Homework for Lesson 31: What's Next: Life After Death

Today we're going to talk about two subjects that can be confusing, life after death and the end of the world.

The hope of a life with Jesus Christ after death is one of the beautiful promises that we have as Christians. There are many depictions and explanations of what life will be like after we die – many of these depictions are seen in the media, literature, and other art forms. While we will never know of Jesus' return or how the world will end, we can be sure that loving God and right actions on earth set us up to spend eternity with Him.

We're going to take a look about what the Bible says these topics: life after death and the end times. While the topics are very different, they share one common question that we all wonder about: What happens next?

When we talk about the end times, what we're really talking about is the Second Coming of Jesus. In the Gospels we're told that the coming of Jesus is good news for the world. We aren't going to focus on the why or the how of the Second Coming, instead we're going to focus on where we find the good news in these verses.

Read Matthew 25:31-46

What is the good news here? Write your answer here.

Read Romans 8:35-9:1

What is the good news here? Write your answer here.

Read 2 Peter 3:8-14

What is the good news here? Write your answer here.

Read Revelation 21:1-8

What is the good news here? Write your answer here.

What are some of the common themes you hear after reading through the different answers?

What thread ties all these verses together?

It's important to talk about concepts like life after death or the end times because as we said earlier, these topics can be scary and anxiety-inducing. What are some ways you think we can talk about death or heaven that would make our conversations more honest and less scary or frustrating?