Alderwood Community Church February 25, 2018

The Return of the King God Came: The Doctrine of Christ Matthew 24:45-51 (Page 983 or 993)

Big Idea: Jesus' future return changes our lives now.

Three Ways Jesus' Return Changes Life Now

1. _____ to walk with Christ.

2. _____ on what really matters in life.

3. _____ in the midst of suffering.

Our hearts all ______ for something: if it isn't Jesus, you can be sure that it is ______.

Sermon Questions:

We want to hear stories of how God is working in the lives of our church family! Share with your group how God has blessed your life through the people and ministries of ACC.

1. On a scale of 1 to 10, where does Jesus' imminent return fall in terms of influencing your daily life?

How did Pastor Wyatt's message help you think differently about His return?

2. Read **Mark 13:32-37**. What is Jesus' main point here? What is the reason behind it?

How specifically can you fulfill His command in your life?

3. Read **1 Thessalonians 5:1-11**. What terms or word pictures does Paul use to describe Jesus' return?

List the actions believers should take in light of the imminent return of Christ.

Which is most pressing for you in your walk with the Lord?

4. Read **1 John 2:28-3:3**. What excites you most about Jesus' return? What causes you to be anxious?

What is true of Christians now and in the future? How does this influence your hope in Jesus' return?

According to John, what must we do now in order to have confidence when Jesus returns?

What does that mean in practical terms for you?