

Sermon: It's Begun part 4- Two Days with Jesus
Text: John 4:31-42
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Scripture's emphasis on the "end of the age" is to increase, among the Church, Awareness (in response to deception)/**Soberness** (finality- reaching the lost)/**Readiness** (preparation for eternity, rewards...)

How does Scripture teach us to apply this to our lives daily?

- Be continually full of the Spirit so to discern every false spirit. (Deception)
- Be encouraged by reading Scripture, talking, and imagining the return of Christ.
- Let the wisdom of God direct your choices.
- Seek first and boldly proclaim the Kingdom of God
- Be His faithful ambassadors until Christ returns.
- Don't hold tight to this world or the things in it.
- Serve the Lord with hopeful expectation not fear.

Today: What does the abiding presence of Jesus Christ have to do with the end of the age?

John 4:31–42 (ESV)

³¹ Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, saying, "Rabbi, eat." ³² But he said to them, "*I have food to eat that you do not know about.*" ³³ So the disciples said to one another, "Has anyone brought him something to eat?" ³⁴ Jesus said to them, "*My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to accomplish his work.*" ³⁵ Do you not say, 'There are yet four months, then comes the harvest'? Look, I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see that the fields are white for harvest. ³⁶ Already the one who reaps is receiving wages and gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. ³⁷ For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' ³⁸ I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."

³⁹ Many Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me all that I ever did." ⁴⁰ So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them, and he stayed there two days. ⁴¹ And many more believed because of his word. ⁴² They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed the Savior of the world."

What does "two days" with (without) Jesus look like?

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John 14:18–19 (ESV)

¹⁸ "*I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.*" ¹⁹ Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰ In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you.

Matthew 28:18–20 (ESV)

¹⁸ *And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.*
¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of
the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And
behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

There is nothing more assuring than the presence of Jesus Christ in our Today.

Revelation 14:6–7 (ESV) The Messages of the Three Angels

*⁶ Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an **eternal gospel to proclaim** to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. ⁷ And he said with a loud voice, “**Fear God and give him glory**, because the hour of his judgment has come, and **worship him** who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water.”*