

The Second Coming of Christ



**... I will come again and receive you to Myself;
that where I am, *there* you may be also.**

~ John 14:3

- The Second Coming of Jesus Christ is a prevailing biblical theme in the New Testament.
- It is alluded to more than 300 times in the New Testament and is referenced 8x more than the Lord's initial coming.

- It is relevant to each and every person living because the Lord's second coming will mark the end of time, the judgment, and the moment when Christians will enter their eternal reward (**Hebrews 9:27**).
- We will see this prophesied in the Old Testament and Affirmed in the New Testament.

- We will see this affirmed with real tangible features and examine the events associated with the Second Coming of Jesus Christ.
- The second coming is assured, and it is our task this morning to demonstrate this from the Word of God...

Prophesied in The Old Testament



- The Resurrection is a New Testament Theme. The New Testament writers often spoke of the gospel and the things concerning Jesus Christ as being revealed to them as “The Mystery”
- What they are saying is that The Old Testament writers, though inspired, were not fully understanding of the things they wrote concerning Christ.

To me, who am less than the least of all the saints, this grace was given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, and to make all see what *is* the fellowship of **the mystery**, which from the beginning of the ages has been hidden in God who created all things through Jesus Christ.

~ **Ephesians 3:8-9**

... I became a minister according to the stewardship from God which was given to me for you, to fulfill the word of God, the mystery which has been hidden from ages and from generations, but now has been revealed to His saints.

~ **Colossians 1:25-26**

**Of this salvation the prophets have inquired and searched carefully, who prophesied of the grace *that would come* to you, searching what, or what manner of time, the Spirit of Christ who was in them was indicating when He testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ and the glories that would follow. To them it was revealed that, not to themselves,
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**but to us they were ministering the things
which now have been reported to you
through those who have preached the gospel
to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven—
things which angels desire to look into.**

~ 1 Peter 1:10-12

- One might expect this theme of the Resurrection to therefore be an entirely New Testament theme...
- However, scattered throughout the New Testament are these prophetic utterances that Peter speaks of, these little tidbits nestled in Old Testament Prophecy that confirm Peter and Paul's testimony.

- The Book of Job

- The Book of Job may be the oldest recorded inspired story in the entire Bible.
- Job believed that there would be a time of vindication by his redeemer after his flesh was disintegrated.

For I know *that* my Redeemer lives, And He shall
stand at last on the earth; And after my skin is
destroyed, this *I know*, That in my flesh I shall
see God, Whom I shall see for myself,
And my eyes shall behold, and not another.
How my heart yearns within me!

~ **Job 19:25-27**

- King David

David foretold of ultimate retribution upon God's enemies.

*The LORD said to my Lord, "Sit at My right hand,
Till I make Your enemies Your footstool."*

~ Psalm 110:1

- The Prophet Isaiah

- Isaiah Spoke of a time when every knee would, and every tongue would confess God.

- This verse was even repeated by the Apostle Paul.

I have sworn by Myself; The word has gone out
of My mouth *in* righteousness, And shall not
return, That to Me every knee shall bow,
Every tongue shall take an oath.

~ **Isaiah 45:23 (Romans 14:11)**

- **The Book of Daniel**

- Daniel prophesied of a future bodily resurrection, which is associated with the Lord's coming (**1 Corinthians 15:50-52; I Thessalonians 4:13-18**).
- This predated Christ's first mention of it by nearly six hundred years.

And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame *and* everlasting contempt. And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.

~ **Daniel 12:2-3**

Affirmed in the New Testament

The
New Testament
of Our Lord and Saviour
Jesus Christ

TRANSLATED OUT OF THE ORIGINAL GREEK :
AND WITH THE FORMER TRANSLATIONS
DILIGENTLY COMPARED AND REVISED
BY HIS MAJESTY'S SPECIAL COMMAND

*Authorized
King James Version*

- Jesus Affirmed it Himself (**Matthew 24:37-44**)
- “I Will Come Again” (**John 14:3**)
- Angels declared he would come again (**Acts 1:11**)
- Paul declares the return of Jesus Christ and what it means to us (**1 Thessalonians 4:13-5:1; 1 Corinthians 15:23**)
- James the Brother of Jesus (**James 5:7**)

Features of the Second Coming



- **His Return is Certain, and is described as a definite day:**

that you were enriched in everything by Him in all utterance and all knowledge, even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you, so that you come short in no gift, eagerly waiting for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ, who will also confirm you to the end, *that you may be blameless* **in the day of our Lord** Jesus Christ.

~ **1 Corinthians 1:5-8**

- **Although it is Certain, when this Day will come is never revealed.**

WHY?

PROCRASTINATORS UNITED



TOMORROW

- By nature, people are procrastinators.
- If we knew the date Christ would return was **August 18th in the year 2055**, how many people would wait until August 17th to become Christians?
- This is not true devotion or love to God. It is not revealed because we are to live every moment as if Christ's return was imminent.

- Many people over the years have tried to formulate a return date by perverting the Scriptures to predict when Jesus would return, **and every single one of them have been wrong!**
- No man is capable of knowing...

It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority.

~ **Acts 1:7**

For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night.

~ **1 Thessalonians 5:2**

- **Many Doubt it Today as they did two-thousand years ago:**

knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts, and saying, “Where is the promise of His coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as *they were* from the beginning of creation.” **(Continued)**

For this they willfully forget: that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of water and in the water, by which the world *that* then existed perished, being flooded with water. But the heavens and the earth *which* are now preserved by the same word, are reserved for fire until the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.

~ 2 Peter 3:3-7

- **The Second Coming Will Be Literal and Personal**

For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven

with a shout, with the voice of the archangel,
and with the trump of God: and the dead in
Christ shall rise first:

~ 1 Thessalonians 4:16

- **The Second Coming Will Be Visible**
 - He Is To Be Revealed **(2 Thessalonians 1:7)**
 - He will be manifested **(1 John 2:28)**
 - This involves an actual appearance ...

That you keep *this* commandment without spot, blameless until our Lord Jesus Christ's appearing, which He will manifest in His own time, *He who is* the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings and Lord of lords.

~ 1 Timothy 6:14-15

- **His Return Will Be Final, Complete, The End**

But each one in his own order: Christ the first fruits, afterward those *who are* Christ's at His coming. **Then comes the end**, when He delivers the kingdom to God the Father, when He puts an end to all rule and all authority and power.

~ **1 Corinthians 15:23-24**

What Will Happen When He Returns?



- **The Resurrection of the Dead**

For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive *and* remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

~ **1 Thessalonians 4:16-17**

- **The Judgment**

Jesus Christ is Our Judge (**John 5:22**)

Every Person Who Has Ever Lived Will Be Judged
(**Romans 14:10**)

This means every single mentally capable man and woman who has ever walked this earth...

For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things *done* in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.

~ 2 Corinthians 5:10

- **The Earth Will Be Destroyed**

But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up. Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner *of persons* ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness... ~ **2 Peter 3:10-11**

- There will be no need for the physical world any longer.
- We Will all at the second coming of Christ be resurrected and stand before His judgment seat.
- The question is, what will He say to us?

Will He say...

... I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!

~ Matthew 7:23

Or Will He Say To You...

‘Well *done*, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.

~ **Matthew 25:21**

- The Second Coming is Real, Literal, and Tangible.
- It will affect each and every person who has ever existed whether they believe in it or not.
- At the Second Coming we will give an account for what we have done...

What Will Jesus Say To You?

