A. Introduction

B. Daniel 7:13-14

C. Zechariah 12

D. Bringing them together (1:7)

E. Matthew 10, 24, & 26

F. Other "Comings"

G. Why Does This Matter?

a) This helps us put the _____ together

b) It helps us appreciate the _____ ministry of Jesus

c) It helps us see the _____

H. The Eternal God (v. 8)

1. What are some things that you can praise God for this week? What are some ways that you could use prayer?
2. What insight, principle, or observation from the message did you find most helpful, most challenging, or most troubling?
3. Consider the ascension of Jesus.
    a. Read Acts 1:9-11. A cloud takes Jesus out of sight, and the angels promise he'll return "in the same way." How does this connect to both "comings" we talked about on Sunday: to the Father, and back to earth?
    b. Read Ephesians 1:19-23, Hebrews 10:12-13, and 1 Corinthians 15:22-28. What is Jesus doing right now? What is he waiting for?
    c. Read Romans 8:34, 1 John 1:21, and Acts 2:33. What do these add to our understanding of the present ministry of Christ?
    d. Which of these do you most often forget? What might it mean for you to apply Colossians 3:1-4 in this regard?
4. Zechariah 12:10 describes people who look on the one they pierced, mourn, and receive "a spirit of grace and pleas for mercy."
    a. Read Acts 2:36-41. How does Pentecost look like Zechariah 12 coming true? Notice who is "cut to the heart."
    b. Read 2 Corinthians 7:9-11. What's the difference between godly grief and worldly grief? How can you tell which one you're feeling?
    c. When you're sorry for your sin, do you tend to avoid the feeling, wallow in it, or receive it as a gift? What would it look like to treat repentance as grace rather than punishment?
5. On Sunday we heard that we sometimes act like every new rebellion is a real challenge to Jesus.
    a. What tends to put you in "panic mode": headlines, trends in the culture, something closer to home?
    b. Read Psalm 2:1-6 and Acts 7:54-56. How does heaven respond to the raging nations? What did Stephen see as he is being killed?
    c. Is there anything in your own experience, like suffering that hasn't lifted or evil that seems to be winning, that makes "the victory is not in question" hard to believe right now? It's okay to say so honestly.
    d. Pray together for the church around the world, especially where it is small and persecuted. Pray that eyes would be opened to see Jesus, and that we would live this week as people whose King is already reigning.