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"Next Great Event – Resurrection"

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At **1:44 am**, on September 26, 2008, I heard: **"The next great event is the resurrection."** The number **144** refers to resurrected ones, as well as the **144,000 remnant** of the tribes of Israel.

Then, **35 days** later on October 30, 2008, as I put my head down on the pillow for the night, I heard: **"Look up, your redemption draws near. Look at the clock."** So, I looked at the clock and it was **11:11 pm**.

The Lord that I know does not waste words, and He does not give numbers without reason. So, let me offer an interpretation with what light I have.

First, the first prophetic event announcing the second coming of Christ is the resurrection of the dead in Christ or, as Paul called it, the **out-resurrection** (Philippians 3:11 Wuest), which will occur during the **Feast of Trumpets** in the year appointed by the Father. Consequently, this word speaks of **the coming of our Lord and of His kingdom**.

Second, **resurrection** and **redemption** refer to putting off mortal bodies and putting on immortal bodies, so, without doubt, these two words link what was spoken to me. As Paul wrote, we need to be clothed with our dwelling from heaven, which is a glorified, spiritual, celestial body in the image of Christ (1 Corinthians 15:42-55; 2 Corinthians 5:1-4; Philippians 3:20-21; Colossians 1:27; 1 John 3:2). Resurrection and redemption both refer to the body and go hand-in-hand.

Third, the number **35** signifies **hope**, which speaks of our expectation of the redemption of our body, which those who are asleep in Jesus will receive through resurrection. Paul, who defended the resurrection, wrote:

(23) And not only this, but also we ourselves, having the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting eagerly for our adoption as sons, the redemption of our body. (24) For in hope we have been saved, but hope that is seen is not hope; for who hopes for what he already sees? (Romans 8:23-24 NASB)

Our hope or expectation is to be **placed as sons in the kingdom**, and, for this to be possible, we must be resurrected from among the dead, if we have fallen asleep in Christ, and be transfigured into the image of Christ, unless we are alive and remain when He comes, in which case we must be transfigured.

Sonship in the coming kingdom and the redemption of our body are inseparable.

Notice how Paul continued his thought by making **sonship and redemption our hope**, and this hope is not possible in the oncoming eon without the first or *out-resurrection*.

Let me state this in the most emphatic way I know how: The kingdom of our Lord cannot and will not begin to overtake the nations of the world until God has placed His sons of glory (Hebrews 2:10) in His kingdom as its rulers, administrators, and judges, and this is totally dependent on the first or *out*-resurrection and the redemption of the bodies of those who will be counted worthy to attain to the coming eon (age) (Luke 20:34-36) to rule and reign with Christ (Revelation 5:10; 20:4-6).

Fourth, since the Lord told me to look at the clock in conjunction with His word, seeing four ones lined up in a row caught my attention. The number 1 signifies unity; the sum of 1111 is 4 and signifies the fullness of creation; the number 11, which appears twice in 11:11, signifies disorder and disintegration.

I could see some merit to each meaning, but they did not quite fit with redemption. Then, I felt led to Isaiah 11:11 and saw a connection to the number **144**, which refers to **a remnant** (Revelation 7).

Then it will happen on that day that the Lord will again recover the second time with His hand the remnant of His people, who will remain. (Isaiah 11:11 NASB)

The context of Isaiah's prophecy is the coming kingdom of Christ when the earth will be full of the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the seas. In that day, He will recover for the second time a **remnant** as He gathers a company of people by way of the first resurrection; reuniting both Judah, which refers to **kingship** (Genesis 49:10), and Ephraim, which refers to **sonship** (Genesis 48:17-20; 49:22).

Who is this remnant?

They are the sons of the resurrection, the many sons of glory, the heirs of the kingdom, **the conquerors of Christ**, and **the true spiritual Israel**. The ones counted worthy to be the remnant are not deemed so because of their flesh, bloodline, pedigree, nationality, or country, but because of the Spirit of Christ within them and their life that conquered while in bodies of death. They will attain unto the Kingdom of Christ to reign with Him for a thousand years.

For the kingdom of our Lord to come to this earth, the resurrection must come. This is the next great event. Here is the good news: It is coming! Look up!

The King and His Kingdom are coming!

Postscript [April 24, 2012]:

I have realized that I have overlooked two very important proofs of the meaning of the number 11:11, and they are discovered through John the apostle.

This He said, and after that He said to them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep; but I go, so that I may awaken him out of sleep." (John 11:11 NASB)

But after the three and a half days, the breath of life from God came into them, and they stood on their feet; and great fear fell upon those who were watching them. (Revelation 11:11 NASB)

In these two passages, we discover the resurrection of Lazarus and the two witnesses.

Truly, our redemption comes with bodily resurrection as already noted in Romans 8:23.