

31 Dec 2014: Preached by Rev Stephen Khoo

Topic: **The Soon-Coming of Jesus Christ!**

Scripture Text: Revelation 22:12-21

1. The greatest motivation in a new year is to look forward with anticipation for the return of the Lord Jesus Christ. Jesus said 3 times in the last chapter of the last book of the Bible in Revelation chapter 22 that He will come back again very soon. The Lord Jesus will fulfill His promise to us.
2. Some people do not believe in the promise of Jesus' second coming. Some will only believe it as a head knowledge. For those who believe and love the coming of Jesus, it is promise by God that there will be a reward for them. For the unbelievers, it will be a time of judgment for them.
3. The signs of the coming of Jesus are given in Matthew 24. One of the signs is that Israel will be a nation with the Jews returning back to their homeland. After AD70, the Jews were scattered by the Romans and Israel was no more a nation. God worked mightily to restore Israel as a nation again on 14 May 1948. We are near the return of Jesus with this sign fulfilled.
4. Why must Jesus come back again? The reason is because He has promised to do so. Another reason is to create the new Heaven and new Earth. Sins had polluted the earth and judgment must come. The 3rd reason is to avenge the Christians who are persecuted and suffered on this earth for their faith.
5. While we wait for the soon-coming of Jesus Christ, let us witness for Him and occupy till He comes.