

Café Theology Week 9: “The Final Victory of God”

Introduction

- Our curiosity concerning what happens in the end
- Key terms: (i) eschatology; (ii) apocalypse

Facets of “The Final Victory of God”

1. Temporal Aspect

2. Judgement

3. Restoration and Renewal

4. Sanctification: A Call to Holiness

Discussion Questions

Head

1. What different eschatologies have you encountered?
2. How does a Christian eschatology view history and time?
3. To what extent is judgement good news?

Heart

4. What does “the final victory of God” – particularly its restorative and renewing aspects – mean for our discipleship and evangelism?
5. How significant is it that the New Testament often links future hope with sanctification?

Useful Scriptures

Isaiah 11:6-9

Zechariah 14:20-21*

1 Corinthians 13:12; 2 Corinthians 5:1-5

Romans 13:11-12

Matthew 13:24-30; 47-52; 19:27-30; 25:31-46

Acts 3:21; Luke 6:10

1 John 3:2-3

Revelation 21-22*

2 Peter 3*

(* = while this passage is particularly enlightening, the whole book is informative on this topic)