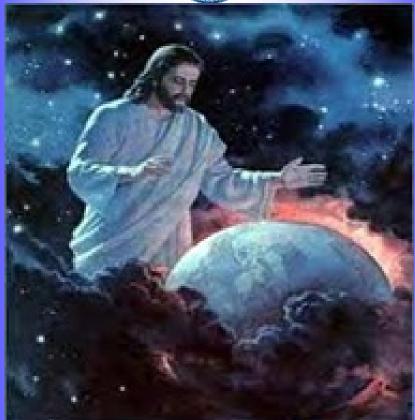
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Introduction

In this booklet the coming of Jesus Christ is examined and explained with biblical evidences. For all intents and purposes the writer seeks to give faith evidences that prove the soon and imminent return of Jesus Christ.

The bible, the word of God, tells us of Jesus Christ the Messiah, the son of God who came and dwelt among men upon the earth and did many wonderful works bringing salvation to man who was lost in sin.

In the days of Noah and the antediluvian world, the people mocked and scoffed at Noah while he warned that there was going to be a flood. They doubted that destruction was coming.

Today there are those who doubt that Jesus would come again and that this world would come to an end. 2 Peter 3:3-4

Jesus said that he is the truth, thus whatever he says is the truth and God is truth. John 14:6, Psalms 31:5

We therefore can safely conclude from scripture, that Jesus is coming again. "Coming again, Coming again, Jesus is coming again" Those are the words of the song. "Lift up the trumpet and loud let it ring."

The question is, Just who is Jesus coming for when he comes again? And how does he require those he is coming for to be? This booklet will examine those questions and give biblical evidence to answer the same.

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God. They do not worship the beast of Revelation 13: 1,2, who received a deadly wound which was healed, neither the image of the beast (Rev 13:15-17). They neither received his mark in their foreheads nor in their hands. Revelation 14:12, Revelation 20:4.

30. The *Saints/Thusians'* endurance cause them to gain victory over the beast and his image, his mark and over the number of his name and stand on the sea of glass. Revelation 14:12, Revelation 15:2.

31. The call of Christ still is today, "Come unto me all ye that labour and are heavy laden and, I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28. Christ is still gently calling today for men and women, boys and girls to come into his kingdom that his house may be filled. Luke 14:23.

32. This call of God is to make *Thusians* of all men or to *thusianize* the world in preparation for his coming. Act 3:19, Romans 12:1,2. Will you accept this Call?

33. The *Saints* who are *Thusians* in their experience are blessed to enter heaven and have right to the tree of Life. They keep the Sabbath and worship YHWH God forever. Revelation 22:14, Isaiah 66:22,23.

May God bless you and give you faith for Justification/ Sin-freeness, making you **a Saint** and **a Thusian** in **your experience** as you prepare for the end and the second coming of Jesus Christ, in Jesus holy name, Amen. The reading of this booklet must be preceded with prayer and accompanied with your bible. May God bless you as you read and may you be willing and obedient to do his will, in Jesus holy name, Amen.

Let us now consider the fact that Jesus Christ is coming again. The following Scriptures prove this.

- 1. Jesus Christ himself said that he will come again. Revelation 1:8, John 14:1-3. Revelation 3:11, Revelation 22:7, 12, 20.
- 2. We are told that Jesus will come in like manner as he was seen going to heaven. Acts 1:9-11.
- 3. We are also told that every eye shall see Jesus at his coming. This means that the coming of Jesus Christ is a global event. Revelation 1:7, Matthew 24:27,29.
- 4. Jesus will come and will not tarry. Hebrews 10:37.
- 5. Of the second coming of Jesus Christ we are told that it is even at the doors. Matthew 24:32,33

Question-Just who is Jesus coming for when he comes again?

- The Church, we are told, will be caught up to meet the Lord in the air at his coming. 1 Thessalonians 4:15-17
- There is to be a gathering together of the elect or Saints at the second coming of Jesus Christ. Matthew 24: 29-31, Mark 13:23-27
- 3. We are therefore warned to watch and be ready for this gathering, as we know not the day and hour of Jesus' second coming. Matthew 24: 36-44, Matthew

25:13.

- 4. We are also warned of the destruction that surrounds the second coming of Christ and what diligence we, who look for his return, must have to be found in him (Christ) of peace without spot and blameless. 2 Peter 3:10-14.
- 5. Those who look Spiritually for the second coming of Jesus are known as Adventists. The word **Adventist** comes from the word **Advent**, which means looking for the coming of Christ. "A coming or arrival; the first or the second coming of Christ." *Wordsworth Concise English Dictionary P.* 12
- Christ returns for those who are looking for his coming without sin in their experience. They are sinfree; they are without sin, without fault before God's throne. Hebrews 9:28, Romans 6:18,19 & 22, Revelation 14:5.
- Who is a Saint? Saint- Greek hagios- "Holy, set apart, sanctified, consecrated, saint. It particularly means perfect, without blemish (Rom 12:1). Metaphorically it means morally pure, upright, blameless in heart and life, virtuous, holy." Spiros Zodhiates, The Complete Word Study Dictionary, New Testament, p.70.

8. Man therefore must be awakened to righteousness and **sin not** as preparation for the coming of Christ. 1 Corinthians 15:34.

9. This righteousness that man must be awakened to is **YHWH** God himself. Jeremiah 23:5,6

10. He must wear righteousness as a garment. This he must do at all times and so is blessed. Romans 3:22. Psalm 106:3.

Self—Denying Love to God and to your fellow men = *THUSIA*. So, our name **THUSIA SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST** is founded upon self-denying sacrifice in love to God, which is our sacrifice to him and to our fellow men based on the sacrifice of Christ.

23. We show our sacrifice to God in two ways, (1) Self denial—giving up self and (2) Obedience to his will. Romans 12:1.

24. Christ is the Sacrifice or *Thusia* who offered himself to God for us. Ephesians 5:2.

25. So God's call to all, dear reader, is to become *Thusian* (sacrificial) in your experience, denying all else for love to God and to your fellowmen. Psalm 50:1-5, Romans 12:1, Ephesians 5:2.

26. The *Saints* who are *Thusians*, exalt **YHWH** God to be God alone in their lives and preaching. Isaiah 43:10-12, Isaiah 44:6,8, Isaiah 45: 18,21,22.

27. This they (The *Saints* or *Thusians*) do that all men upon the earth may know that **YHWH** is the most high God over all the earth. Psalm 83.18

28. Following Christ, the *Saints* or *Thusians* have no guile in their mouth and are without fault before God's throne. 1 Peter 2:21,22, Revelation 14: 4,5.

29. The *Saints/Thusians* endure persecution and some are killed for the testimony of Jesus and the word of

some claim.

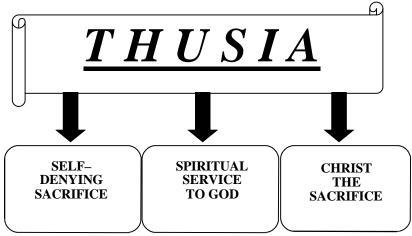
18. The *Saints* who are saved will be keeping the Sabbath in heaven forever in worship to **YHWH** God. Revelation 22.:14 Isaiah 66:22,23.

19. Jesus who is YHWH does the gathering of the *saints* or his church in the judgement and physically at his coming. Psalm 1:5, Psalm 50:1-5, Matthew 24:29-31.

20. Those- the *Saints-* gathered unto YHWH in the judgement and at his coming have made or cut YHWH's covenant with him by sacrifice. Psalm 50:5

21. To cut **YHWH's** covenant with him by sacrifice (*Thusia*) is to agree and comply with what God decrees, denying all else for love to YHWH God and your fellow men. John 14:15, Deuteronomy 6:5, Mark 12:30,31, Matthew 25: 34-40.

22. The word *Thusia* is an ancient Greek word that means sacrifice. "*Thusia*... the act of sacrificing or offering... By metonymy, the thing sacrificed... Metaphorically, of service, obedience, praise offered to God, an offering, oblation..." Spiros Zodhiates *The Complete Word Study Dictionary New Testament, p.746.*



11. Man is awakened to Righteousness by God's call and justification by faith. Psalm 10:4, John 6:44, Acts 2:39, Romans 8:33

12. Man is justified by faith when he repents and believes the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Mark 1:14 & 15, Romans 5:1.

13. The Gospel we are told is the **power** (Greek– Dunamis-dynamics or science/how things work) of God unto (Greek– eis– into) salvation and unveils the righteousness of God out of faith into faith and the justified man then lives by faith. Romans 1:16, 17, Habakkuk 2:4, Hebrews 10:38

14. The *Saints*- the church who made herself ready, will be arrayed with righteousness. Revelation 19:6-8.

15. The *Saints* are described as having endurance and keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. Revelation 14:12. This includes keeping the 7th day Sabbath. Revelation 14:6,7, Exodus 20:8-11, Isaiah 58:13,14.

16. Jesus who is Lord of the Sabbath and his disciples kept the Sabbath. Luke 4:16, Acts 13:13-16, 27, 42 - 44.

17. Paul tells us that the 7th day Sabbath rest remains to the people of God. Therefore the saints following Jesus's example cease from work as God did from his. Hebrews 4:3,4,9-11, Genesis 2:1-3. The word ''rest'' in verse 9 of Hebrews 4 in the Greek is Sabbatismos and it means Sabbath keeping. " Sabbatismos ... To keep the Sabbath. A keeping of a Sabbath, a rest as on the Sabbath." Spiros Zodhiates-*The Complete Word Study Dictionary of the New Testament, p 1268.* So there remaineth a Sabbath keeping to the people of God since one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from God's law. Matthew 5:18. Thus the 7th day Sabbath of God remains and is not abolished as