

No Second Chance!

(II Thessalonians 2:8-12)

There is coming a day, and it's not far away, when the trumpet of heaven will sound;
And those who have heard and believed in God's Word will be raptured to holier ground.¹
But the rest will be left, and completely bereft of all hope for forgiveness from sins,
For seven long years of regretting and tears, when the great tribulation begins.²

Consider the ark, where from the dawn until dark, Noah warned of the judgement to come;
While they jested and jeered as the awful day neared, thinking most of his scruples were dumb.³
There were seven days more after God shut the door, before the rain started to fall,
But it was too late to enter the gate, for the fate was determined for all.⁴

Be warned in advance that there's no second chance, once the day of God's mercy is past,
His grace will be done when He orders His Son to judge those who scorned Him at last.⁵
With eyes full of flame He'll remember the shame He endured when He died in your place,
And He'll know that you knew what He suffered for you, and rejected His offer of grace.⁶

Satan's powers will be pooled where the Romans once ruled, in a despot commissioned by hell,
To deceive those who should have believed when they could, and he'll capture them all in his spell;⁷
So they will not repent when the prophets are sent to warn them to flee from his reign,
And bearing his dark and inscrutable mark, they will die when his armies are slain.⁸

And those who arrive at the kingdom alive will be sentenced by Christ from His throne;
And though they lay claim to things done in His name, He'll deny they were ever His own.⁹
He'll bid them depart, and their torment will start as they sink in eternity's gloom;
For when the door shuts there'll be no ifs, or buts, but a sure predilection of doom.¹⁰

Like Esau of old, you may think yourself bold while your soul is suppressing it's fears;
But he lived to lament that he could not repent, though he begged for the blessing with tears.¹¹
So Sinner, don't wait till you find it's too late to yield to the goodness of God,
But come to Him now while He begs you to bow, and submit to His staff and His rod.¹²

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1. I Thessalonians 4:14-17
2. Daniel 9:27 with Isaiah 28:14-20
3. II Peter 2:5
4. Genesis 7:1-16
5. Hebrews 4:7
6. Revelation 1:13, Lamentations 3:19,

7. Revelation 13:1-2,
8. Revelations 13:3-12 plus 13:16-18 & 19:14-21
9. Luke 13:24-29
10. Luke 13:25
11. Hebrews 12:16-19
12. II Corinthians 5:2-21