

“Ready for Christ’s Coming”

Luke 12:35-48

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I. Introduction

- A. Jesus Christ is coming again (v. 40)
 - 1. The New Testament has 260 chapters, and Christ’s return is mentioned no less than 318 times, which comes out to once in every 25 verses
 - 2. It’s an important doctrine
 - 3. Many have given up on it
 - 4. Why is it here in Luke 12?
 - a) Beware of hypocrisy (v. 1)
 - b) Beware of covetousness (v. 15)
 - c) Beware of worry (v. 22)
 - d) “Seek the kingdom of God” (v. 31)
 - e) “For where your treasure is...” (v. 34)
 - 5. The answer to these sins is “living in the light of His coming”

II. Eight Reasons Jesus Must Return

- A. The promise of God demands it
- B. The claim of Jesus demands it
- C. The testimony of the Holy Spirit demands it
- D. God’s program for the church demands it
- E. The future of Israel demands it
- F. The vindication of Christ demands it
- G. The judgment of Satan demands it
- H. The groaning of creation demands it
 - 1. (Romans 8)

III. Conclusion

- A. Timeline of events
 - 1. Rapture and Second Coming
- B. Get ready. How?
 - 1. Trust Jesus as your Savior
 - 2. Live a godly life
 - 3. Serve Him daily