

Our King has accomplished his redemptive mission and has now ascended to heaven. He has given his people his Holy Spirit for the time period between his ascension and his return. He is coming back for us!

The "What" – King Jesus will Return

"This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." ~ Acts 1:11 {ESV}

The "How"–Timing and Events around King Jesus' Return

Four major views...

1. **Postmillennial** – This present age gets better and better as more people come to Jesus Christ through evangelism. At some point, this "present age" will morph into an era of unprecedented peace and prosperity called the Millennium then Jesus will return.
2. **Amillennial** – This present age, the era between Jesus' 1st and 2nd comings, is the Millennium. At his 2nd coming, Jesus will oversee judgment before ushering in the eternal state.
3. **Premillennial (Classic)** – After a time of trouble and tribulation on the earth, Jesus will return to usher in his 1,000-year reign (the Millennium) which will culminate in the Great White Throne Judgment then the New Heavens and New Earth.
4. **Premillennial (Dispensational)** – At the appointed time, Jesus will return to call up believers (the Rapture) then there will be a 7-year period (Great Tribulation) prior to his 2nd coming. Jesus will then reign on earth for the Millennium which will culminate in judgment before he ushers in the eternal state.

More info: <https://www.blueletterbible.org/faq/mill.cfm>

Don't be a "panmillennialist" or an exclusivist

The "So What"...(1 Thessalonians 4:13-5:11)

King Jesus is coming back; maybe in our lifetime!

1. _____ (4:13-25)

We will always _____ the Lord!

Our resurrected King will give us our resurrection bodies (1 Cor 15:35-58)

2. _____ (5:1-6)

Be _____

Be _____ (s.a. Ephesians 5:6-14)

3. _____ (5:7-8)

4. _____ (5:9-11)