

Word Made Flesh

Maranatha
Revelation 22:6-21
December 26, 2021

The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come." And let the one who hears say, "Come." And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take of the water of life without price. - Rev. 22:17

I. WORSHIP GOD

- We humans are prone to worship many things. There is only one God, and he alone is to be worshipped (Deut 6:4; 1 Cor. 8:5-6; Gal. 3:20; Eph. 4:5-6; 1 Tim. 2:5; James 2:19).
- Angels are created servants. They are not gods, although some are demons (Matt. 25:41; 1 Cor. 10:20; Heb. 1:4-7, 14; 2 Peter 2:4).
- Not much will change in terms of human behavior until the second advent of Christ, but he is coming soon (Vss. 10-13).

II. COME, LORD JESUS!

- The offer is laid out for us. Those who have ears respond. Those who are thirsty and those who desire take of the water of life (Isa. 55:1-3, 6-7; John 4:10-14).
- Jesus is coming again. By this we are encouraged. By this we are warned (Vs. 20; Mark 13:32-36; 1 Cor. 16:22; 1 Thess. 4:18).
- Christ's second advent is not a topic for speculation, but for preparation (Rom. 13:11-14).
- The church's (the Bride) hope is not in a political paradigm, or in a social network, nor in pragmatic solutions, but in a Person. And what a Person he is! (Isa. 53:7; Mark 4:41; John 7:46, 15:11).

KNOW: Jesus' first advent is not his only advent. He is returning, for this reality we should rejoice and prepare.

DO: Stay awake! And pray, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

Suggested Reading:

The Radical Disciple: Some Neglected Aspects of our Calling by John R.W. Stott (Available in the LifePoint Library).

Triumph of the Lamb by Dennis E. Johnson (Available in the LifePoint Library).

Questions/Discovery Points for Life Groups/Families

Please Read Revelation 22:6-21

1. What is the final portion of the Bible exhorting us to? What type of people should we be?
2. Why are we not to worship angels?
3. Who, according to these passages, are blessed in this world?
4. Why are they blessed?
5. How might you better prepare for Christ's second advent?
6. How has this advent series entitled "Word Made Flesh" impacted you, if at all, this year?
7. How will you prepare for your life in Christ in 2022? What changes might you make? What might you reinforce?