

THE GREAT OPEN AIR CAMP MEETING

Text:

1 Thessalonians 4:16:

16 For the Lord Himself shall descend from Heaven with a shout, with the voice of the Archangel, and with the Trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.



Nothing like it ever witnessed before. People, by the thousands, will leave the earth – changed in a moment of time from mortal to immortal bodies

1. The place of Meeting

In the air.

2. Who will be present?

Every redeemed, Blood-washed person of every race, color and denomination.

This will include the deceased who will start the great exodus. All will be clothed with the Righteousness robes Jesus has provided. All class and religious differences will then vanish away and we shall be one and together.

3. Who will be absent?

Every unsaved, unredeemed person – the legalist, religionist, unbelievers, scoffers, liars, and all those without Christ in their hearts.

4. The Center of Attraction

To meet Christ, the Lord, in the air.

5. The Time of Meeting

The great reunion's time is known only to Almighty God. No one, not even Christ or His Bride (the Church) knows the day or hour. We know only the Signs of His Coming. We also know from:

Acts 3:20-21:

²⁰ And He [God Almighty] shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you:

²¹ Whom the Heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all His Holy Prophets since the world began.

This demands a close study of the Old Testament to glean out the key prophecies.

6. The After – Meeting

This will be a solemn and sad one as we listen to the words of those who were not ready for the Return of the Lord. The door was shut, and they were left behind.

Matthew 25:1-13: Parable of the Ten Virgins

¹ Then shall the Kingdom of Heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom.

² And five of them were wise, and five were foolish.

³ They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them:

⁴ But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.



- 5 While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept.***
- 6 And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him.***
- 7 Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps.***
- 8 And the foolish said unto the wise, "Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out."***
- 9 But the wise answered, saying, "Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves."***
- 10 And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut.***



- 11 Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, "Lord, Lord, open to us."***
- 12 But He answered and said, "Verily I say unto you, I know you not."***
- 13 Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of Man cometh."***

Which group will you be in?



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