

The second coming of Christ, for His righteous bride, who live in Him

Christ's first coming - to save us from sin, from self-will, the devil's work, to God's will

1 John 3:5 **You know that He (Christ) was manifested (the first time) to take away our sins, and in Him there is no sin (so those living in Him do not sin).**

1 John 3:8 **He who sins is of the devil, for the devil sinned (self-willed) from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested (the first time), that He might destroy the works of the devil (those being sins).**

1 Thess 3:13 **As a result, Christ will make your hearts strong, blameless (sinless), and holy in the presence of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus comes...(His Second coming is for those saved by His first).**

Christ's second coming is to gather those He has saved from sinning, who love Him

Heb 9:28 AMP **...Christ, having been offered to take upon Himself and bear as a burden the sins of many once and for all, will appear a second time, not to carry any burden of sin nor to deal with sin, but to bring to full salvation (of our bodies) those who are eagerly... waiting for and expecting Him (who love Him for He has already saved us from our sin).**

1 Cor 2:9-10 **...The things which God has prepared (like Christ's second coming) for those that love Him (who wait for Him – Isaiah 64:4). **But God has revealed them** (like who He's coming for) **unto us by His Spirit...** KJV**

Christ's return will come as a thief in the night, except for those living in the light, Him

1 Thess 5:2 **For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night** (to those in darkness, not living in Christ).

1 Thess 5:4 **But you, brethren, are not in darkness, so that this Day should overtake you as a thief.** (For God is light and you are living in Him).

1 Thess 5:9-10 **God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation** (from sin) **through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with (and in) Him (the light).**

God calls everyone to be Christ's bride, to be ready by being made righteous in Him

Matt 22:2-3 (Jesus) **The kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who arranged a marriage for his son (Christ), and sent out his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding...but I must have on a wedding garment**

Rev 19:7-8 **...The marriage of the Lamb is come and His wife (each Christian) **has made herself ready...clothed in fine linen...the righteousness of saints** (clothed with the righteousness of God when we are in Christ - 2 Co 5:21).**

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Christ's bride, righteous, ready for His return, have their spirits full of Christ's Spirit

Matt 25:1 (Jesus) **The kingdom of heaven shall be likened to ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom.**

Prov 20:27 **The spirit of a man is the lamp of the LORD...**

Matt 25:2 **Only five of them were wise enough to fill their lamps with oil,** TLB
1 Sam 16:13 **...Took the horn of oil and anointed him...and the Spirit of the LORD came upon him...(in scripture oil represents the Holy Spirit)**

Matt 25:10 **...The bridegroom came and (only) those who were ready (their spirits full of, controlled by the Holy Spirit) went in with Him to the wedding...**

Rom 8:1-4 **Those who are in Christ...are controlled by the Holy Spirit.** AMP

Rom 14:17 **For the kingdom of God is...righteousness...in the Holy Spirit.**

Christ's return mirrors Noah's days, God waiting for all who will enter Christ, His ark

Matt 24:37-39 **But as the days of Noah were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. Luke 17:27 They ate, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage (without involving God), until the day that Noah entered the ark, and the flood came and destroyed them all.**

Gen 6:3 **The LORD said, "My Spirit shall not strive with man forever, for he is indeed flesh; yet his days shall be one hundred and twenty years."**

First, this was the time it took for Noah to build the Ark, in which everyone could get right with God and enter it. Second, this now represents a full human life span during which everyone is invited to Christ's wedding, but this requires us to be righteous, meaning, saved from sin. It is accomplished by having our spirits under the control of the Holy Spirit, full of oil, because by this we have entered Christ, God's spiritual Ark.

Gen 6:5 **The Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.**

Gen 6:8-14 **But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD...And God said to Noah, "Make yourself an ark...(and enter it in order to be saved)".**

1 Pe 3:20-21 MSGE **God waited patiently all the days that Noah built his ark, only a few were saved, eight souls, from the water by the water. The waters of baptism (symbolically) do that for you, not by washing away dirt from your skin but by presenting you through Jesus' resurrection before God with a clean conscience.**

Christ first came to save us from sin, in Him saved, and preparing others for His second

1 Jo 2:28 **Now little children, abide (live) in Him, that when He appears, we may have confidence and not be ashamed before Him at His coming; and**

Luke 1:17 (as) **The righteous, to make ready (other) people prepared for the Lord.**