

John 14:19-24

I. V.19- 24 – the Final Declaration

A. V.19 – apart from those at the tomb on resurrection morning, scripture doesn't mention Jesus revealing Himself to anyone other than believers.

- 1) The world won't see Him b/c they're separated b/c of their unbelief – v.17; John 3:18; 12:35-36; Rev. 20:15.
- 2) The disciples (and Christians) will see Him, b/c they do know Him b/c they profess belief in Him as Lord; they've accepted Him as Savior – Mal. 4:1-3; John 3:16; 5:24; 6:40, 47; Eph. 1:13-14; 1 Thess. 4:13-18.
 - a) ***Seekers of God are always rewarded with the discovery of their search – Deut. 4:29; 2 Chron. 15:15; Prov. 8:17; Jer. 29:13.***
 - b) *Christians have the affirmation of God's promises: they'll see Jesus face to face; will spend eternity with Him in heaven; will be delivered from the heartache of this world; all because Jesus rose from the dead:*
- 3) ***“Because I live, you will live also.”***– 1 Cor. 15:12-22.
 - a) **If Jesus never rose from the dead, we won't either.**
 - b) **If there is no resurrection, there is no heaven.**
 - c) **If death has the final say, there is no eternal life.**
 - i) *Our salvation is based solely on the **completed**, atoning work of Jesus Christ = ONE of the major differences of Biblical Christianity: eternal life isn't based on our performance. Why is this good news?*

1) We can ***never*** be good enough to garner salvation. Our natural condition leads straight to hell – Is. 55:6-9; Rom. 3:10, 23; 1 Cor. 6:9-11; Eph. 2:1-10; Col. 2:13-15.

ii) ***V.1 > V.19 – ***“Let not your heart be troubled...because I live, you will live also.”***

B. V.20 – ***“At that day...”***

1) His resurrection – Luke 24:1-8, 13-35; Mark 16:7

2) Day of Pentecost – Acts 2

3) The Day of the Lord – Is. 2:12; 13:6, 9-10; Joel 2:1, 11-13; Obadiah 15; Zeph. 1:14; Zech. 14:1; Rom. 13:11; 1 Thess. 4:13-5:6; Heb. 10:25.

a) That Day will convince everyone that Jesus is Lord; it will reveal those who are truly His & it will validate their belief in Jesus as Savior was warranted – Rom. 14:11; Phil. 2:9-11; 2 Pet. 3:9-14.

b) That Day, that only He knows (Matt. 24:36), specifically set aside by God for His return; is indeed coming...**SOON...ARE YOU READY???**

C. V.21 – Doesn't God love ***everyone???*** (Prov. 8:17)

1) 1 John 2:3-5 – ***“Whoever keeps His word, truly the love of God is perfected in him. By this we know that we are in Him.”***

a) Keeps (Gr.) = to guard from loss or injury

b) Perfected (Gr.) = completed or fulfilled

i) *God loves all of us (John 3:16)& has loved us first (1 John 4:19), but unless we surrender wholeheartedly to the authority of God's word and the purpose of His grace, our understanding of God's love will be superficial/secondary at best...His love will never be completely*

*fulfilled in us through His desired will of salvation – 2
Pet. 3:9.*

D. V.22-24 – Why us and not to the rest of the world?

1) *“I have revealed Myself to everyone, but not everyone will listen.”*
– John 8:25; 10:24-27; Rom. 10:1-3; Titus 2:11

a) v.23-24 – If ***anyone*** loves Me, they will hear ***and*** heed Me; if
you don’t love Me, then you won’t listen to Me.

i) **The blessings of believing:**

1) *“My Father will love him.”* – 1 John 2:3-5

2) *“We will come to him.”* – John 14:18

3) *“And make Our home with him.”* – 1 John 3:24; 4:13;
Eph. 3:14-19; Rev. 21:1-5