

# **Southern Baptist Convention Message**

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## I. Introduction.

- A. Presentation of plaque.
- B. Reception.
- C. The name of Southern Baptists again has been associated with integrity.
- D. We must pray that God would bring back integrity in every way.
- E. Text: Matthew 24.

## II. The Second Coming of Christ.

- A. Questions the disciples asked: When shall these things be? What shall be the sign of Your coming? And when will the end of the world be?
- B. The Second Coming is a neglected doctrine. (Acts 1:8)
- C. The world must be evangelized before the end of the world comes.
- D. The world is in great turmoil now due to the fury of Satan.
- E. Sometimes the sharing of the gospel has lost its authority.
- F. World evangelization and Jesus' return are closely related in Scripture.
- G. With each passing day the time grows shorter to make Christ known.
- E. There is a possibility and promise of simultaneous revival. (Joel 2:28, Acts 3:19, James 5:7)

## III. Elements of revival.

- A. The sovereignty of God.
- B. Confession and repentance. Get right with God and your family. There has never been revival without purging.
- C. Rediscovery of the Word of God.
- D. A recovery of evangelistic fervor.

## IV. The power and authority of the Word of God.

- V. You do not need a vast amount of people to have an evangelistic campaign.

**Application questions**

1. What is the relationship between evangelism and the Second Coming of Christ? Explain.

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2. What are the characteristics of revival and what is man's responsibility in it?

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3. What can you do to help restore an evangelistic fervor to your ministry? Be specific.

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