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How will everything get from here _____ to there _____ ?

WHY BOTHER STUDYING PROPHECY?

1. It gives us a greater love and respect for God's Word _____
 - We see the amazing prophecies God has already fulfilled
 - It gives us a well founded hope _____ that He will fulfill his prophecies for the future
 - It gives us a greater understanding of all _____ Bible truth
2. It encourages us to be watchful _____ and pure _____
 - Be ready for the imminent _____ (*any minute*) return of Christ.
 - **1 John 2:28-3:3**
3. It gives us the big picture of life _____ and this world _____
 - A better understanding of past, present and future
 - It shows us that God has a plan _____ for man and for earth
 - All ends well _____: God will correct all injustices, He will right the wrongs, He will rid the world of evil.

WHAT WE CAN'T KNOW ...

- The date _____ of Christ's return (**Acts 1:6-7**)
- The identity of the Antichrist _____
- The role of the United States _____ in biblical prophecy
- Specific details _____ that go *beyond* what is clearly spelled out in Scripture

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George Earle Buckle

CHRIST _____ IS THE CENTER OF GOD'S PLAN:

1. Christ will return in the air _____ for His own
2. Christ is challenged with the rise of the Antichrist _____
3. Christ troubles the nations _____ and Israel _____
4. Christ comes to rescue _____ and judge Israel, and to judge _____ the nations
5. Christ rules the world for 1,000 _____ years from an earthly throne
6. Christ defeats _____ His enemies and the final judgment of the unbelievers _____
7. Christ creates a new heaven and a new earth _____

SO WHAT IS NEXT?

THE RETURN OF CHRIST IN THE AIR

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The angels at the ascension said in Acts 1:10-11

- **How _____ will all of this happen?**
 - **1 Thessalonians 4:16-17**
 - **1 Corinthians 15:51-52**
- **When will this take place? No one really knows _____**
 - **Matthew 24:44**
 - His return has been *imminent* since Jesus left this earth, although in our human minds it has been long delayed (**2 Peter 3:9**)
- **What will happen to the believers who have been "caught up"?**
 - The judgment seat of Christ – **2 Corinthians 5:10**
 - The issue at hand for those who are at this judgment is not salvation _____, it is reward _____.
 - Each believer will give an account of him/herself _____.
 - **Romans 14:12**
 - The primary issue will be faithfulness _____
1 Corinthians 4:2,4
 - Some will receive reward _____, others will suffer loss _____ **1 Corinthians 3:11-15**

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