

*Readings from Matthew chapter 24—April 3<sup>rd</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>, 2022*

36 “But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only. 37 But as the days of Noah were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. 38 For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, 39 and did not know until the flood came and took them all away, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. 40 Then two men will be in the field: one will be taken and the other left. 41 Two women will be grinding at the mill: one will be taken and the other left. 42 Watch therefore, for you do not know what hour your Lord is coming. 43 But know this, that if the master of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched and not allowed his house to be broken into. 44 Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.”

*Sunday:* What does the word “But” (v. 36) imply? How do vv. 36ff contrast with what Jesus has just been saying? **Pray** for the many ongoing Bible studies and fellowship groups (youth group, college/career study, over-50 fellowship group, women’s study, men’s prayer) at Columbus, Ind., RPC; **pray** that the Lord would use these groups to build up the body in love for the Lord and each other. **Give thanks** for the new people attending Letterkenny (Northern Ireland) RPC.

*Monday:* How many people survived the flood of Noah? Who were they? **Pray** with Treasure Valley (Meridian, Idaho) RPC for continued financial support for the church, including Pastor Hemphill's income. **Give thanks** that Nikolas and Tiffany Wang will soon be joining Geelong (Australia) RPC.

*Tuesday:* Were the people in Noah’s day prepared for the destruction? **Praise God** for humbling Dallas, Tex., RPC in their day of corporate fasting and prayer. **Pray** that Stornoway (Scotland) RPC would soon get its own place of worship.

*Wednesday:* How does one watch for the Lord’s coming? **Pray** that the several people who expressed interest in joining Atlanta, Ga., RPC would indeed make that commitment and take their membership vows in the near future. **Praise God** for the two new families at Chaura RPC (Pakistan). **Pray** for the provision of a pastor for Glasgow (Scotland) RPC.

*Thursday:* What should you be doing to prepare for His coming? **Pray** for Grace (State College, Pa) RPC’s outreach. **Pray** for Rev. Isaac Berrocal as he translates Reformed Presbyterian material for publication in the Spanish language.

*Friday:* Does anyone know when Jesus is coming back? What should we think of someone who predicts the date of Jesus’s return? **Pray** for members and friends at Orlando, Fla., RPC who have health concerns. **Pray** for Rev. Archie McPhail and the North Edinburgh (Scotland) RPC.

*Saturday:* Will there be any warning as to the Day of Judgment? **Pray** with Rochester (East Rochester, N.Y.) RPC for Pastor Ryan Somerville and their ruling elders and deacons, that God will bless their ministry to His people. **Give thanks** that the venue for worship for Milford (Northern Ireland) RPC is now ready. **Pray** for the service at ARPC tomorrow, that many would attend and be blessed.

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*The Lord’s Day*

*April 3, 2022*

Meeting every week at  
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Atlanta, Georgia

# Worship at 3:30 PM

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Welcome and Announcements

Scripture Memory and Catechism Questions

The Call to Worship  
23 Hebrews 12:22-

\*The Invocation

\*Psalm 100A "All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

Scripture Reading Isaiah 49

\*Psalm 2 "Why Do Heathen Nations  
Rage?"

Pastoral Prayer

\*Psalm 56 "Be Gracious Unto Me, O God"

Scripture Text Revelation 7

The Sermon "The Indestructible Church" (Part 3)

\*Prayer

\*Psalm 23B "The Lord's My Shepherd; I'll Not Want"

\*Benediction

\*Psalm 134B "Bless the Lord, All Servants of the Lord"

*\* Congregation will please stand.*

*We are so glad that you could join us today!* Please be sure to return next week and bring a friend.

## Scripture Memory and Catechism Questions & Answers

**"For the Lamb who is in the midst of the throne will shepherd them and lead them to living fountains of waters. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."**—Revelation 7:17. **"And He put all things under His feet, and gave Him to be head over all things to the church, which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all."**—Ephesians 1:22-23.

**Q. 106. What do we pray for in the sixth petition? A. In the sixth petition, which is, And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, we pray that God would either keep us from being tempted to sin, or support and deliver us when we are tempted.**

**Q. 107. What doth the conclusion of the Lord's prayer teach us? A. The conclusion of the Lord's prayer, which is, For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever, Amen, teacheth us to take our encouragement in prayer from God only, and in our prayers to praise him, ascribing kingdom, power and glory to him. And in testimony of our desire, and assurance to be heard, we say, Amen.**

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Revelation 7 "The Indestructible Church" (Part 3)

Theme: The indestructible church worships God for His salvation.

I. Sealing the 144,000

A. A vision with four angels and then another angel

B. The 144,000—symbolic; elect; God's perfect work

II. The Worship before the Throne

A. The multitude before the throne—offering enthusiastic worship

B. The angels

1. Surrounded the throne and 24 elders and the 4 cherubim

2. Their actions—they fell on their faces; they

worshipped

3. “Amen!”; 7-fold ascription of praise

### III. The Multitude of Saints

#### A. Question and answer

#### B. Identification of the multitude

1. They’ve come out of the great tribulation
2. They’ve washed their robes making them white in Lamb’s blood

#### A. Blessedness of the saints

1. Happy in their place
2. Happy in their employment
3. Happy in freedom from all of life’s inconveniences
4. Happy in the love and guidance of Jesus Christ
5. Happy in deliverance from sorrow

### Application

#### A. Lessons on salvation

1. Great number of saved
2. Great incentive for making your calling and election sure

#### B. Lessons on life

1. Grief is real—maybe you’ve suffered a tremendous, painful loss
2. There are those who are inconsolable in the face of tragedy
3. But, Christians are called upon to grieve as those who have hope