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Because God loves you, He Provides- Part 200

Did you know that God loves you more than anyone else could ever love you?

God proves His love to you by **His hopeful love**. **Titus 2:11-13**, "For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people. It teaches us to say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, while we wait for the <u>blessed hope</u>—the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ."

The Greek word for *blessed hope* is **makarian elpida** which means *His blessing of hope*, *expectation, trust and confidence*. Beloved, there is no greater gift that God could bring to us through *the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ*. It is the coming of the Lord that first brought salvation. It will be the second coming of the Lord that will bring Him glory and manifest His reign over all for eternity. We can have complete confidence that just as He came to bring forgiveness, He will also come to bring His Kingdom to this earth and everyone will see His glory and His grace. He came the first time to take our sins; He will come the second time to take over! What a glorious day!

Rev. 19:11-21, "I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice He judges and wages war. His eyes are like blazing fire, and on His head are many crowns. He has a name written on Him that no one knows but He Himself. He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and His name is the Word of God. The armies of heaven were following Him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean. Coming out of His mouth is a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. "He will rule them with an iron scepter." He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty. On His robe and on His thigh He has this name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS. And I saw an angel standing in the sun, who cried in a loud voice to all the birds flying in midair, "Come, gather together for the great supper of God, so that you may eat the flesh of kings, generals, and the mighty, of horses and their riders, and the flesh of all people, free and slave, great and small." Then I saw the beast and the kings of the earth and their armies gathered together to wage war against the rider on the horse and his army. But the beast was captured, and with it the false prophet who had performed the signs on its behalf. With these signs he had deluded those who had received the mark of the beast and worshiped its image. The two of them were thrown alive into the fiery lake of burning sulfur. The rest were killed with the sword coming out of the mouth of the rider on the horse, and all the birds gorged themselves on their flesh."

Dear Father, praise be to You King Jesus. You are our blessed hope. We look forward with anticipation, the day of Your coming again. In Jesus Name, Amen