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WHAT MEN AND ANGELS DO NOT KNOW

The Bible contains many references to the second coming of Christ. Jesus Himself declared to His apostles, "...I will come again..." (John 14:1-3). At His ascension into heaven angels proclaimed, "...This same Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven" (Acts 1:11b). By inspiration of the Holy Spirit the writers of the New Testament wrote of the certainty of the second coming of Christ. Paul wrote, "For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God" (, 1 Thessalonians 4:16). John wrote, "Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him, even they who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him. Even so, Amen." (Rev. 1:7).

Down through history there have been many different predictions regarding **the time** of the second coming of Christ. Just one example is the predictions made by the Jehovah's Witnesses. 1914 - The great crisis, the great clash...is very near. Armageddon may begin next spring. [*Watchtower Reprints*, Vol. VI, May 1, 1914, p. 5450]. 1922 - The date 1925 is even more distinctly indicated by the Scriptures than 1914. (The previous date [1914] was proven to be false.) [*Watchtower*, Sept. 1, 1922, p. 262]. 1923 - Our thought is, that 1925 is definitely settled by the Scriptures. The Christian now has much more upon which to base his faith than Noah had upon which to base his faith in a coming deluge. [*Watchtower*, March 1, 1923, p. 106]. Others have predicted the Lord's coming in the years of 1918, 1929, 1941, 1946, 1988, 1989, 2000, 2003, etc. All such predictions have failed. Why? The Lord answers, "But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only" (Matthew 24:36). Neither men nor angels know the time of the Lord's return. It could be at any moment. Are you ready? Questions? Write us at greenplaincoc@gmail.com.