



The End of Reality **As We Know It**

The Church as Kingdom Community **Part II**

Missional Points (Review)

- **We live with the idea that the Gospel's chief aim is to make us fit for heaven, when in reality Jesus' message is focused on making us citizens and recipients of the Kingdom of God today.**
- **If the story is all about death and eternity, then the church just becomes about programs to keep the uninterested interested.**
- **The Gospel is about participation, not consumption.**

Missional Points

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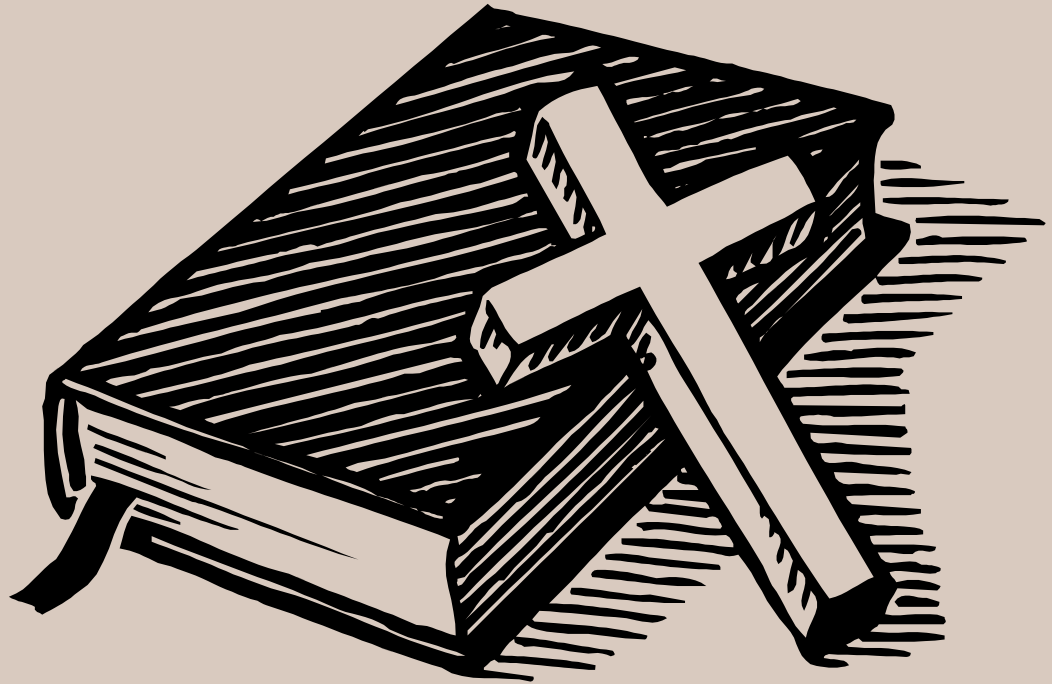
- **As an apprentice to Christ, we are learning how to live every moment of our lives in the reality of God's kingdom.**
- **Discipleship to Christ is learning to walk in the Spirit.**

The Christian Life

- **Reality**

- **Resolution**

- **Rhythm**



Missional Points

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- Discipleship to Christ is learning to walk in the Spirit.
- Discipleship is about participating in God's new reality—being invited into the heart and life of God.

**What is the story that
we are caught up
into?**



Amos 5:22-24

“Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them; and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals I will not look upon. Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your hearts. But let justice roll down like waters and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.”

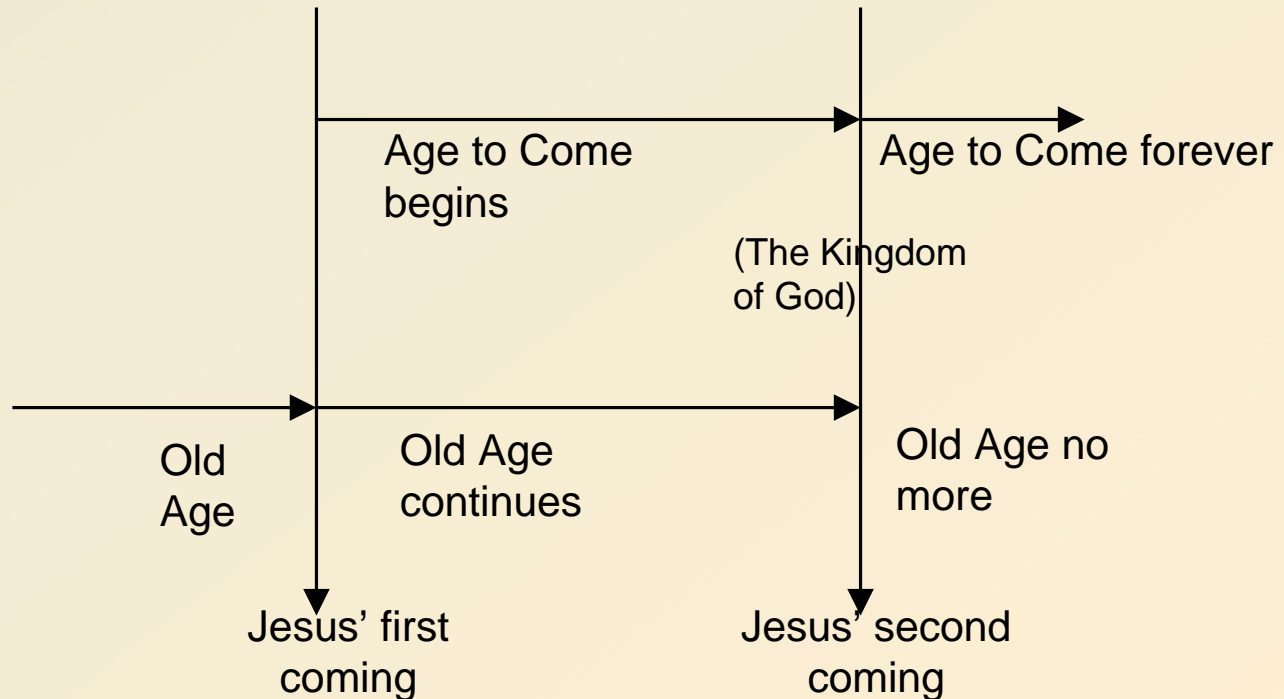
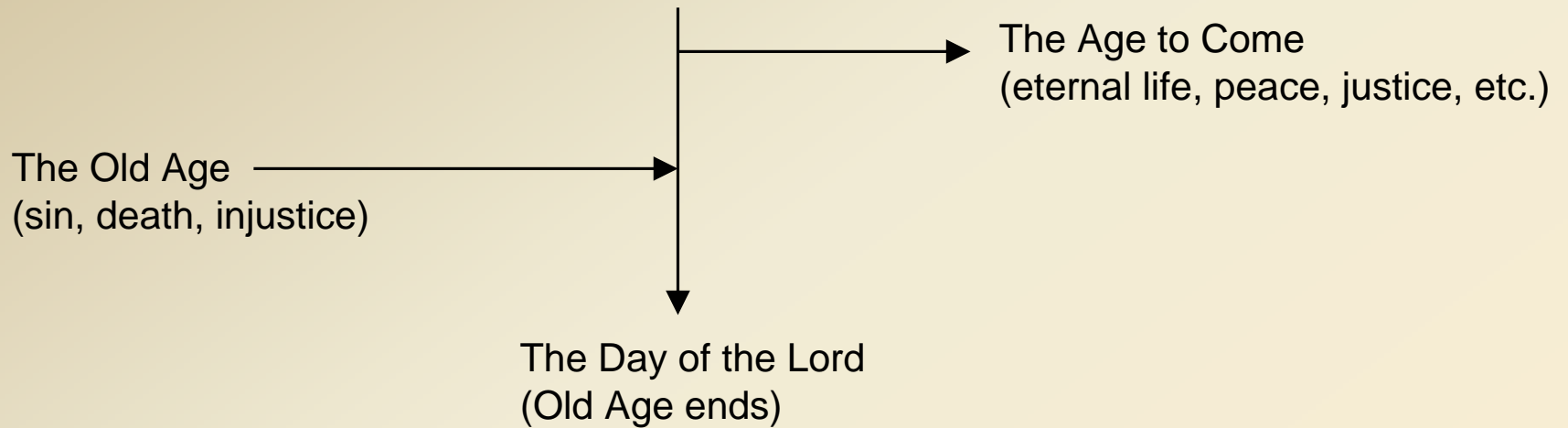


Isaiah 2:2-4

“In days to come the mountain of the Lord’s house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, ‘Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that He may teach us His ways and that we may walk in His paths.’ For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the Word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore.”

Isaiah 9:1-2, 5-7

“But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time, He brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time He will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined. For all the boots of the tramping warriors and all the garments rolled in blood shall be burned as fuel for the fire. For a Child has been born for us, a Son given to us; authority rests upon His shoulders; and He is named Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. His authority shall grow continually, and there shall be endless peace for the throne of David and his kingdom. He will establish and uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time onward and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts shall do this.”



Missional Points



- The Church is like a prophet sent out on behalf of the reign of God.
- The Church is the body of Christ (ongoing incarnation).
- The Church is communities of the reign of God—bodies of people sent on a mission.