

THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST
Bible Study Notes

Christ, our great High Priest **Heb. 4:14**, shall return for His people to take us to the place in which He has prepared for us, **John 14:1-4**.

We hear of many false doctrines in the world today regarding the Second Coming of Christ, but what does the Bible truly have to say about Jesus' 2nd advent? As Christians, our sole creed should be the Bible and the Bible only, not the doctrine of man, **Matt. 15:9**. We should study the scriptures diligently, seeking wisdom from God to understand them, for it comes only from Him, **Prov. 2:6**, "Precept upon precept, line upon line, here a little, there a little." **Isa.28:10**

Below we will go seek to study the scriptures and see what they have to say with regards to the 2nd advent of Christ.

A) The Second Coming will be universally visible:

Jesus will come in the clouds and every eye will see Him. He will appear with thousands upon thousands of His holy angels. He will come in the full glory of His Father and in His full glory also. He will not be veiled in human form as He was at His 1st advent, this time He is coming as the King and Kings and Lord of Lords, His priestly ministry is now over, intercession has ceased.

This event will be universally visible to all who are upon the earth at this time, the final generation.

This denounces the common non-biblical teaching of a 'secret' rapture which we hear in the church today. The bible is clear that every eye shall see Christ.

See: **Rev.1:7, Matt.24:27, Jude 1:14-15, Matt 25:31, Matt 16:27, Mark 8:38, 2nd Thess. 1:7, Rev 19:11-16, Psalm 97:1-6, Psalm 50:3-5, Rev.6:14-17**

B) The Second Coming will be universally audible:

Every ear shall hear the loud trumpet that shall be blown, the 7th and final trumpet and the elect of God shall be gathered up by His angels, both the dead and living, to meet Christ in the air.

See: **Rev. 11:15-18, 1st Thess. 4:16, Matt. 24:31 Psalm 50:3-5**

C) Jesus shall not touch the earth at His 2nd Coming:

When Jesus comes and the trumpet is blown, the dead in Christ shall rise first, then both the living in Christ and the dead in Christ shall receive their new immortal, heavenly bodies. They shall be taken up into the air by the angels from across the four corners of the earth to meet Christ in the air.

Christ shall not come down to us, but instead we shall be taken up to Him.

See: **1st Thess. 4:16-17, 1st Corinth 15:52-53, Rev 20:6**

D) What events will take place at the 2nd coming of Christ:

The first resurrection shall take place, that is the resurrection of all those who died believing in the Saviour. In the Old Testament period, they believed in a Saviour that was to come and in the era of the New Testament, they and we believe(d) in a Saviour who came. We all believed by Faith, for without faith it is impossible to please God, **Heb.11:6**. This dead would include the likes of Adam, Eve, Seth, Abel, Noah, Abraham, Elisha, John the Baptist, the Apostles and the list goes on up until the last Christian who died in this present generation. They shall all be resurrected in their glorious, immortal bodies. "Blessed & holy is he who takes part in the first resurrection." **Rev. 20:6**.

The living in Christ who live to see Jesus coming in the clouds will be translated and receive their glorious, immortal bodies, but not before the dead in Christ as the Bible tells us. See **1st Thess. 4:16-17, 1st Corinth 15:52-53, Phillip. 3:20-21**.

E) What happens to the wicked?

The Bible is clear on what occurs to those who rejected Christ, from Cain, to all those who rejected Noah's righteous preaching down to the wicked living in the last generation at Christ's 2nd Coming.

Those who were already dead but did not die in Christ shall not rise again until after the 1000 years (*this will be discussed in another study*), **Rev 20:5**. They shall not have a part of the first resurrection.

The wicked who were alive at the time of Christ's Coming shall be destroyed by His glory, they shall be thrown into the 'wine press of God's wrath', **Rev. 14:18-19**. They rejected the message of Christ and grieved the Holy Spirit; therefore, Christ will deny them before His Father. The Great Day of God's wrath has come and who shall be able to stand? **Rev 6:17**.

Also see these other scriptures which describe the punishment of the wicked on that Great day: **Rev. 6:15-16, Jude 1:14-15, Isa.34:1-3, Zeph. 1:1-15, Isa. 66:15-16, Jer. 25:29-36, Joel 2:1-11, Amos 5:18-20, 2nd Thess. 2:8, Psalm 110:5-6, Jer. 4:23-28, Mal.4:1, 2nd Peter 3:10.**

Conclusion:

There is no 2nd chance gospel. The modern church today preaches that Jesus will rapture His Church away and then return again for those so-called Christians who accepted Christ while the Church was in Heaven. But this is not Biblical, this is just a Church tradition brought in by satan to deceive many, causing them to think that they will have 'another chance' to accept Christ.

"Take care that you are not deceived..." **Matt.24:4**

But brethren, the Scriptures are clear on what occurs when Jesus comes.

The wheat and the tares shall grow together until the harvest, the sheep and the goats will be separated at His Coming, **Matt. 13:30, 37-43, Matt 25:31-33, Rev. 14:14-19, 2nd Thess. 1:6-10.**

The Bible is clear, we must believe it by faith and not try to change it to suit our beliefs. For without faith, it is impossible to please God, **Heb. 11:6.**

Therefore, today if you hear His voice, harden not your hearts, **Heb. 3:15**, open the door of your heart that He may sup with you and you with Him, **Rev. 3:20.**

Confess & repent of your sins for He is faithful and just, He will forgive you of your sins and cleanse you of all unrighteousness. **1st John 1:9**

"Fear God and give Glory to Him, for the hour of His judgement is come. Worship Him who created the Heavens and the Earth, the Sea and the Fountains of water."

Rev.14:7

