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Christ is Coming Again, and Soon!



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There's no doubt that Jesus Christ, the Lord of lords, King of kings, and Savior of sinners, is literally coming back to earth – and what an exciting and important truth for this present generation of Christians. Like no other time in history we need to not just know, but believe, that Christ is coming again, and soon – **and He will solve all our problems, and make everything right in this world!**

When you read God's word, you discover hundreds of verses describing Christ's coming. Why? Because He wants you to be convinced that He's coming again; He wants you to know key details of His coming; He wants you to know why He is coming; He wants you to know that His coming marks the end of this evil age and the start of a good age; and He wants you to be looking forward to seeing Him. Listed below are a number of verses that describe the glorious return of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

* **Matthew 24:30-31** – *"They will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of the sky, with power and great glory. And He will send His angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather His elect from the four winds, from one end of the heaven to the others."* These classic rapture verses tell us that we will see and hear that Jesus Christ is coming, and then all believers from all time, those in heaven and those on earth, will be gathered to Him. Mark 13:27

* **Matthew 24:42** – *"Keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come."* None of us know the exact time of Christ's coming, but God tells us specific events that need to occur before His return so we can know the general time. Matt. 24:32-34

*** Luke 19:13 –** *"Do business with this until I come back."* You are to use the abilities, gifts, and money that God has given you so you can do your part in carrying out His end-time's work on this earth. Eph. 2:10

*** John 14:3** – *"If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with Me that you also may be where I am."* Jesus has prepared a heavenly home perfectly suited for His bride, which includes you. And at just the right time, He will come back and take you home to heaven. Heb. 12:22-24

*** 1 Corinthians 1:7-8** – *"…as you eagerly wait for the Lord Jesus to be revealed. He will keep you strong to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ."* Be assured that God will help you, strengthen you, and keep you going, and make sure you make it to heaven. 2 Tim. 4:18

*** 1 Corinthian 15:51** – *"Listen, I tell you a mystery; we will not all sleep, but we will all be changed, in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will all be changed."* All believers, those who have already died (fallen asleep), and those still alive on earth at Christ's coming, will be changed, will suddenly, wonderfully, and eternally be glorified.1 Cor. 15:42-44

*** 1 Thessalonians 1:10** – *"You turned to God from idols to serve a living and true God, and to wait for His Son from heaven, whom He raised from the dead."* In view of Christ's coming, you are to be working and waiting for Him. Luke 12:40-43

*** 1 Thessalonians 2:19** – *“What is our hope, our joy, or the crown in which we will glory in the presence of our Lord Jesus when He comes – is it not you?”* A very encouraging part of your hope is that in heaven you will see believing friends and loved ones who you knew on earth. 1 Thess. 4:13-14

*** 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17** – *“The Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we shall always be with the Lord.”* Christ Himself will announce His coming to the Christians on earth, at which time they will suddenly be raptured and glorified, and joining with the glorified heavenly believers, immediately be taken to meet the Lord in the air. 2 Thess. 2:1

* **1 Thessalonians 5:2, 4** – *“For you know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night… But you brothers are not in surprise.”* Unbelievers will be caught off guard by Christ’s coming, but believers will not be surprised but, instead, will be expecting it. Matt. 24:42-44

*** 2 Thessalonians 1:7** – *“To give relief to you who are afflicted and to us as well when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven in blazing fire with His powerful angels.”* One reason for Christ’s return is to deliver the Christians from the persecution they are going through. Matt. 24:21-22

*** 2 Thessalonians 2:1** – *“Concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered to Him, we ask you brothers, to not become easily unsettled or alarmed by some prophecy… do not let anyone deceive you in any way for that day will not come until the rebellion occurs and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction.”* God does not want you to be led astray by some false teaching regarding Christ’s coming. One erroneous teaching is that Christ will rapture the church before the Antichrist is revealed, but it’s really after he is revealed, which is at the midpoint of Daniel’s 70th week. That is, the rapture happens sometime during the 2nd half of Daniel’s 70th week. 2 Thess. 2:8

* **2 Timothy 4:1-2** – *"I solemnly charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by His appearing and Kingdom, preach the Word; be ready in season and out of season…"* God's word is not just to be taught, but to be taught in view of Christ's return to set up His kingdom on earth. Psalms 47, 67
* **Titus 2:13** – *"While we wait for the blessed hope – the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness."* You are to be waiting, to be very excited, to be excitedly looking forward to seeing your Lord and Savior. Rev. 22:20
* **Hebrews 10:25** – *"Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another – and all the more as you see the day approaching."* God wants you to be seeing the signs that show us that Christ's return is drawing near, and then encourage others with this good news. Matt. 24:3, 32-34
* **Hebrews 10:37** – *"In just a very little while, He who is coming, will come and will not delay."* Christ's return to rapture the church will happen very soon, and that's because we now live in the end-times, that time defined by the return of the Jewish people to the land of Israel. Daniels 12:4; Romans 11, 13:11-12

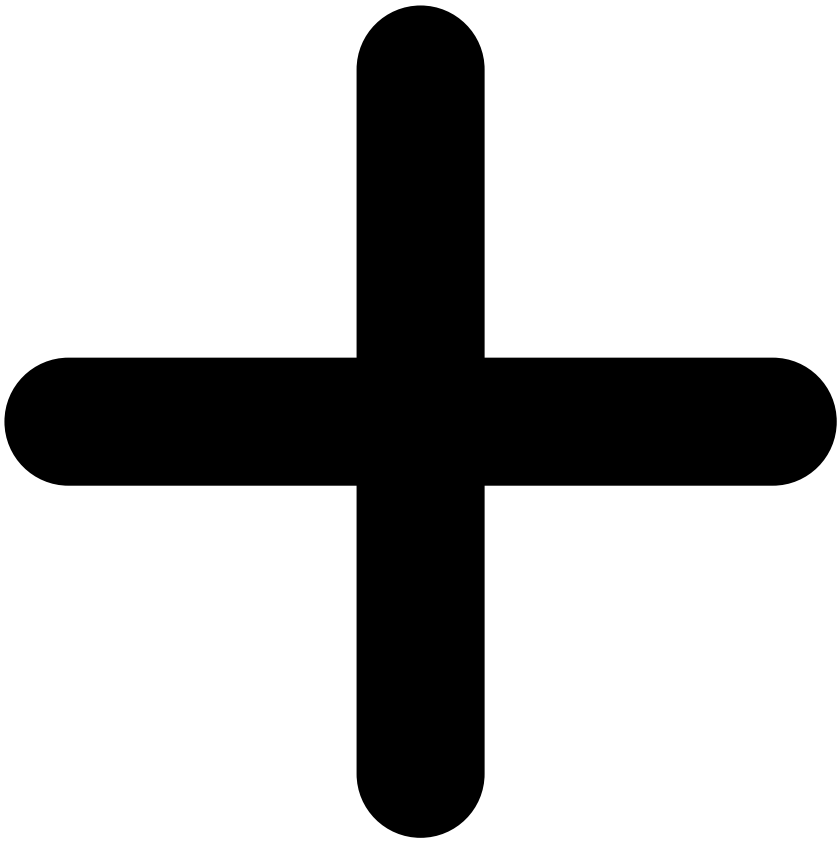
* **James 5:7** – *"See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its valuable crop and how patient he is for the autumn and spring rains. You too be patient and stand firm because the Lord's coming is near."* Life for Christians will become very difficult the closer we get to Christ's return. You are to patiently wait for His coming, knowing that His timing is perfect, and that He will give you all the strength you need to keep persevering for Him. Luke 18:8
* **1 Peter 1:5** – *"… who are protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time."* Christians have many spiritual enemies, but God will keep protecting you from them through all the years leading up to Christ's return to rapture the church. 2 Tim. 4:18
* **1 Peter 1:16** – *"Set your hope fully on the grace to be given you when Christ is revealed."* Don't set your hopes on earthly things but on heavenly things and, specifically, that Christ will be returning soon to

glorify you and take you home to heaven. Col. 3:1-4
*** 2 Peter 3:11-12** – *"Since everything will be destroyed in this way what kind of people ought you to be? You ought to live holy and godly lives as you look forward to the day of God and speed its coming."* Don't be worldly, but be holy, living for God, and looking forward to the coming of Christ and the rapture of the church. 1 Thess. 5:4-11

*** 1 John 3:2-3** – *"We know that when He appears, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is."* Remember that when Christ returns, your salvation will be complete, for then you will be given a perfect and glorified body, one like His. Phil. 3:20-21
* **Revelation 7:9** – *"After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and in front of the Lamb."* After all the believers are gathered together, they will immediately be taken to heaven so they can be in the very presence of God and worship Him like never before. Rev. 19:1-6
* **Revelation 22:12** – *"Behold I am coming soon. My reward is with me, and I will give to everyone according to what he has done."* At Christ's coming, you will receive an eternal, glorious, and generous reward for your earthly service for Him. 2 Tim. 4:8
*** Revelation 22:20** – *"He who testifies to these things says, 'Yes, I am coming soon.' Amen. Come, Lord Jesus."* Christ keeps telling you that He is coming soon because He wants you to know that He is coming soon, and wants you to be excited about seeing and being with Him. Heb. 10:37, Rev. 22:7, 12

Can you believe it? Jesus Christ is coming again, and soon! All these verses, along with many others, are given so you can know about His glorious appearing, which won't be long from now. It's vitally important that you know and think about these verses about Christ's coming, for they will encourage you and give you hope in these years leading up to the return of our great Lord, Savior, and King. *"They will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of the sky with power and great glory."* Matthew 24:30

P.S. There are a lot of major problems in our country, and it’s imperative that you see how Biblical prophecy is central to all that is taking place. Here is a post and an article that will help you understand where we are headed: *“The Downfall of the United States Before the Return of Christ,”* and *“Matthew 24, the Most Important Prophecy Chapter in the Bible.”*



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