

So Shall the coming of the Son of Man Be

Matthew 24:37-39

Greeting to the churches

- A So shall also the coming of the Son of man be -vs. 37
- B For in the days before the flood—eating/drinking/marriage/giving in marriage
- X Until the day that Noah entered the ark¹ -vs. 38
- B and knew not until the flood came and took them all away -vs. 39
- A¹ So shall also the coming of the Son of man be -vs. 39

Christ is focusing on the Close of Probation when He comes, not on the Second Advent in this passage.

1. Many overlook the clear reading of the word and due to their own bias or tradition, put a meaning on certain passages, that overlooks the obvious. It is clear from the pinnacle passage that we are talking about the close of probation. When Noah entered the ark, the Lord sent an angel to shut the door of the ark. (Luke 13:25 indicates that “the Master rises up and shuts the door”) This ‘shutting of the door’ typifies in our day, the close of probation, when as the prophet Daniel records, “Michael, the great Prince shall stand up” (Dan 12:1) and make that solemn announcement in Rev 22:11, “He that is unjust... filthy...righteous...and holy, let him be still.”

This passage in Matthew 24 and other similar passages, should tell us that the day is coming when probationary time will close, and only those who are awake, alert, who watch and pray will be ready when the “coming of the Son of man” will ‘come’ to their names in the judgment.
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