



Outline:

*Main point:* The end is upon us. Let us not shrink back! Let us overcome!

1. The Last Days.
2. The Final Judgment
3. The New Heavens and New Earth.

Quotes:

Matthew 12:29: How can someone enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man? Then indeed he may plunder his house.

C.S. Lewis, *The Great Divorce*: "There are only two kinds of people in the end: those who say to God, "Thy will be done," and those to whom God says, in the end, "Thy will be done." All that are in Hell, choose it."

Edward Fisher, *The Marrow of Modern Divinity*: "'This,' says God the Father, 'is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased' (Matt. 3:17); where upon the Luther says in another place, 'We must not think and persuade ourselves that this voice came from heaven for Christ's own sake but for our sakes. . . . The truth is, Christ had no need that it should be said unto him, "This is my beloved Son," he knew that from all eternity . . . therefore, by these words, God the Father, in Christ his Son, cheers the hearts of poor sinners, and greatly delights them with singular comfort and heavenly sweetness, assuring them, that whosoever is married unto Christ, and so in him by faith, he is as acceptable to God the Father as Christ himself. . . . Wherefore, if you would be acceptable to God, and be made his dear child, then by faith cleave unto his beloved Son Christ, and hang about his neck, yea, and creep into his bosom; and so shall the love and favor of God be as deeply insinuated into you as it is into Christ himself; and so shall God the Father, together with his beloved Son, wholly possess you, and be possessed of you.'"

C.S. Lewis, *The Last Battle*: "And as He spoke He no longer looked to them like a lion; but the things that began to happen after were so great and beautiful that I cannot write them. And for us this is the end of all the stories, and we can most truly say that they all lived happily after. But for them it was only the beginning of the real story. All their life in this world and all their adventures in Narnia had only been the cover and the title page: now at last they were beginning Chapter One of the Great Story which no one on earth has read: which goes on forever: in which every chapter is better than the one before."