worry. They know Jesus is coming to take them to heaven.

"When I come to get you, everyone in the world will see Me," Jesus said. "I will come like bright lightning that flashes. I will come with clouds of bright angels. And they will gather you up to meet Me in the sky."

God's children keep their eyes on the sky. Nobody knows which day He will come. But all God's children know He is coming.

All the angels in heaven know it too. They know Jesus is going back to the earth to get His people and bring them to heaven. Not one of the angels knows exactly which will be the special day. But they know that on that day, the great trumpet of God will sound. And they will go with Jesus to gather His people from around the world. The excited angels wait. They practice the welcoming songs they will sing for God's children.

God's children wait and wait. "Do you think He's really coming?" some ask.

"Of course, He's coming!" their friends encourage. "Jesus never breaks His promises! Keep watching the sky."

Suddenly, the special day will come! "It's time. The time is here." Jesus' shout will ring through all of heaven. "Let's go get My people!"

The angels will cheer. They will clap. They will sing and shout for joy. It will be the noisiest day ever!

Jesus and the angels will speed through the air to the earth. Shining clouds of angels will surround Jesus as He comes through the sky.

"He's coming!" God's children will shout.

"Jesus is coming! He said He would come, and He is!"

And the angels will hurry to gather together all God's children to meet Jesus in the clouds.

It will be the happiest day ever! It will be a wonderful day when Jesus comes to take us to heaven!

Do and Say

SABBATH

Each day of the week read the lesson story and review the memory verse.

Look, Put hand over eyes.

He is coming . . . With palms up, move

hands upward to chest.

with the clouds.. Point upward.

Revelation 1:7 . . Palms together,

then open.

SUNDAY

Encourage your child to share the Second Coming picture made in Sabbath School with someone they want to remind that Jesus is coming soon!

(Or help them make a picture of a large cloud with Jesus on a throne surrounded by angels. Glue cotton balls on the clouds.)

MONDAY

Read together Matthew 24:27, 30, 31, 42; 1 Thessalonians 4:16, 17; and Revelation 1:7. Ask: What will you hear when Jesus comes in the clouds? What will you see? What will you do?

Give your child a surprise. Talk about how Jesus' coming will surprise people. We don't know when, but He will come soon!

TUESDAY

Show your child a picture of a trumpet and let them listen to some

trumpet music. Ask: Who will play trumpets when Jesus comes? Sing "Jesus Is Coming Again" (*The SDA Church Hymnal*, no. 213) before prayer. Pray that He will come soon.

WEDNESDAY

Help your child pretend to pack their suitcase to go on a trip (don't tell where).

Ask: Will we need to pack our suitcases for our trip to heaven? (No.)

Do we need to be ready for that big trip? (Yes.) How? (By choosing Jesus' way everyday.)

THURSDAY

Describe the lightning

people will see when Jesus comes again. Help your child find east. Talk about the cloud in the east when Jesus comes. Sing "God Is So Good" (*Little Voices Praise Him*, no. 88). Pray that you all will be ready when He comes.

FRIDAY

Have the family act out the Bible story. Turn off the lights, then turn them back on for the brightness of Jesus' coming. Someone can shine a flashlight onto the face of the person playing Jesus. Crash together pot lids for the trumpet sounds.

Sing "Jesus Is Coming Again," then thank Him for the promise of His coming.