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(Rev6:9-10). The Lord will soon return, even so, come, Lord Jesus. An Essay for week #31 Aug 2, 2020 Msg in audio at www.GSBaptistChurch.com/audio/gs200802.mp3 Copyright © 2020 Good Samaritan Baptist Church 54 Main St. Box 99 Dresden, NY 144

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