

Christ Our Coming King



Our Series:

Christ Our Savior

Christ Our Sanctifier

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Acts 1: 6-11

So when they met together they asked him, “Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?” He said to them: “It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” After he said this he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight. They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. “Men of Galilee,” they said, “why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven.”

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Scripture Promises - Jesus Is Returning

Daniel 9:1-11 predicts it before Christ's arrival

Jesus Tells His Disciples -

Matt 24, Mark 13, Luke 21

The Angels tell the Disciples in Acts 1

Paul reminds the church in 1 Thess. 5:1-4

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Scripture Promises - Jesus Is Returning

1 Thess. 5:1-4

“Now, brothers, about times and dates we do not need to write to you, for you know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. While people are saying, “Peace and Safety” destruction will come on them suddenly, as labor pains on a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. But you, brothers, are not in darkness so that this day should surprise you like a thief.”

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Christ is Returning - A Biblical Fact

Big Questions:

What Will It Look Like?

When Will It Happen?

What Do I Need to Do?

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What Will It Look Like?

1 Thess. 4:16-18

“For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. After that we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage each other with these words.”

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Returning as a King

- Clear in Scripture Jesus Return is as King
- Rev. Shows Jesus sitting on a Throne – ruling & reigning
 - 45 times in book of Revelation
 - 17 of the 22 Chapters – Jesus seated on throne
- all truth & judgment flows from throne
- all glory and adoration turned towards one on throne
- Jesus clearly presented as King over all – heaven & earth

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When Will It Happen?

Matthew 24:36-44

“No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the father. As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. For in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark: and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be at the at the coming of the Son of Man. Two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other left. Two women will be grinding with a hand mill: one will be taken and the other left. Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come. But understand this: If the owner of the house had known at what time of night the thief was coming, he would have kept watch and would not have let his house be broken into. So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.”

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When Will It Happen?

Matthew 24:36-44

Acts 1:7

He said to them: “It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority.”

1 Thess 5:1-2

“Now, brothers, about times and dates we do not need to write to you, for you know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night.”

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What Do I Need To Do?

1. **Watch** - “to guard or tend, to observe carefully, to wait and look for.” *Webster's*

Mark 13: 32-37

“No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Be on guard! Be alert! You do not know when that time will come. It’s like a man going away: He leaves his house and puts his servants in charge, each with his assigned task, and tells the one at the door to keep watch. Therefore keep watch because you do not know when the owner of the house will come back - whether in the evening or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or at dawn. If he comes suddenly, do not let him find you sleeping. What I say to you, I say to everyone: Watch!”

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What Do I Need To Do?

2. Wait Expectantly -

“to remain until an agreed upon
happening, to be ready.”

“to look for as likely to occur or appear.”

Matthew 25:1-13

Parable Of The Ten Bridesmaids

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What Do I Need To Do?

3. Worship - “ Intense Love or Adoration”

“To pay homage to or, literally, to ascribe worth to some person or thing.”

To keep perspective on our lives and the impending return of our Lord, we need to be a worshipping people. For it is when we focus on the Character and attributes of almighty God, and his intervention in our lives, that we can remain ready for His return.

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So What

Christ Is Returning

It will be visible and life changing

We are not to know the timing

Scripture tells us to be ready by,

Watching

Waiting Expectantly

Worshipping