

“Winter Storms and the Second Coming of Christ”

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Intro:**The Bible speaks clearly about the return of Christ:****I. This event is undeniable**

Many people are skeptical . . . II Peter 3:1-4

A. Jesus promised it - II Peter 3:2,4; John 14:1-3;

Matthew 24:42-44

B. Angels pronounced it - Acts 1:10-11

C. The Apostles preached it -

1. Paul - I Thessalonians 4:15-16

2. Peter - II Peter 3

3. James - James 5:7-9

4. John - I John 2:28,3:2-3

II. The time is unpredictable - Matthew 24:36-39,42; Acts 1:7

Even though there is biblical clarity about the timing of Christ's return, ever since His return to heaven many have attempted to predict His return.

Don't fall for this!

The New Testament teaches that the Lord's return is "*imminent*" - "*over hanging*". Ready to happen but uncertain in time. At any moment, but not necessarily soon.

III. The signs are unmistakable - Matthew 24:3-14

Jesus in his own words:

A. False Christs - 24:5

B. War and rumors of war - 24:6

C. World-wide disasters - 24:7

D. Dramatic increase in godless behavior - 24:12a;

II Timothy 3:1

IV. To be unprepared is inexcusable! Matthew 24:42-44

Jesus uses a word picture "thief" in the night!

II Thess. 5:2; II Peter 3:10; Revelation 3:3

Conclusion: Three questions . . .

1. Are you prepared: Do you love Christ?

2. Are you productive: Are you serving Christ

3. Are you at peace: Do you trust God's promises?