

Relief, Retribution, and Revelation

2 Thess. 1:6-10

1. God is _____ . (vv. 6-7a)

People everywhere have a sense of _____ because they are made in God's image.

He tells us that God, in his justice, will _____ those who afflict believers with affliction of their own.

There is only one thing that sends people to hell, and that is _____ Jesus Christ.

The Bible promises three kinds of rest to believers:

- First, there is the rest that _____ brings. (Matt. 11:28-30)
- In addition to salvation, the Bible promises _____ rest. (Heb. 4:9-10)
- A final rest promised in Scripture is the _____ rest the redeemed enter into in heaven. (Rev. 21:4)

2. God will reveal the _____ . (vv. 7b-9)

This word has the idea of revealing or manifesting what was previously hidden or _____.

These three phrases provide striking confirmation of the _____ of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus will come for _____.

Eternal _____ is their punishment.

But so many people have made hell a laughing stock because they don't even believe hell _____.

There will be nothing but suffering and the painful process of being destroyed, continually, _____.

3. Jesus Christ will be _____ . (v. 10)

He will _____ in glory and power, as we've already seen, with His mighty angels in flaming fire.

And notice that _____ will be there too! He is to be glorified "in His saints."

We have believed in those same promises. And Jesus will come, someday soon, and _____ them all.

Calvary Connection Group

Discussion Questions for the week of Jan. 29, 2023

Getting to Know Me

- Do you prefer thin crust pizza or thick crust pizza or deep dish pizza? Why?

- Assuming total safety, would you rather travel to the moon or to the bottom of the ocean? Why?

Into the Bible

- What one thing stood out to you in this week's sermon as something important to understand and apply?

- Read Ex. 34:6-7 again. Consider the context of God declaring His name to Moses and what names mean in the Old Testament. What two qualities does God say are in His very name? Why are those important for us to understand and embrace? (Hint: see Micah 6:8)

- Jesus' coming is described as "with flaming fire" in our passage, but that is the fire of God's presence, not of punishment. Read the following verses: Matt. 13:49-50; 18:8-9; 25:41, 46; Luke 16:24; Rev. 14:9-11; 19:20; 20:10, 14; 21:8. What is the overwhelming description of hell in the Bible? What are the qualities of fire that might be a part of the eternal punishment of the lost in hell?

- Think about the details of v. 10. How will Jesus be glorified in His saints at His 2nd Coming, who is doing the marveling and who are "all who have believed?"

Application

- Think about 2 Pet. 3:9 and how God must feel about the lost that He created and loves. How should we feel about the lost?

- How were the Thessalonian believers comforted and encouraged by these verses and how should we be comforted by them?