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Celebrate Christmas: Week 3
Is He Coming Back?
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[Luke 9:22] The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be **raised**.

[Matthew 12:40] For just as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the great fish, so will the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.

[Matthew 16:21] From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised.

[Matthew 17:22 & 23] **22** The Son of Man is about to be delivered into the hands of men, **23** and they will kill him, and he will be raised on the third day.

[Matthew 20:18 & 19] **18** See, we are going up to Jerusalem. And the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and scribes, and they will condemn him to death **19** and deliver him over to the Gentiles to be mocked and flogged and crucified, and he will be raised on the third day.

[Matthew 26:31 & 32] **31** You will all fall away because of me this night. For it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.' **32** But after I am raised up, I will go before you to Galilee.

[Luke 4:18 & 19] **18** "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, **19** to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

[Luke 4:30] But passing through their midst, he went away.

[2 Peter 3:2-11] **2** ... that you should remember the predictions of the **holy prophets** and the commandment of the Lord and Savior through your apostles, **3** knowing this first of all, that scoffers will come in the **last days** with scoffing, following their own sinful desires. **4** They will say, "Where is the **promise** of his coming? For ever since the fathers fell asleep, all things are continuing as they were from the beginning of creation." **5** For they deliberately overlook this fact, that the heavens existed long ago, and the earth was formed out of water and through water by the word of God, **6** and that by means of these the world that then existed was deluged with water and perished. **7** But by the same word the heavens and earth that now exist are stored up for fire, being kept until the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly. **8** 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. **9** 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. **10** But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed. **11** Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, **what sort of people ought you to be** in lives of **holiness** and **godliness**, **12** waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set on fire and dissolved, and the heavenly bodies will melt as they burn! **13** But according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.