

## SERMON OUTLINE

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1) INTRODUCTION

- a) The Christ who was born at Bethlehem, walked the shores of Galilee, hung on a cross, died, was buried and rose from the dead, that Jesus is coming again.
  - i) The incarnation without the coronation would be like East without West; it would be like an engagement without a marriage.
  - ii) We are waiting for the Lord Jesus Christ to come again.
  - iii) We are currently living between the two mountain peaks of His incarnation and His coronation.
- b) We cannot afford to be ignorant or indifferent as we wait for the soon coming of the Lord.
  - i) Sorrow looks backward, worry looks around, but faith looks upward.
    - (1) King Jesus is coming again.
- c) Revelation 19:11-15

2) ALL CAPS

- a) There are those who try to spiritualize the second coming of Jesus Christ as some event in history, but He is coming back again literally.
  - i) Acts. 1:10-11
  - ii) The Lord Jesus ascended literally, actually, bodily and visibly; He will return literally, actually, bodily and visibly.
- b) Revelation 1:7
  - i) Every eye shall see Him when He comes again.
    - (1) This includes those who pierced Him and crucified Him.
    - (2) This includes people of all times.
  - ii) He is coming back visibly in power, great glory and majesty.
- c) There are two aspects to the second coming of Jesus Christ:
  - i) The rapture
    - (1) This is when the Lord Jesus comes for His bride.
    - (2) 2 Thessalonians 2:1
      - (a) Jesus will come and gather the church to Himself.
      - (b) We will be caught up to meet the Lord in the air.
  - ii) The revelation
    - (1) This is when the Lord Jesus comes with His bride.
    - (2) Revelation 19:14
      - (a) The “armies” in this passage refer to the saints, the bride.
      - (b) The white linen represents the righteousness of the saints.
- d) The Lord Jesus is coming both in mystery and in majesty.
  - i) 1 Corinthians 15:51-52
    - (1) The word “mystery” in this passage refers to a truth previously unknown now revealed.
    - (2) The rapture is a mystery revealed in the New Testament.
    - (3) The Old Testament prophets did not know about the rapture, so we do not find the rapture in the Old Testament.

- ii) Jesus' coming is described cataclysmically, like a flash of lightening or a bolt out of the blue; He is coming suddenly.
  - (1) Matthew 24:27
  - (2) This refers to the second phase of His coming: the revelation.
- iii) Jesus is also coming secretly as a thief.
  - (1) 1 Thessalonians 5:2
  - (2) This refers to the first phase of His coming: the rapture.
- iv) Jesus is coming sweetly like a bridegroom.
  - (1) Matthew 25:6
  - (2) This refers to the rapture.
- v) He is also coming sovereignly as a king.
  - (1) 2 Thessalonians 1:7-10
  - (2) This refers to the revelation.
- e) In the rapture, the first phase of His coming, He comes for His church, and we are taken out before the Great Tribulation begins.
- f) In the second phase of His coming, the revelation, we come back with Him after the Great Tribulation.
  - i) This is the point in time which our message deals with today: when Jesus comes with His church in power and great glory.
- g) We are not waiting on any signs to be fulfilled; Jesus may come at any moment.
  - i) Matthew 24:36
    - (1) No one knows the day nor the hour of His coming.
  - ii) Matthew 24:38-39
    - (1) Jesus Christ, the greatest prophecy preacher of all time, said that we are not to look for the Great Tribulation.
    - (2) In the days of Noah, they were living the ordinary round of life and knew not until the day.
  - iii) Matthew 24:42
  - iv) Matthew 24:44
  - v) Mark 13:32-33
    - (1) Only God the Father knows when Jesus Christ is coming again.
  - vi) The church will not go through the Great Tribulation.
    - (1) If the church were to go through the Great Tribulation, we could then start counting down to His return once we see the antichrist come and sit in the temple.
    - (2) We are not looking for the Great Tribulation; we are looking for Jesus.
    - (3) 1 Thessalonians 5:9-11
      - (a) The tribulation is the great day of God's wrath.
      - (b) God will chastise His church, but He does not pour His wrath upon the church.
      - (c) The wrath of God is for the unsaved.
    - (4) Revelation 3:10

- (a) What the Lord said to the church at Philadelphia, He is also saying to us today.
    - (i) Revelation 3:13
  - (b) God took Lot out of Sodom before the fire and brimstone fell.
  - (c) God put Noah in the ark before the flood came.
  - (d) The Great Tribulation will be poured out upon this world after the bride is taken out in the rapture.
- 3) JESUS IS COMING VICTORIOUSLY (Revelation 19:11-13)
- a) The one John beholds on a white horse coming visibly in this passage is also the one who is coming victoriously.
    - i) All of this is a picture of victory.
  - b) The mastery of His conquest
    - i) He is riding a white horse.
      - (1) When He entered into Jerusalem before the crucifixion, He rode on a lowly donkey.
      - (2) When He enters into Jerusalem the second time, He will be on a white charger.
    - ii) The white horse is a symbol of victory, honor and conquest.
  - c) The mystery of His character
    - i) Revelation 19:11-12
      - (1) He is righteous, faithful and true.
      - (2) He makes righteous war.
      - (3) He has a name that no one knows.
        - (a) Philippians 2:9
        - (b) We know Him as Jesus, but there is a mystery about Him that we will never fathom.
        - (c) He is the Highest of the high.
  - d) The majesty of His coronation
    - i) He has on His head many crowns.
      - (1) The word is “diadem.”
      - (2) It is a regal crown; one that a king would wear.
      - (3) He hasn’t just one crown but many, for He is King of kings and Lord of lords.
    - ii) No longer does He wear a crown made by the thorns of this world, but crowns made with the jewels of Heaven.
  - e) The ministry of His crucifixion
    - i) Revelation 19:13
      - (1) He has a “vesture dipped in blood.”
        - (a) The Lord Jesus forever wears an emblem of His sacrifice on Calvary.
    - ii) We overcome by the blood of the Lamb.
      - (1) Revelation 12:11
      - (2) It is the blood of Jesus Christ that gives the victory.

- (3) The victory that He will win over the antichrist is based on the blood.
- f) There is hope for this world.
  - i) Science is not the answer.
  - ii) Politics is not the answer.
  - iii) Social reform is not the answer.
  - iv) The coming of the Lord Jesus Christ is the answer.
- 4) JESUS IS COMING VENGEFULLY (Revelation 19:14-16)
  - a) God is a holy God; He is too good not to punish sin.
    - i) Romans 12:19
  - b) God is a God of infinite love, but He is also a God of wrath.
    - i) If we preach the love of God to the exclusion of the wrath of God, then we don't have the whole Gospel.
    - ii) If we preach the wrath of God to the exclusion of the love of God, then we still do not have the whole Gospel.
    - iii) God is a God of love; and if we want mercy, we may have it.
      - (1) If you want to be saved, you can be saved.
      - (2) If we refuse the Lord Jesus as our personal Savior and choose to turn from His loving and longing hand that is reaching out to us, then we will one day face the wrath of God.
        - (a) Matthew 11:28
  - c) 2 Thessalonians 1:8
    - i) He is coming vengefully to make things right.
      - (1) There are many times in this world where justice is not done, and wrong seems to prevail.
      - (2) He is the righteous judge who will make it right.
- 5) CONCLUSION
  - a) What does this mean for us today?
    - i) We need to learn of His coming.
      - (1) We cannot afford to be ignorant of these things.
      - (2) We need to teach others these things.
      - (3) Jesus said over and over again to be ready.
    - ii) We should look for His coming.
      - (1) We are not waiting on any prophecy to be fulfilled.
      - (2) If the church were to go through the Great Tribulation, then rather than looking up, we would be looking around for the signs of the times.
        - (a) Rather than waiting for someone to come, we would be waiting for something to happen.
      - (3) We are to live every day as if this is the day Jesus will come.
    - iii) We are to long for His coming.
      - (1) Revelation 22:20
      - (2) The last prayer in the Bible longs for His coming.
    - iv) We need to live for His coming.

- (1) Luke 19:13
  - (a) We are to occupy until He comes.
  - (b) Our desire is to be found faithful serving Him.
- b) Are you ready for His coming?
- c) Do you know Jesus personally? If not, you can pray to Him today by asking Him to come into your life.
- d) Call upon Jesus today. Repent (turn) from your sins, and turn to Jesus. Ask Him to forgive you of your sins, and acknowledge Him as Lord of your life.
  - i) Romans 3:23
  - ii) Romans 10:9-10
  - iii) Romans 10:13
  - iv) Acts 16:31
  - v) John 3:16