One Foundation (5):

Consummation

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(Elbing Catechism) (Workbook)



What is the eternal hope of the believer?

One Foundation (Elbing) 1. Creation (who God is) (wk 1) 2. Fall (who we are) (wk 2) 3. Redemption (how we are saved) a. Divine **Provision** (wk 2) b. Human Response • Faith in Christ (wk 3) Life and Conduct (wk 4) c. Consummation (wk 5)



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It is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment



Enoch walked with God, and he was not, for God took him.

Genesis 5:24 (ESV)

Chariots of **fire** and horses of fire separated the two of them. And Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven.

II Kings 2:11 (ESV)



The Lord himself will descend from heaven [...]

Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air

I Thessalonians 4:16-17 (ESV)



Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, fear him who can

destroy both soul and body in hell.

Matthew 10:28 (ESV)



What happens when we die?

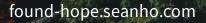
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If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also.

John 14:3 (ESV)





The day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar,

[...] and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed.

II Peter 3:10 (ESV)



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**.

II Peter 3:9 (ESV)



Signs of Christ's Return

- Falling Away from Faith (2 Thes 2:2-3)
 "the rebellion comes first"
- Deeply Absorbed in World (Mt 24:37-39)
 "as in the days of Noah"
- Gospel Preached to World (Mt 24:14)

"as a a testimony to all nations"

Grievous Times (2 Tim 3) (Mt 24:12)
"times of difficulty," "lovers of self"

How will Christ return? When?

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Having a hope in God, [...] that there will be a resurrection of both the just and the unjust.

Acts 24:15 (ESV)

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An hour is coming when all who are in the tombs will hear his voice and come out,

those who have done good to the resurrection of life,

and those who have done evil to the resurrection of judgment

John 5:28-29 (ESV)

Do we simply disappear after death?

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To those who by patience in well-doing seek for glory and honor and immortality, he will give eternal life;

8 but for those who are self-seeking and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, there will be wrath and fury.

Romans 2:7-8 (ESV)



The Lord will not forsake his people; he will not abandon his heritage;

15 for justice will return to the righteous, and all the upright in heart will follow it.

Psalm 94:14-15 (ESV)



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Christ **redeemed** us from the curse of the law by becoming a **curse** for us –

for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree"

Galatians 3:13 (ESV)



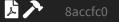
Therefore, there is now **no condemnation** for those who are in Christ Jesus, 2 because through Christ Jesus the law of the **Spirit** who gives **life** has set you **free** from the law of sin and **death**

Romans 8:1-2 (ESV)



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Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession.

9 You shall break them with a rod of iron and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel

Psalm 2:8-9 (ESV)

The **nations** raged, but your **wrath** came, and the time for the **dead** to be judged,

and for **rewarding** your servants, the prophets and **saints**, and those who **fear** your name, both small and great,

and for destroying the destroyers of the earth."

Revelation 11:18 (ESV)



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And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened.

Then another book was opened, which is the book of life.

And the dead were **judged** by what was written in the books, according to what they had done.



Revelation 20:12 (ESV)

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The devil who had deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and sulfur where the beast and the false prophet were,

and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.

Revelation 20:10 (ESV)



How will the faithful be judged? The unrighteous?

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Behold, the **dwelling** place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his **people**, and God himself will be with them as their **God**.

Revelation 21:3 (ESV) (p.1/2)

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He will wipe away every **tear** from their eyes, and **death** shall be no more, neither shall there be **mourning**, nor crying, nor pain anymore,

for the former things have passed away."

Revelation 21:4 (ESV) (p.2/2)



On those who do not know God and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus,

9 They will suffer the punishment of eternal destruction,

away from the **presence** of the Lord and from the **glory** of his might

II Thessalonians 1:8-9 (ESV)



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