



## Things to Come

Part 2 - Pastor Brian Gobar  
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### Staying Planted



## I. INTRO/REVIEW

### A. Time flies!

**John 15:8 (NLT)** “When you produce much fruit, you are my true disciples. This brings great glory to my Father.”

- Fruit is something God produces through us when conditions are right

**John 15:4–5 (NLT)** “Remain in me, and I will remain in you. For a branch cannot produce fruit if it is severed from the vine, and you cannot be fruitful remain in me. Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit.”

- The Holy Spirit produces the fruit, but we create the environment

### B. Things to come

**John 16:13 (NKJV)** However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own *authority*, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.

- Why did the heavenly Father think that it was important to give the Holy Spirit the assignment or task to “show us things to come”?

**The Holy Spirit prepares us for the future, by anchoring us in truth so that when an uncertain tomorrow arrives, our faith stands firm.**

### C. Will I find faith?

**Luke 18:8b (NLT)** ... But when the Son of Man returns, how many will he find on the earth who have faith?

- Will I find faith?
  - Because faith is what produces fruit
  - Faith is what endures pressure
  - Faith is what glorifies God
- Faith is remaining steady when outcomes are unclear

## II. THE TENSION OF HERE vs THERE

### A. We live in the tension of “here” vs “there”

**Matthew 17:20 (NKJV)** So Jesus said to them, “Because of your unbelief; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there,’ and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you.



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A graphic with the words "THINGS TO COME" in large, colorful, 3D-style letters. Below the text are several gold-colored gears and a small tree with yellow leaves.

#### B. Our brains have an upgrade problem

- **Hedonism:** This is when someone believes life is all about living for pleasure and comfort, as the ultimate purpose and highest authority
- **Hedonic adaptation:** Explains why pleasure doesn't last, it's when once something becomes normal, it stops satisfying. They say - a brain that stayed satisfied would stop striving, learning, adapting, and surviving. It's a survival feature. But it has a side effect: Satisfaction fades faster than desire
- Human beings are not wired for arrival—we're wired for progress

### III. MADE FOR HERE, MADE FOR MORE

#### A. Times, seasons, purpose

**Ecclesiastes 3:1 (NKJV)** To everything *there is* a season, A time for every purpose under heaven:

**Ecclesiastes 3:11 (NIV)** He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the human heart; yet no one can fathom what God has done from beginning to end.

- Hebrew word for **eternity** means *forever, beyond the horizon, stretching past what we can see*
- Old Testament scholars say this verse means: *God wired the human heart with a sense that this life is not all there is*
- We are born with a homesickness for something we've never seen. We were made for here, and we were made for more

**Ecclesiastes 3:12 (NIV)** I know that there is nothing better for people than to be happy and to do good while they live.

- Psychology explains how dissatisfaction works Scripture explains why it exists

**Augustine:** "You have made us for Yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in You."

#### B. We are eternal beings living in temporary bodies, walking through limited days

#### C. Faith lives in the middle of here and eternity

- If you could see the entire timeline, you wouldn't need faith
- You don't need all the details
- You need deep roots in truth
- You don't need control
- You need confidence in God's character

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