



The Advent of Christ

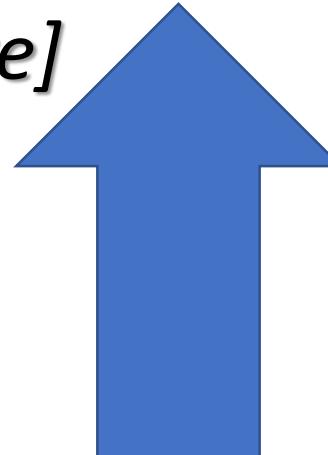
1 Thess. 2:1 to 2 Thess. 2:8

Advent

Advent \ˈad-ˌvent, chiefly British -vənt\ noun

[Middle English, **from Medieval Latin *adventus***, *from Latin, arrival, from advenire*]

Merriam-Webster



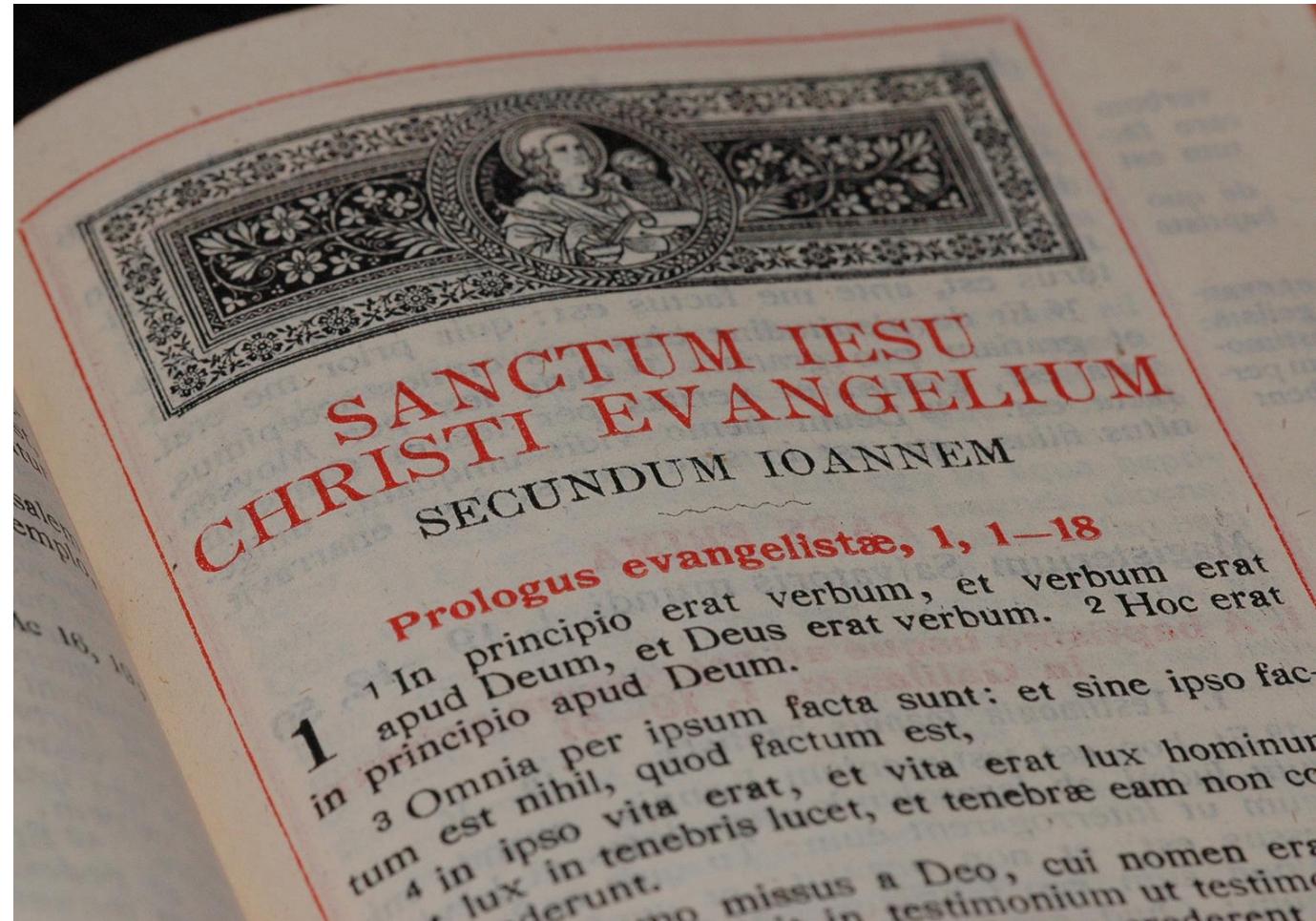
Vulgate

Common Version

Latin translation of
the Bible began in
382 by Jerome

1965 the Vulgate was
revised

Nova Vulgata



Advent

1 : the period beginning four Sundays before Christmas and observed by some Christians as a season of prayer and fasting

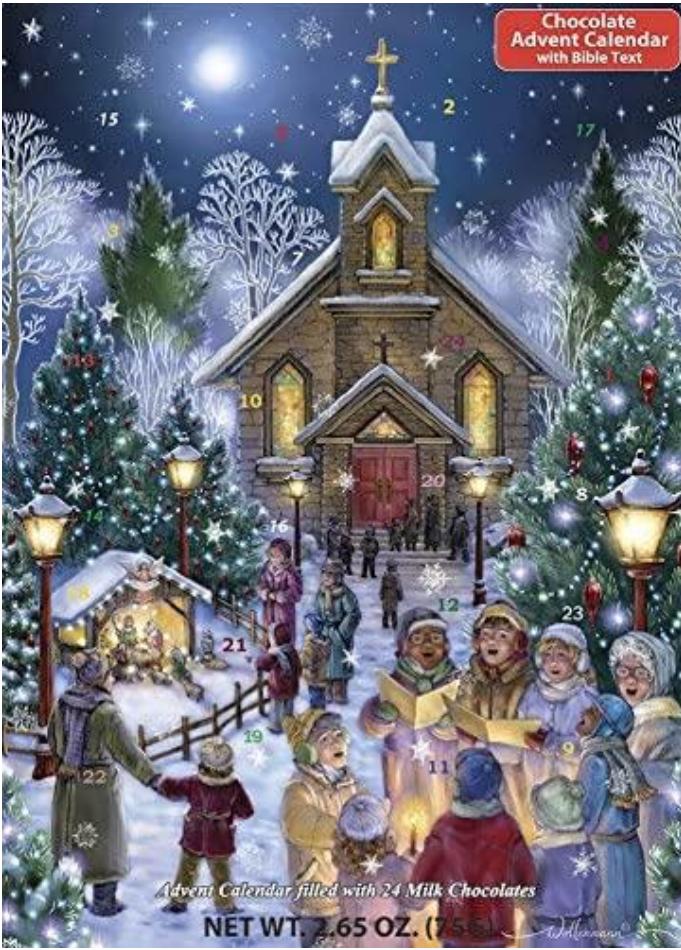
2 a: the coming of Christ at the

Incarnation

b: **Second Coming**

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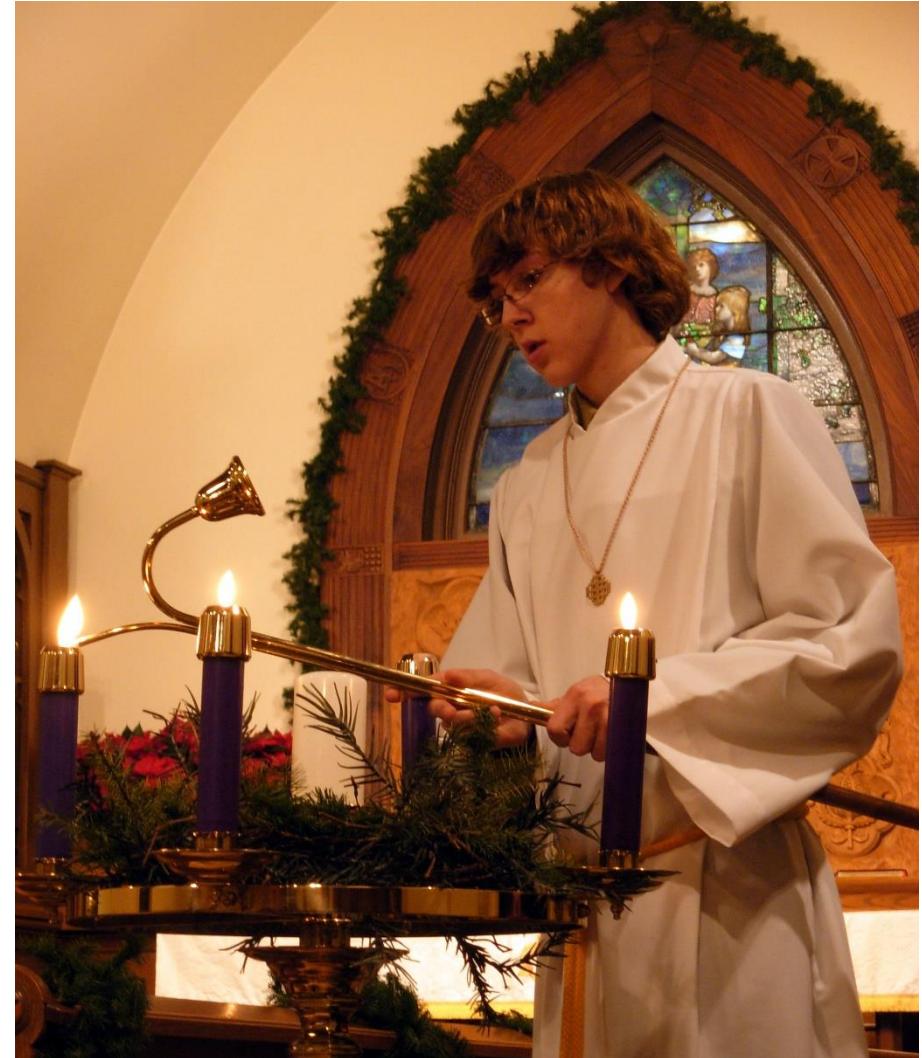


Teaching the **TRUTH**



Why is Advent a big deal to some churches and not ours?

**#1 Both the First
and the Second
Advent (Coming) is a
very big deal to all
true followers of
Christ.**



**#2 There is no
Scriptural
support that the
early church
celebrated a
season of
Advent.**

12 Ἐρα οὖν, ὁ
τοῦ κατὰ σάρκα
λετε ἀποθνήσκειν
ματος³¹³ θανατοῦτε
ἄγονται, ⁶⁸⁵ οὗτοι ³³⁰ 5
πνεῦμα δουλείας

#3 Typically Baptists significantly distance themselves from anything that looks or smells like Roman Catholicism, Greek Orthodox, Anglicanism (Episcopanism), etc.



But why is that?



We are NOT theologically
aligned in the areas of
salvation, church, baptism,
Lord's Supper, etc.

Protestants separated over the 5 Solas:

- Grace Alone
- Faith Alone
- Christ Alone
- Scripture Alone
- For the Glory of God

BAPTISTS
Separated
from
Protestants

#4 Berean Baptist does not operate from a liturgical calendar. Annually we celebrate the Resurrection of Christ and the Birth of Christ, but we don't celebrate other feasts and holy days throughout the year.



So is Advent Biblical?

Yes & Absolutely!

But...



**BUT the focus of the word
“Advent” in the Vulgate
is NOT the Birth it is the
Second Coming of Christ.**

Advent in Vulgate

adventus (masculine)

adventum (neuter)

adventu (feminine)

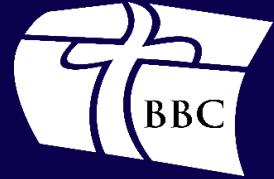
Titus 2:13

VULGATE	WYCLIFFE	KJV	ESV
exspectantes beatam spem, et <u>adventum</u> gloriæ magni Dei, et Salvatoris nostri Jesu Christi:	abidinge the blesside hope and the <u>comynge of</u> the glorie of greet God, and oure sauyour Jhesu Crist;	Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious <u>appearing of</u> the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;	waiting for our blessed hope, the <u>appearing of</u> the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,



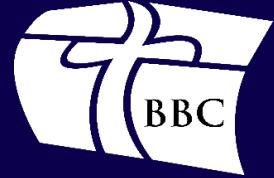
Advent 4x

Olivet Discourse



Matthew 24:3

•sedente autem eo super montem Oliveti
accesserunt ad eum discipuli secreto
dicentes dic nobis quando haec erunt et
quod signum **adventus** tui et
consummationis saeculi



Matthew 24:3

•As he sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately, saying, “Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign of your **coming** and of the end of the age?”

παρουσία

Transliteration

parousia (Key)

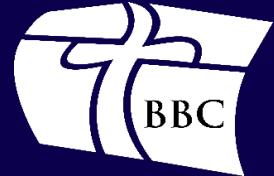
Pronunciation

pä-rü-se'-ä (Key)



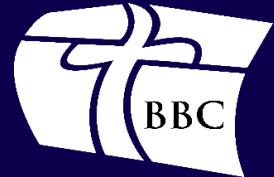
Outline of Biblical Usage [?]

- I. presence
- II. the coming, arrival, advent
 - A. the future visible return from heaven of Jesus, to raise the dead, hold the last judgment, and set up formally and gloriously the kingdom of God



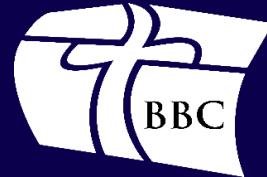
Matthew 24:27

•For as the lightning comes from the east and shines as far as the west, **so will be the coming of the Son of Man.**



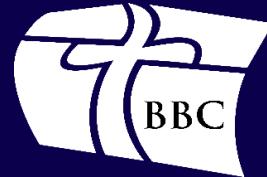
Matthew 24:37

- For as were the days of Noah, so will be the coming of the Son of Man.



Matthew 24:39

•and they were unaware until the flood came and swept them all away, **so will be the coming of the Son of Man.**



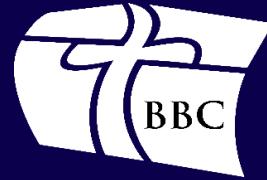
Mark 13:26

- And then **they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory.**



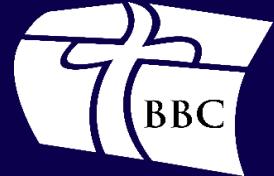
Luke 21:27

- And then they will see the Son of Man **coming in** a cloud with power and great glory.



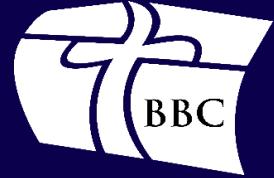
John 14:3

•And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also.



Acts 1:6-8

•So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?” ⁷ He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”



Acts 1:9-11

•And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰ And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, ¹¹ and said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

1st Advent

Came as an infant

Luke 2:12

**And this will be a sign
for you: you will find a
baby wrapped in
swaddling cloths and
lying in a manger.”**

2nd Advent

Coming as a warrior

Revelation 19:13

**He is clothed in a robe
dipped in blood, and
the name by which he
is called is The Word of
God.**

1st Advent

Came to die

Matthew 20:28

Even as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

2nd Advent

Coming to kill

2 Thessalonians 2:8

And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will kill with the breath of his mouth and bring to nothing by the appearance of his coming.

1st Advent

Came not to judge

John 12.47

If anyone hears my words and does not keep them, I do not judge him; for I did not come to judge the world but to save the world.

2nd Advent

Coming to judge

2 Timothy 4:1

I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom:

1st Advent

Came by himself

Luke 2:12

And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger.”

2nd Advent

Coming to w/ saints

Revelation 19:14

And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were following him on white horses.

1st Advent

Born of woman

Luke 2:12

And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger.”

2nd Advent

Descend from heaven

1 Thessalonians 4:16

For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel,

1st Advent

Lived among the goats

Matthew 9:11

And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?”

2nd Advent

Separates sheep from goats

Matthew 25:32

Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats.

1st Advent

Few knew He arrived

Luke 2:15; Matt 2:1

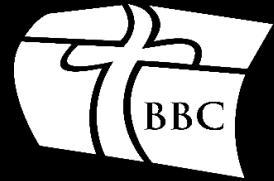
When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us.”

2nd Advent

All will know He’s arrived

Matt 24:27

For as the lightning comes from the east and shines as far as the west, so will be the coming of the Son of Man.



Revelation 1:7

•Behold, he is coming with the clouds, **and**
every eye will see him, even those who
pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will
wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.



Mark 13:26

- And then **they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory.**

1st Advent

Teach about the Kingdom

Luke 13:18

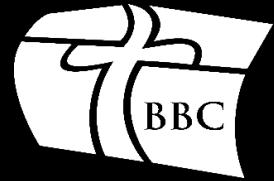
He said therefore, “What is the kingdom of God like? And to what shall I compare it?

2nd Advent

Establish a Kingdom

Revelation 5:10

and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth.”



Revelation 11:15

•Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, **“The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever.”**

1st Advent

Save His people

Matthew 1:21

**And she shall bring forth a son,
and thou shalt call his name
JESUS: for he shall save his
people from their sins.**

2nd Advent

Gather His people

Matthew 24:31

**And he shall send his angels
with a great sound of a
trumpet, and they shall gather
together his elect from the four
winds, from one end of heaven
to the other.**

1st Advent

Announced the glory

Luke 2:13-14

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, ¹⁴ “Glory to God in the highest,

2nd Advent

All will see His Glory

Mark 13:26

And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory.

1st Advent

Watching & Waiting

Matt 2:2; Luke 2:25-38

Simeon waiting for the consolation of Israel

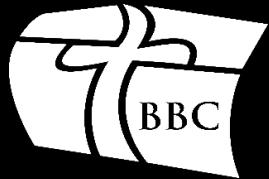
Anna, the prophetess ... waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem.

2nd Advent

Watching & Waiting

Matt 24:42; Titus 2:13

Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come. |waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,



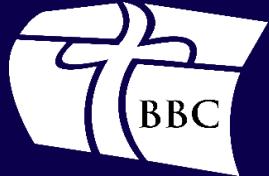
Revelation 16:15

Jesus said:

- (“Behold, I am coming like a thief! Blessed is the one who stays awake, keeping his garments on, that he may not go about naked and be seen exposed!”)

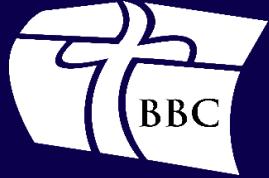


Turn to 1 Thessalonians 2:19



1 Thessalonians 2:19

•For what is our hope or joy or crown of boasting before our Lord Jesus at his coming [Advent]? Is it not you?



1 Thessalonians 3:13

•so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, **at the coming [Advent] of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.**



1 Thessalonians 4:13–14

•But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. ¹⁴ For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, **God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep.**



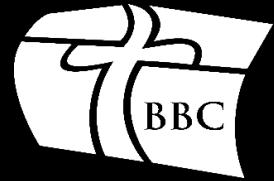
1 Thessalonians 4:15

•For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until **the coming [Advent] of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep.**



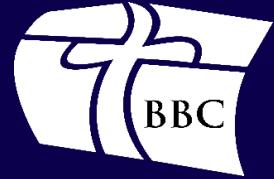
1 Thessalonians 4:16

•For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first.



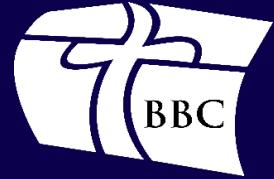
Matthew 24:31

- And he will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call,
- and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.



1 Thessalonians 4:17

- Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord.



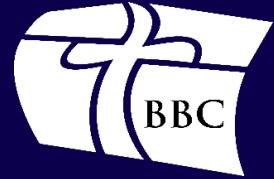
1 Thessalonians 4:18-5:1

•Therefore encourage one another with these words. ¹ **Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you.**



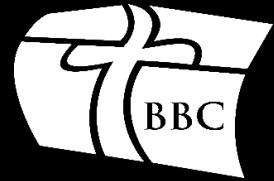
1 Thessalonians 5:2

- For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night.



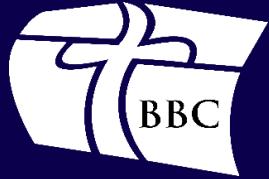
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•While people are saying, “There is peace and security,” then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape.



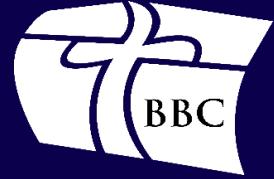
Matthew 24:19

- And alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days!



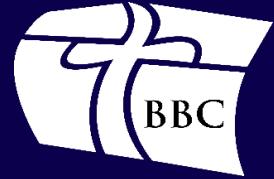
1 Thessalonians 5:4

• **But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief.**



1 Thessalonians 5:5-6

•Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness. Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; **but let us watch** and be sober.



1 Thessalonians 5:7-8

- For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, are drunk at night.
- 8 But since **we belong to the day**, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation.



1 Thessalonians 5:9-10

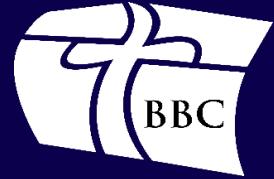
•For God has not destined **us** for wrath,
but to obtain salvation through our Lord
Jesus Christ, who died for us so that
whether we are awake or asleep we
might live with him.



1 Thessalonians 5:11

- Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

Look @ v. 23



1 Thessalonians 5:23

•Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless **at the coming [Advent] of our Lord Jesus Christ.**



**It is very important
To understand 2 Thess. as
the 2nd letter Paul wrote to
the same church**



2 Thessalonians 1:5-6

- This is evidence of the righteous judgment of God, that you may be considered worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you are also suffering—⁶ since indeed God considers it just to repay with affliction those who afflict you,



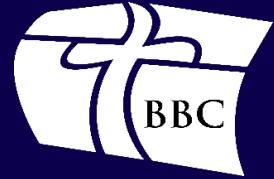
2 Thessalonians 1:7-8

•and to grant relief to you who are afflicted as well as to us, **when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with his mighty angels**⁸ in flaming fire, inflicting vengeance on those who do not know God and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus.



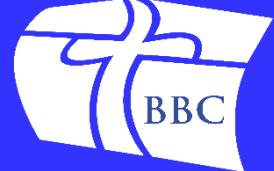
2 Thessalonians 1:9

- They will suffer the punishment of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might,



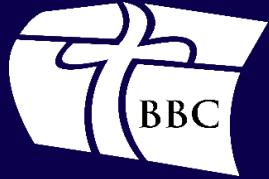
2 Thessalonians 1:10

•when he comes on that day to be glorified in his saints, and to be marveled at among all who have believed, because our testimony to you was believed.



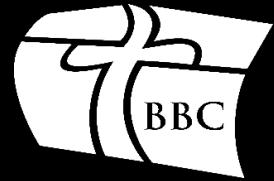
Now Paul talks Advent Again

2 Thessalonians 2:1



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•Now concerning **the coming**
[Advent] of our Lord Jesus
Christ and **our being gathered**
together to him, we ask you,
brothers,



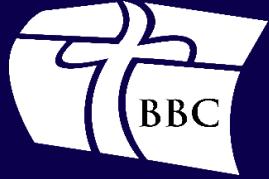
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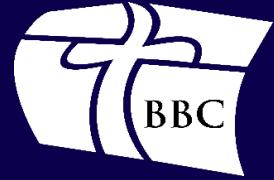
2 Thessalonians 2:2

•not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by a spirit or a spoken word, or a letter seeming to be from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come.



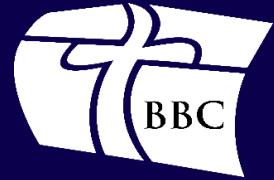
2 Thessalonians 2:3

•Let no one deceive you in any way. For that day will not come, unless the rebellion comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction,



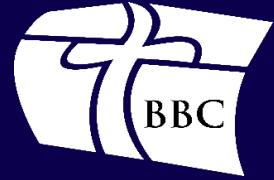
2 Thessalonians 2:4

•who opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming himself to be God.



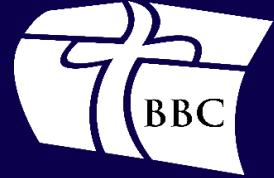
2 Thessalonians 2:5

- Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things?



2 Thessalonians 2:6

- And you know what is restraining him now so that he may be revealed in his time.



2 Thessalonians 2:7-8

•For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work. Only he who now restrains it will do so until he is out of the way. And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will kill with the breath of his mouth and **bring to nothing by the appearance of his coming [Advent].**



The 2nd Advent of Christ

Was an ever present reality to
Paul



2 Timothy 4:1

- I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, **who is to judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingdom:**



Again the Advent In

1 Timothy 6:13-15

Titus 2:13



1 Timothy 6:13-15

•¹³ I charge you in the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, ¹⁴ to keep the commandment unstained and free from reproach **until the appearing [the Advent] of our Lord Jesus Christ,** ¹⁵ which he will display at the proper time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords,

Titus 2:11 For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people,¹² training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age,¹³ waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing [Advent] of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ,¹⁴ who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

At the 2nd Advent, Christ

- **Reveals Himself to the world**
- **Inflicts vengeance on His enemies**
- **Secures Satan, the Beast, & the F.P. for the L. of F.**
- **Brings the sleeping saints back with Him**
- **Raises the dead and the dead in Christ**
- **Sends angels to gather the elect**
- **Judges the living & the dead (sheep from the goats)**
- **Establishes His kingdom on this earth**