

Come, Lord Jesus!
II Peter 3:1-15a

Review:

1. Because the Lord created time and exists outside of it, He doesn't experience it as we do
2. Jesus is delaying His return to give everyone a chance to repent and be saved
3. We can hasten Christ's coming by proclaiming the gospel and by living in a way that is consistent with our profession of faith

Reflect:

1. What parts of your life are most focused on the things of this world? Is this compromising your witness to Christ? In what way?
2. If you knew that Jesus would return tomorrow, is there someone you would tell about Him? What is stopping you from telling him or her today?

Go further: Read Revelation 22:6-20

1. In verse 6, one of the angels pouring out the seven last plagues on the earth speaks to John (see 21:9). How does the angel describe his own words?
2. What does the angel say God is showing to His servants through the Revelation?
3. Who does verse 7 say is blessed and why?
4. In verse 8, how does John describe his reaction to hearing and seeing the Revelation of Jesus?
5. In verse 9, what mistake does the angel say John is making? Who does the angel include among the servants of God?
6. In verse 10, what does the angel tell John not to do with the words of the Revelation? In contrast with the angel's instructions in Daniel 12:4, why does the angel tell John this?
7. In what four ways does the angel describe human beings in verse 11? What does he say each of these categories of people should do?
8. In verse 12, how does Jesus say He will reward everyone when He comes to judge the world?
9. In what three ways does Jesus describe Himself in verse 13?
10. What two blessings does verse 14 say that those who obey Jesus' commandments will receive?
11. Who does verse 15 say will be excluded from God's presence?
12. In verse 16, what does Jesus say He has sent His angel to do?
13. In verse 17, who is calling out to people to come to Christ? What does John promise to the thirsty?
14. In verse 18, what warning is given to those who try to add to this prophecy?
15. In verse 19, what warning is given to those who try to take away from this prophecy?
16. According to verse 20, what promise does Jesus make? What is John's response to this promise?

Summary and Application:

1. In verses 6, 7, 12, and 20, Jesus says that He is coming quickly. Given what we learned from II Peter 3, how do you understand this promise? What comfort does this promise give you?
2. Do you find the ways that Jesus describes Himself in verses 13 and 16 comforting? Why?