Sunday Morning | August 21, 2016 FANTASTIC SUMMER Sundays "FINAL THINGS"

REVELATION 1:1

I. FOUNDATION OF FINAL THINGS

1. There's an end (Acts 17:31; Matthew 24:35).

TRUTH: Life is not cyclical but linear (Hebrews 9:27).

TRUTH: "Right now" had a beginning, and it will have an end (Genesis 1:1; 2 Peter 3:3-7).

2. No end for us (Ecclesiastes 12:7 GN)

TRUTH: We are not candles that are blown out (2 Corinthians 5:1-2).

TRUTH: The end of all things is coming, and even if we die before the end, we will be part of what takes place at the end of time (Hebrews 9:27 NIV).

3. Things will get worse and worse (Matthew 24:7, 10-12, 19, 21 NIV).

TRUTH: Satan is real, and the Bible says there's coming a time when he will gain control of this planet, and it will be a time of absolute evil and horror.

4. There is a war all around us (Isaiah 46:9; Ezek. 28:14; Luke 10:18; Eph. 6:12 Phillips).

TRUTH: There is another world besides the one we can see, and the other world influences and deceives world affairs.

5. God is sovereign (Psalm 115:3).

TRUTH: God writes the script of world events.

TRUTH: Justice will prevail as the world ends and as God wills, and each individual gets what they deserve.

II. WHAT HAPPENS AT DEATH?

- 1. No soul sleep (1 Thessalonians 4:16; Ecclesiastes 12:7)
- 2. Where we go is sealed at death (Revelation 20:11-13 Msg).

TRUTH: The decisions about Jesus that we die with are sealed at death.

3. We are judged at death (Hebrews 9:27 NIV; Romans 14:10 NIV).

INVITATION: God's judgment determines heaven or hell.

TRUTH: Jesus never made it easy to follow Him to heaven (Luke 13:23; Matthew 7:13-14).