



## Middleburg Memos

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The Bible depicts a timeline that includes past, present, and future. God is not \_\_\_\_\_ in or \_\_\_\_\_ by time. He created time as a construct within \_\_\_\_\_—part of His \_\_\_\_\_. Our experience as human beings is inextricably linked to \_\_\_\_\_.

The Bible's doctrine of \_\_\_\_\_, which focuses on Last Things, provides a future horizon for Christian \_\_\_\_\_ and Christian \_\_\_\_\_.

Believers are to live in eager \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ's coming and absolute \_\_\_\_\_ that God will consummate all things and accomplish His \_\_\_\_\_.

We understand that creation is \_\_\_\_\_, as revealed in Scripture. But even as we live and witness in this fallen world, we look forward to a \_\_\_\_\_ and a \_\_\_\_\_ (consider **Isaiah 65:17** and **Revelation 21:1**).

Eschatological positions should be held with a keen balance of \_\_\_\_\_ AND \_\_\_\_\_. \_\_\_\_\_ is unnecessary and often harmful in this particular area of Christianity. (*We should not avoid the subject entirely nor should we make it the sole focus of our lives and theological pursuits. Consider the concept of THEOLOGICAL TRIAGE.*)

I (Pastor Bobby) am a \_\_\_\_\_.

What does PT-PM look like? Simply put... \_\_\_\_\_ →  
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No matter which eschatological position you hold, there are several essential truths. The Bible tells us that Christ will return to earth \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.

The resurrection of Christ guarantees all true believers of their \_\_\_\_\_. Let's read **1 Thessalonians 4:13–18**.

The righteous—those who are declared righteous by grace through faith in Christ alone—will be \_\_\_\_\_. The unrighteous will be consigned to hell, the place of \_\_\_\_\_.

The \_\_\_\_\_, as taught in Scripture, provides an essential frame of reference for the Christian life. Believers need to know that God's \_\_\_\_\_ will be fully realized.

For believers this judgment is \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ because of the work of Christ.

“We may have boldness/confidence in the day of judgment...” **1 John 4:17**

Scripture promises that Christ will claim His own and that on the day of judgment believers will find in Christ an \_\_\_\_\_ who will ensure our \_\_\_\_\_.

“Since we have been declared righteous by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.” **Romans 5:1**

“If anyone sins we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.” **1 John 2:1b**

The Bible reveals that believers, having been resurrected and glorified, will receive \_\_\_\_\_ commensurate with Christian \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ (see Matthew 16:27; Luke 3:35; Luke 14:13-14; Galatians 6:9).

The Bible does not specifically tell us how to understand these \_\_\_\_\_, but we are to anticipate God's judgment, knowing that God's determination will be absolutely \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

**Cross-References:** *Isaiah 2:4; 11:9; Matthew 16:27; 18:8-9; 19:28; 24:27, 30, 36, 44; 25:31-46; 26:64; Mark 8:38; 9:43-48; Luke 12:40, 48; 16:19-26; 17:22-37; 21:27-28; John 14:1-3; Acts 1:11; 17:31; Romans 14:10; 1 Corinthians 4:5; 15:24-28, 35-58; 2 Corinthians 5:10; Philippians 3:20-21; Colossians 1:5; 3:4; 1 Thessalonians 4:14-18; 5:1ff.; 2 Thessalonians 1:7ff.; 2; 1 Timothy 6:14; 2 Timothy 4:1, 8; Titus 2:13; Hebrews 9:27-28; James 5:8; 2 Peter 3:7ff.; 1 John 2:28; 3:2; Jude 14; Revelation 1:18; 3:11; 20:1-22:13*