The revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave him to show to his servants[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=revelation+1&version=ESV#fen-ESV-30683a)] the things that must soon take place. [Revelation 1:1]

**Week 11**  March 19, 2023

Eschatology

* The divine **conclusion** and ultimate destiny of human souls.
* Old Testament believers awaited a **future redeemer**.
* Old Testament believers looked forward to the **Kingdom of God**.
* Old Testament believers anticipate a **new covenant**.
* Old Testament believers hoped for the **outpouring** of the Holy Spirit.
* Old Testament believers yearned for **new heavens and the new earth**

These hopes are fulfilled in Jesus Christ.

* Today, Christians live in the age of **fulfillment** and **mission**.
* Christians experience the tension of the “**now**” and the “**not yet**”
* Christians live now – between the two **Advents** of Christ.
* On the one hand, Christians receive the promised blessings through the **Gospel** and the **Sacraments.**
* On the other hand, Christians wait to enter the glories of **heaven.**
* Therefore, the life of a Christian is:
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Signs of the End: Christ’s return

* First: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Second: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Third: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Fourth: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Fifth: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
	+ The sign evidencing the **grace** of God.
	+ The signs indicating the **judgment** by God.
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	+ The signs representing **opposition** to God.
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The Seven Seals:

* The **throne** of God and the **heavenly** court.
* Do we **really** believe what we **say** we believe?
* “Around the throne was a rainbow.”
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	+ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* 24 **thrones** with 24 **elders.**
	+ Clothed in **white.**
	+ Wearing **crowns.**
* 7 torches represent the **Holy Spirit**.
* 4 creatures represent all of **creation.**