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Focus Question:

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

Jesus' message to the Pharisees about the Kingdom of God. . .

1. The Kingdom of God is here _____

Luke 17:20-21

Luke 10:9

The return of Christ marks the beginning of the full _____ of the
_____ Kingdom of God on the _____.

Jesus' message to his disciples about his return to earth...

2. The return of Christ will be _____ to _____.

Luke 17:22-25

Rev. 20:11-16

3. The Return of Christ will be _____ and bring _____.

Luke 17:26-30

Matthew 24:37

4. The return of Christ will reveal _____.

Luke 17:31-33

Luke 9:23

5. The return of Christ will separate people into _____ and _____.

Luke 17:34-35

Matthew 25:31-46

6. The return of Christ will result in _____.

Luke 17:37

Application Questions:

When Christ is fully revealed at his coming will you be vindicated or judged? Will you lose your life now so you can keep it then?

Questions for reflection and discussion.

- 1. Read Luke 17:20-37. Where does God stop you and why?**
- 2. What is Jesus' message to the Pharisees concerning the Kingdom of God? Why would they have had trouble with this message? What is the application of this today?**
- 3. What does "mediatorial Kingdom of God" mean?**
- 4. What are the major differences between the first and second appearances of Jesus on the earth?**
- 5. What things about the return of Christ are difficult for 21st century Western Culture people?**
- 6. What is the difference between the rapture of the Church and the full 2nd coming of Jesus?**
- 7. Does this passage refer at all to the rapture of the Church?**
- 8. What is the most important message in this passage to believers? To unbelievers? Why do you think Jesus addressed these thoughts primarily to his followers?**