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Here we are again, having just completed a calendar year and now beginning another. It seems like only yesterday that we were at the beginning of 2010. The year and the days are getting shorter and shorter. More than once I heard people say that Christmas just sneaked up on them. Cathy and I feel that way. We at the beginning of December remarked that we were ahead of the game in getting ready for the holidays; then suddenly it was Christmas Eve. Christmas had sneaked up on us.

That verse at the end of Amos that I quote about time compression certainly applies, doesn't it (Amos 9:13). The years are going by faster and faster. Each season scarcely seems to exist before it is replaced by the next one. Summer, fall, winter, spring, days, nights, weeks, months, it's a whirlwind. And we all seek to get our activities done, to go to work, to take care of house projects, to see people we should see – but where is the time? It's just not there anymore. There just isn't enough time.

A few weeks ago when I was thinking about what to focus on next as regards teaching and writing and such, these words clearly came: "get back to the return." It is to the return of Jesus that we must look now. Time for the return. Jesus was born, lived, died, rose from the dead, and ascended into heaven about 2000 years ago. He's not a baby. He's not a boy. He's not a resident of earth currently, although he soon will be again.

He never really was a normal resident, a typical member of the human race, was he? One of the things we like is that he was born as a human and lived through the problems and situations that many of us have faced. We take comfort that he personally experienced some of our challenges. He knows what it is like to be human.

Well, yes, that's good, that's true. But remember, you and I are born physically from a genetic line of parents and grandparents. We are part of the history of human beings living and reproducing on the planet. Generation after generation. This is where we were born, where our ancestors were born, where our children were or will be born if we have children.

That is not true for Jesus. He came into this world like an invader. He came in from outside. Yes, his mother was a human being, a woman who is part of the human generations. But his father is God himself.

His bloodline is God's. Jesus lived in a physical human body and had a human existence. He is also the son of God, the savior of the world, king of all kings. Everything is under his feet. He existed before any of us did. He was there at the beginning. He is a member of the Holy Trinity. He is God.

This alien to the human society who so dramatically changed the entire human history about 2000 years ago is preparing to come back. It will happen very soon. It has to. The prophecies have made that clear. We have talked much about the prophecies of events to happen before his return now being fulfilled. He talked about all that, about the time and the seasons, about how we can recognize seasons. We certainly should be able to tell the season of his return, that was his point. And we can. It's now.

We also certainly don't know the specific date and hour of his return. He told us 2000 years ago that only the Father knows that. Maybe now I expect he knows the specific time and date. It's an appointed time that will not be changed. When he comes, everything will be different. It will be swift. Listen to his words to me a few years ago:

"I am coming soon. I will have the sword with me. He who is with me will I glorify. Stand firm. Be with me. Walk with me. Live with me. Without me you can do nothing. I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except by me. I long for my church. Do not let them slay you. Keep going. John, this is the end of this age, of all that has been prophesied. What you are teaching them is good. Teach them about the end. This is the end, John. How much more clearly can I say that?"

Jesus said that to me in June 2005. He has expanded on it since. How much closer to his date of return do you think we are now?

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John

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