CHILDRENS SERMON -

hide and seek....count backwards

ready or not, here I come

Revelation 19:11-16 - The Blessed Hope

<u>Intro</u> - Hope is a great thing...for a lot of things...The hope of the Christian is to see Christ – 1 John 3:2-3 Jesus promised to come again – John 14:1-3

Angels confirmed it – Acts 1:11

believers long for it - 2 Tim. 4:8 have been waiting for it - Heb. 9:28 will be mocked for it - 2 Peter 3:3-4 Revelation begins with it - Rev. 1:7 reminds us of it - 3:11; 16:15 we have finally come to it!- the Blessed hope, the glorious appearing of our great God- Titus 2:13

4 names of the Coming One that give hope & 4 truths of the 2nd Coming that give hope

FOUR NAMES for HOPE

Proverbs 18:10 - "The name of the LORD is a strong tower, the righteous run to it and are safe"

- 1. FAITHFUL and TRUE 19:11
 - a. There may not be a lot you can count on in life....but you can count on Christ!
 - b. His name is FAITHFUL Jesus is the epitome of faithfulness Is. 11:5
 - i. Great is His faithfulness (Lam. 3:23-24)
 - ii. in affliction(Ps. 119:75) in temptation(1 Cor. 10:13) completion (1 Thess. 5:24)
 - c. His name is TRUE you can trust Jesus He cannot lie Titus 1:2
 - i. Lies are the language of the day, but Jesus says "I am theTRUTH" (John 14:6)
- 2. The UNKNOWN NAME 19:12
 - a. God has revealed Himself in nature and in scripture...only a part (Job 26:14 whisper)
 - b. Jesus is transcendent there are things only He knows (that gives hope)
 - c. Psalm 131 Job 42:3 (too wonderful) Ps. 139:6 (too lofty to attain)
 - d. Judges 13:18 Is. 9:6 Jesus is incomprehensible and wonderful ---HOPEFUL
- 3. THE WORD OF GOD 19:13
 - a. Men are known by their word and God is known by His WORD John 1:1-5
 - b. The SON is the summation of all God has to say to us Heb. 1:1-3
 - c. If you want hope then get to know the WORD OF GOD
- 4. KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS 19:16
 - a. "King of the Jews" was written over His cross. "King of kings" over His 2nd coming
 - b. He has many crowns (19:12)
 - c. He redeems from(Rev. 5:9), and rules over, every nation Phil. 2:9-11 (Isaiah 45:22-23)

FOUR TRUTHS for HOPE

Jesus is coming: Quickly, Justly, with Many and in much Glory

- 1. QUICKLY The 2nd Coming has been promised for a long time but will come in a quick time a. M. Hitchcock - 2 coming mentioned 1845 times in Bible -only 4 NT books don't mention b. Mentioned a lot and for a long time...but don't lose hope i. "where is the coming He promised?" (parable of 10 virgins) c. It has been a long time but when it starts it will happen fast not drawn out i. "I come quickly" Rev. 1:1 **SUDDENLY** ii. In an hour you think not (Matt. 24:42-44) as a thief in the night - Rev. 16:15 iii. flash/twinkling of eye 1 Cor. 15:52 d. we are to WATCH Mark 13:35-37 2. JUSTLY a. Jesus will come as a Man of War and will judge the nations Rev. 19:11 (Ex. 15:3) b. Does the evil in our world get you down? When will all these wrong be made right? i. At the 2nd Coming Jesus will judge justly (Isaiah 11:4) c. Eyes of blazing fire (19:12) nothing escapes His gaze - Heb. 4:12-13 i. Rom. 2:16 "knowing their thoughts" "I know your works" d. Sword out His mouth (19:15) He spoke the worlds into existence by His Word and with His WORD He will judge the world 2 Thess. 2:8 (Is. 11:4c) e. Robe dipped in blood (19:13) whose blood? i. His own Rev. 5:9 ii. His enemies tread the winepress (19:15) Rev. 14:19-20 Is. 63:1-5 iii. His saints Rev. 19:2 Rev. 6:9-10 blood of Able cried out to Lord. iv. The ONE who redeemed men by His own blood also sheds the blood of rebels and avenges the blood of His saints (did it to the least of these you did it to Me f. Have HOPE - Jesus will make all wrongs right - for He will come JUSTLY 3. With MANY when Jesus comes again He will not come alone 19:14 a. With Angels -Matt. 25:31 2 Thess. 1:7 1 Thess. 4:16 b. With saints (do you have some of them with Jesus now?) Rev. 17:14 i. 1 Thess. 4:13-18 the Good Shepherd is returning will all His departed sheep ii. What a day of rejoicing that will be! 4. In GLORY - the glories of heaven and heavens ruler are closed to us now, but on that day 19:11 a. Heaven will open and He who is Faithful and True will come through b. I will happen so fast; and He will come to bring justice; and with all the saints c. It will be glorious! Matt. 24:29 - in clouds of heaven with power and great glory i. Matt. 25:31 - comes in glory with all angels with Him and sits on glorious throne ii. Luke 9:26 - "...He comes in glory and in the glory of His Father iii. 2 Thess. 2:6 the splendor of His coming iv. 2 Thess. 1:10 comes to be glorified and marveled at among all who believe v. Titus 2:13 "looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great
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God and Savior Jesus Christ