

# The Second Coming of Christ

## I. Promise--Christ promised He would return (Acts 1:9-11; Heb. 9:28).

- A. Christ's second coming is to bring to fruition that which He established in His first coming.
- B. Christ's life and mission was to set up a kingdom (Jn. 18:36).
- C. Christ invited men into that kingdom (Jas. 2:5).
- D. Christ would come to redeem the faithful (Mt. 25:34).

## II. Purpose--His second coming is to make a separation.

- A. Redeeming the faithful necessitates a separation of good and evil (Mt. 25:32; Jude 15).
- B. Christ will be the Judge (Mt. 16:26; Acts 17:31; 2 Tim. 4:1).
- C. The righteous will be rewarded (Mt. 25:34).
- D. The wicked will be punished (Mt. 25:41; 2 Thess. 1:8).

## III. Panorama--What will be seen on that day?

- A. The Lord will descend with a shout (1 Thess. 4:16).
- B. The trump will sound (1 Thess. 4:16).
- C. The dead shall rise (1 Thess. 4:16).
- D. Every eye shall see Him (Rev. 1:7; Mt. 25:32).
- E. Every knee shall bow before Him (Rom. 14:9-11).
- F. Angels shall accompany Him (2 Thess. 1:7).
- G. He will come in flaming fire (2 Thess. 1:8).
- H. The earth will be burned up (2 Pet. 3:9-12).
- I. The redeemed will meet Him in the air (1 Thess. 4:17).

## IV. Preparation

- A. The hour of His coming is not known (Mt. 24:44; 2 Pet. 3:10; 1 Thess. 5:2).
- B. All will die (Heb. 9:27).
- C. We must live righteously and obey His commands (Rev. 2:10).
- D. We must watch (Mk. 13:35).
- E. The righteous will be like Him (1 Jn. 3:2).
- F. Physical bodies will be changed (Phil. 3:21).

## V. Presentation

- A. The righteous shall receive a crown of glory (1 Pet. 5:4; 1 Thess. 3:13; 1 Thess. 4:16).
- B. The righteous shall receive a home in heaven (Jn. 14:3; Phil. 3:20; 2 Tim. 4:7-8).
- C. The evil will be punished (Mt. 25:33-41).