

FOCUS QUESTION In this passage what does Jesus say about the present state of the Kingdom of God and about his future return?

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1. THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS HERE **RIGHT NOW.** 3

Being asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, he answered them, "The kingdom of God is LUKE 17:20not coming with signs to be 21 observed, 21 nor will they say, 'Look, here it is!' or 'There!' for behold, the kingdom of God is in the midst of you."

THE RETURN OF CHRIST MARKS THE BEGINNING OF THE FULL

MANIFESTATION OF THE

MEDIATORIAL KINGDOM OF GOD

ON THE EARTH.

MEDIATORIAL KINGDOM OF GOD God's rule over the earth through a chosen mediator, namely, Jesus, his Son, who acts on God's behalf and represents humanity before God.

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And he said to the disciples,
"The days are coming when
you will desire to see one of
the days of the Son of Man,
and you will not see it. ²³ And
they will say to you, 'Look,
there!' or 'Look, here!' Do not
go out or follow them.
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24 For as the lightning flashes and lights up the sky from one side to the other, so will the Son of Man be in his day.
25 But first he must suffer many things and be rejected by this generation

3. THE RETURN OF CHRIST WILL BE <u>UNEXPECTED</u> AND BRING <u>DECISIVE JUDGMENT</u>

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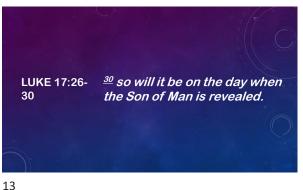
LUKE 17:26-30

Just as it was in the days of Noah, so will it be in the days of the Son of Man. ²⁷ They were eating and drinking and marrying and being given in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, and the flood came and destroyed them all.

LUKE 17:26-30

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On that day, let the one who is on the housetop, with his goods in the house, not come **LUKE 17:31-33** down to take them away, and likewise let the one who is in the field not turn back.

32 Remember Lot's wife. 33 Whoever seeks to preserve **LUKE 17:31-33** his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life will keep it.

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5. THE RETURN OF CHRIST WILL SEPARATE PEOPLE INTO **VINDICATED AND JUDGED.**

I tell you, in that night there will be two in one bed. One will be taken and the other left. 35 There will be two LUKE 17:34-35 women grinding together. One will be taken and the other left."

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