#### Announcing the

### from Mark's Gospel

### Living in Light of the Future Kingdom

## The Kingdom of God is...

### ...already here but not yet in its completed form

"<sup>1</sup>Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, <sup>2</sup>but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. <sup>3</sup>He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high"





"And whoever speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven, either **in this age** or **in the age to come**."

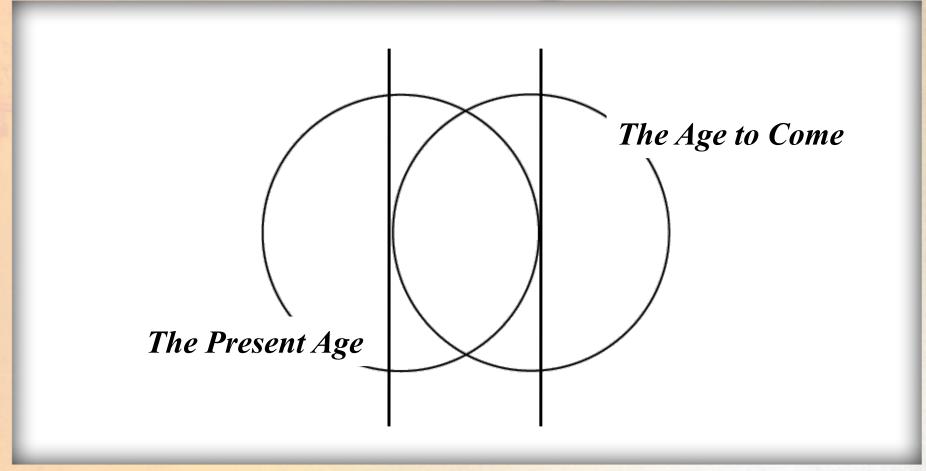




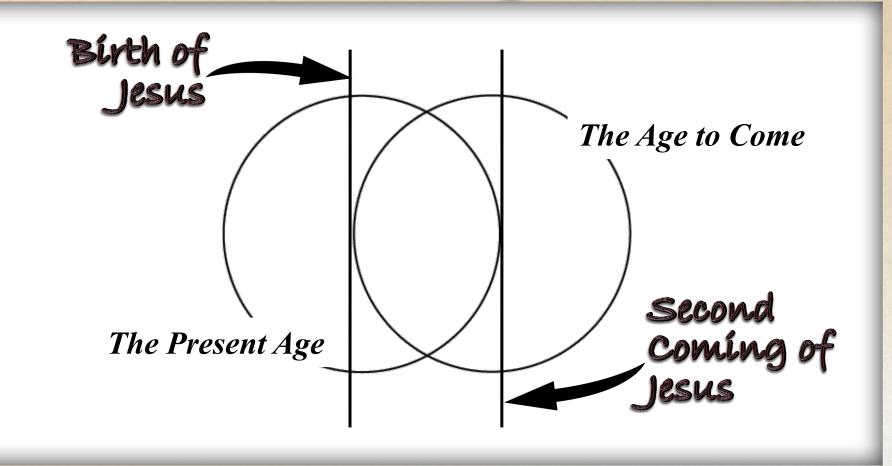
"And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then **the end will come**."



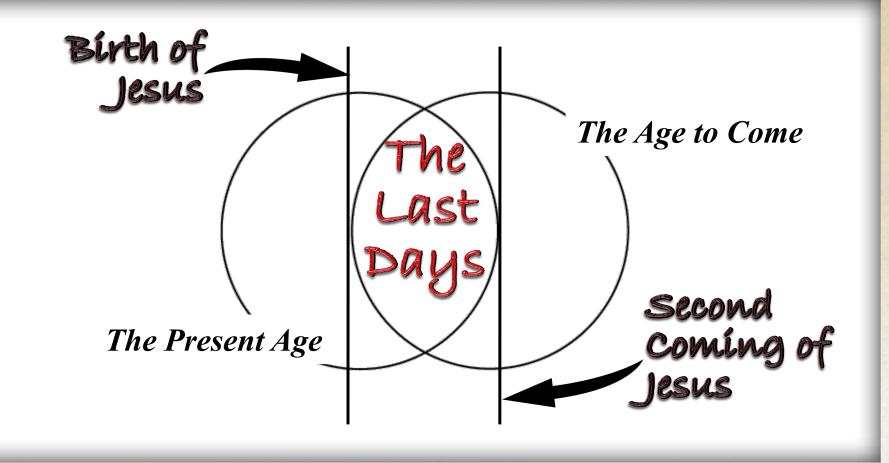








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### Why the delay?

"<sup>8</sup>But do not overlook this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. <sup>9</sup>The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance."

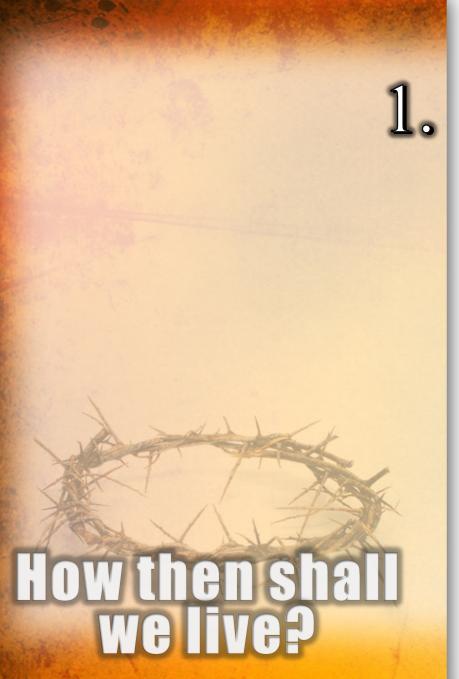




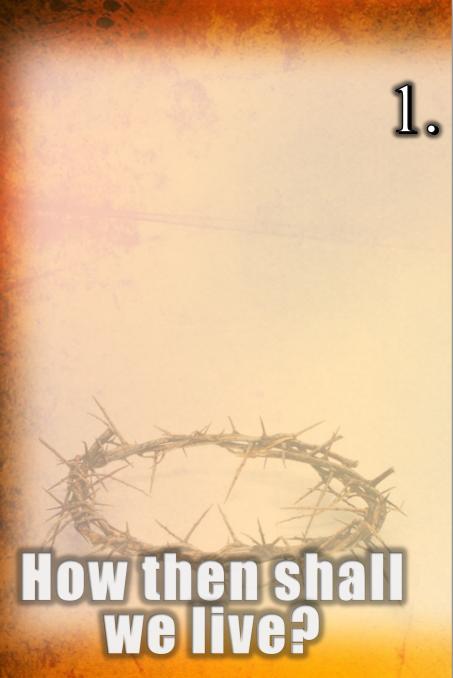
# How then shall we live?

Francis A. Schaeffer HOW SHOULD WE THEN LIVE? THE RISE AND DECLINE OF WESTERN THOUGHT AND CULTURE



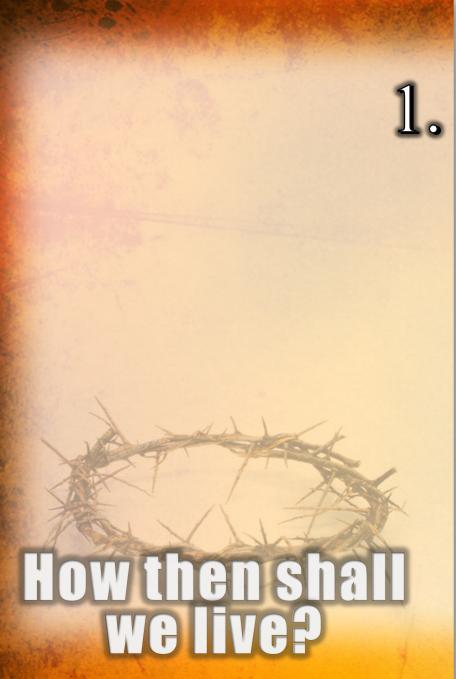


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# 2. In light of the resurrection of Jesus.

### The resurrection ensures our...

"<sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup> to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup> who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time." 2 Peter 3:8-9 (ESV)

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### The resurrection ensures our...

"<sup>24</sup> It will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord,
 <sup>25</sup>who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification."



**Romans 4:24-25 (ESV)** 



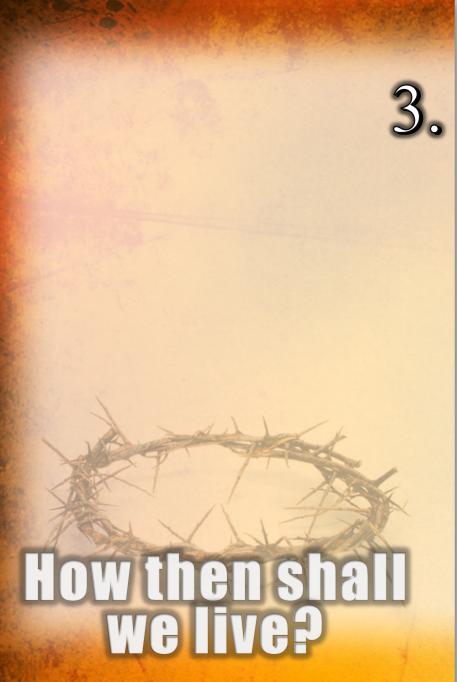
### The resurrection ensures our...

"<sup>14</sup> And God raised the Lord
and will also raise us up by his power.
<sup>15</sup> Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ?!"



1 Corinthians 6:14-15 (ESV)





### , In light of the Holy Spirit.

Who is given to us

Who is gifted to us

### **Our Future Hope**

"<sup>4</sup>He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away. <sup>5</sup>And he who was seated on the throne said, 'Behold, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.""

**Revelations 21:4-5** 

