

# MercEmail A Weekly Devotional by Steve Higginbotham

## Yet Another Failure

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We cannot escape talking about the failed prediction of Harold Camping. Last Saturday, May 21, 2011 was, according to Camping, supposed to be the time of the return of Jesus and the beginning of "Judgment Day." Camping, with as much confidence as a man could muster, emphatically claimed that the Bible taught that Jesus was returning on this day. However, he was wrong. But rather than poking fun at his failure, I would like to remind you of a few truths we can learn from all this.

- People can be sincere and still be wrong. Sincerity is not the measure of truth. Remember Saul of Tarsus (Acts 23:1).
- People can be led astray by others. Believing a lie can be costly (1 Kings 13:18-24).
- Presumptuously speaking for God causes others to blaspheme (Romans 2:24).
- Saying, "I was wrong," "I don't understand, help me" is hard to say (James 4:10; Acts 8:31).
- Jesus is coming again. Let God be true and every man a liar (Romans 3:4).

What if Jesus had returned on Saturday, would you have been ready? What if he comes tonight, will you be ready?

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