

Parousia vs Coming of the Lord

MATTHEW 24:27 For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of Man be.

And also, I would have to look at the Greek language and Greek definitions of the words appearing and coming.

62-0713 FROM.THAT.TIME, SPOKANE.WA FRIDAY

E-102 how many knows there's a difference between the appearing of Christ and the coming of Christ? It's two different words. Now's the appearing, the coming will soon be. He's appearing in the midst of us, doing the works that He once did, in His church. Now, you're a part of that church, and by grace you believe. I am a member of that church.

Now, I'm not a preacher. ...ed...

There are apostles, prophets, teachers, pastors, and evangelists. Not all are apostles, not all are prophets, not all are teachers, not all evangelists. I'm standing here...

But my ministry is a different ministry from a pastor or teacher. I'm not. And if i say things wrong, brethren, forgive me. I don't mean it. But this is my ministry (see?) To declare him, that he's here.

Notice no one in the 7 Church Ages could make a statement like this - my ministry - my sole purpose of being born - is to declare him.

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Now let us examine the scriptures that the religious world and the message associate with the coming of the Lord.

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I THESSALONIANS 4:15 for this we say unto you by the word of the lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the Coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.

I THESSALONIANS 3:13 To the end He may stablish your hearts unblameable in holiness before God, even our Father, at the Coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all His saints.

I THESSALONIANS 5:23 And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the Coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

MATTHEW 24:3 And as He sat upon the Mount of Olives, the disciples came unto Him privately, saying, tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of Thy Coming, and of the end of the world?

I CORINTHIANS 15:23 But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at His Coming.

II THESSALONIANS 2:8 And Then Shall That Wicked Be Revealed, Whom The Lord Shall Consume With The Spirit Of His Mouth, And Shall Destroy With The Brightness Of His Coming:

JAMES 5:7 Be Patient Therefore, Brethren, Unto The Coming Of The Lord. Behold, The Husbandman Waiteth For The Precious Fruit Of The Earth, And Hath Long Patience For It, Until He Receive The Early And Latter Rain.

JAMES 5:8 Be Ye Also Patient; Stablish Your Hearts: For The Coming Of The Lord Draweth Nigh.

II PETER 3:4 And Saying, Where Is The Promise Of His Coming? For Since The Fathers Fell Asleep, All Things Continue As They Were From The Beginning Of The Creation.

I JOHN 2:28 And Now, Little Children, Abide In Him; That, When He Shall Appear, We May Have Confidence, And Not Be Ashamed Before Him At His Coming.

Notice how many times the word 'coming' is used.
This led the majority of ministers to associate these scriptures with the 2nd Coming of the Lord. Sometimes call His 2nd advent.

Notice how many times the word coming is used in the above scriptures:

- The Son of Man Coming
- Christ Coming
- The Promise of His Coming
- The Brightness of His Coming
- At His Coming
- Sign of His Coming
- Unto the Coming

Now if you were to take the English translation of the above scripture, just as they are written in your bible, you would certainly form an erroneous view of the Coming of the Lord.

You also would associate all these scriptures with His 2nd Coming.
But this is not true!

Most of the religious world and the message world has done the same. They have false understanding of these scriptures pertaining to His Coming. They feel embolden because the word 'coming' is used in every one of the above scriptures. Remember the prophet warned us about confusing His Appearing with His Coming.

There are four words that are in a family of words. These four words are descriptive of the appearing of Christ. All four words refer to and are connected to **the Appearing Christ and must not be confused with the Coming of Christ.**

The four words are:

- parousia
- apokalupsis
- epiphaneia
- phaneroo

There is much confusion on the interpretation of these terms and how there are related to the Appearing and the Coming of Christ.

It is commonly assumed by the majority in the message that term Coming of the Lord, relates to the word Parousia. This error is magnified. The Parousia of the Lord is an end time mystery.

All the above scriptures use the English translation for the word **Parousia as the word coming. This is most misleading.** God concealed the true meaning of this word [Parousia] from the wise and prudent. And in so doing, the world was and is led astray.

For they all view all these scripture as pertaining the physical corporal 2nd Coming of the Lord or in the message, they call it a phase of His Coming. This is also false.

The Parousia of God was a mystery only to be revealed and understood at the end time, through the person and ministry of the Son of Man.

Parousia: the word means to be near or alongside.

The English translated it coming or presence.
And the Latin translated it "advent".

Notice: All the above scriptures use the English translation for the word Parousia as the word coming, not even presence was used. This is part of the problem leading to many errors.

For the English reading Christian, they are seeing the scriptures using the word coming and they naturally assume that it is speaking of the Coming of the Lord.

3952 parousia {par-oo-see'-ah} from the present participle of 3918; TDNT -- 5:858,791; n f AV coming (22), presence (2) [24]

1) presence

2) **the coming, arrival, advent**; esp. the future visible return from heaven of Jesus, to raise the dead, hold the last judgement, and set up formally and gloriously the kingdom of God

The English and Latin translations "coming" and "advent" gives or leads to the wrong concept of someone coming to us, emphasizing a movement toward us.

While the Greek word "Parousia" emphasized His Presence being with us and the effects of Him being with us. What the effect of His Presence has around and upon us?

This is one of the causes of much error in the message.

The Parousia of Christ [God] means **not simply His Presence** with us **but the acts** which His Presence brings about or has upon us. The word Parousia was used by the Greeks to show not only **the arrival but the Presence**. The word emphasis is **not so much on His arrival** but of His Presence and **what He is doing**.

What is **the effect He is having** since He has arrived and is present?

The arrival speaks of an instantaneous event. He arrives and that's the end of the story.

While His presence speaks of a continuous/ongoing influence happening.

MATTHEW 24:37 But as **the days** of Noe *were*, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

Notice it says the days of Noah, not the day, that is it is speaking of a period of time. In other words, over a period of time His Presence is on the earth. Notice it carries a compound meaning the word Parousia focuses not only upon the arrival but also **the Manifestations which follows the Arrival**.

Since God Is Invisible, how do we know His Parousia is here? Through the Manifestations.

[Phaneroo And Epiphany Apocalypse] Identifies His Presence.

Revelation 3:20 Knocking are the two unique characteristics that identifies His Presence. His Two unique Signs of Power identify His Parousia.

Sometimes Parousia is translated into the English Word **Coming**, and the Latin Word **Advent**, these are limited in their defining of this Greek word Parousia. Yet they are best representative of the words we can find in our languages.

Even the word presence does not convey the word's full meaning to the message ministers. Translators substituted the word, "presence" which is limited.

Scriptures never speak of two Parousia.

The Prophet taught that there are Three Comings. All Comings are in His Own Body, which is His Son. It is always in His Own Physical Body.

Now, there is only one Parousia promised to The Elect Bride Believers. This Parousia was to be what all saints was to look towards. It was to be the climax of their total redemption. All prophets and sages longed to live in the day of His Parousia. The prophet says if he was given to choose what day he would like to live in, he said he would choose this age.

64-0119 SHALOM, PHOENIX.AZ, V-22 N-1

88 The hour is here! If I could have been back there before the days that the world was created, and looked down and seen the whole thing, and the Father had said to me, "What day would you want to live?" I would say now, right now! This is the hour! This is the greatest hour that the church has ever moved into, just before the Coming of the Bridegroom. Oh, the real church of the Living God ought to be on fire, burning, with the light of the gospel being vindicated among them. "Rise and shine, for the light has come to you".

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62-1230E IS.THIS.THE.SIGN.OF.THE.END.SIR. JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-2 N-11 SUNDAY

There is some of the mysteries.

262 The Pillar of Fire returning back. Amen! That's the thing that's supposed to take place, and we see it.

So, His Parousia relates to the return of the Pillar of Fire - remember the Pillar of Fire only works through a major prophet.

64-0719M FEAST.OF.THE.TRUMPETS

35-3 The Holy Spirit back in the church again, Christ, Himself, revealed in human flesh in the evening time. He said it; He promised it.

Here we see, the Parousia is connected to God in human flesh - the Parousia is connected to the word 'apocalypse' - to a divine revealing.

63-0901M TOKEN, JEFFERSONVILLE.IN, V-2 N-19, SUNDAY

90 Israel knowed something was coming.

91 So did Luther know it, so did Wesley know it, so did Finney, Knox, Calvin, know it.

This is it! They knew there would come a time **that the Pillar of Fire would return back to the church**. They knowed there would come a time that these things would happen, but they didn't live to see it, but they looked forward to it.

Notice: The Prophet did not say Luther and Wesley were looking for the Coming of the Lord. They were looking for a person and a ministry. That they need before the Coming of the Lord. They were looking for His Parousia.

65-1125 THE.INVISIBLE.UNION.OF.THE.BRIDE.OF.CHRIST, SHREVEPORT.LA V-2 N-15 THURSDAY

337 Dear God, we set solemnly now, a thanksgiving day it really is, Lord. I am grateful, Lord, to be living in this day. This is the greatest day.

Paul the apostle longed to see this day. The great men of old longed to see it. The prophets longed to see it. They looked for this day. Abraham looked for this day.

Now-

If the church and message ministry misunderstand the difference between His [Presence] Parousia which is manifested [phaneroo] by His Actions, His Two Unique Signs, then the church will miss the Rapture.

To miss His Appearing, is to miss the Rapture, miss the Coming, even though you believe the message, follow the message, preach the message, live the message. That's an amen. That's for sure.

Remember what I stated in the beginning: the Parousia of God was a mystery only to be revealed and understood at the end time, through the person and ministry of the Son of Man.

64-0125 TURN.ON.THE.LIGHT, PHOENIX.AZ V-22 N-3 SATURDAY

85 There is Abraham's group, the elected, pulled out, the one with the promise, waiting truly for the Son. Lot was looking for a son, also, but not in the form that Abraham was looking for Him.

What happened? Just before it happened, **God come down and manifested Himself in flesh**, and declared that He was the word, for, "the word of God is sharper than a two-edged sword, and **a discernor of the thoughts** that's in the heart." Jesus said, "so shall it be again, at the Coming of the Son of Man." these promises are divine.

NOTICE:

What form was Abraham looking for? And what form was Lot looking for? The same as today. **The Holy Spirit Himself can only be in one place at one time**. So, His Personal Presence is not and was not everywhere, not at all times, and not at all places. He chooses where He Manifest His Presence.

The Holy Spirit Himself came at many junctions of time. But this Presence or Parousia is unique, peculiar, different. The Holy Spirit Himself came to many Major Prophets but this

Presence or Parousia with this end time Prophet was unique, peculiar, different. The Parousia was to be something peculiar, having never occurred before and never to occur again. Scriptures never speak of a second Parousia.

It was to be the Presence of Jehovah Himself differing from and superior to all other Manifestations of Himself to men, in men and through men. The Parousia was to be something peculiar, having never occurred before and never to occur again. This is why the Prophet was commissioned in a way that no other prophets was commissioned, that is neither Moses, Daniel, Elijah etc.

Remember, the Parousia of Christ [God] means not simply His Presence but the Acts [Manifestations] by which The Presence brings about. The word Parousia was to show not only the Arrival but the Presence. The word's emphasis is not so much on His Arrival but of His Presence and what it is doing?

What is the effect it is having since He has Arrived and is Present?

Now since God is Invisible, where was these actions and manifestation to be seen? From the veil of a specially commissioned man. God's Parousia was identified with and in the man William Marrion Branham. The body of the prophet was used and anointed in a way that's unique to all other prophets outside of the Son Jesus.

Through the body of William Branham:

- God's Parousia [Presence] was seen
- God's Phaneroo [Manifestation & Characteristics] was seen
- God's Epiphanea [Showing Light to view by senses] was seen
- God's Apocalypse [Revelation] was seen

So, The Body of the Prophet was uniquely needed – uniquely used – this was to be a unique Parousia – never happened before – it was typed in **Genesis 18**.

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Now, You're a part of that church, and by grace you believe. I am a member of that church.

Now, I'm not a preacher. you know I'm Not. I Have Not The Education To Do It. Sometimes I Feel Reluctant Standing Here By Men Of God, Who's Called To That Office.

There Are Apostles, Prophets, Teachers, Pastors, And Evangelists. Not All Are Apostles, Not All Are Prophets, Not All Are Teachers, Not All Evangelists. I'm Standing Here...

But My Ministry Is A Different Ministry From A Pastor Or Teacher. I'm--I'm Not. And If I Say Things Wrong, Brethren, Forgive Me. I Don't Mean It. **But this is my ministry (see?) to**

declare Him, that He's here.

This Is Why This Commission Was Given To The Prophet From Birth - His ministry was to declare the Parousia of God.

50-0300 GIFTS.AND.CALLINGS.ARE.WITHOUT.REPENTANCE

E-14 But I Was Seven Years Old; I Was Packing Water From A Well, And A Voice Spoke To Me Out Of A Bush, As A Whirlwind In A Bush, Said, "Don't Never Smoke, Or Drink, Or Defile Your Body In Any Way. There'll Be A Work To Do When You Get Older."
I Said, "That's Sacred.

NOTICE:

The Parousia ministry needs a body that God could anoint and use in a unique way, different from any other prophets.

Moses – Paul – Elijah was never told this or was ever used in this way.

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64-0618 THE.PRESENCE.OF.GOD.UNRECOGNIZED, TOPEKA.KS V-20 N-2 THURSDAY

132 what's going on down there? What's going on up here? Compare it with what Jesus said. Never before in history have we ever set.

And the same signs that would be done! Don't you realize, friends, and recognize it's God come down in the gospel, in His people, making Himself known?

64-0614M THE.UNVEILING.OF.GOD, JEFFERSONVILLE.IN V-9 N-1 SUNDAY

362 This visible Pillar of Fire that's scientifically proven, many years ago, as a little boy, spoke to me out there and told me I'd live right here, what would take place. Telling you about it, and then It... One day down on the river, before the ministry started, first revival, He appeared in the skies, identified Himself and give the commission. **All these years I've hid it in my heart, veiling Christ, same Pillar of Fire interpreting the Word, as promised.** We're in the last day, just the Coming of the Lord. And if you find yourself outside that veil, which is death to stay out, will you by faith, this morning, say, "By God's help. And with Your help, Lord, I want to break through that veil. I want to get in where You're at, to see the full Word of God"?

Note: The law of Representation.

God with Israel.

God came down.

To whom?

To meet with who?

To speak through who?

John 14:12 is the ministry of the Son of Man. A One-Man scripture. A One-Man Ministry to Manifest and Identify the Parousia of God. This Is not a body scripture.

At One Time the Prophet taught this as a body scripture but it was later corrected in - the message **Shalom**.

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His Parousia brings a universal message and ministry, universally declared it, around the world 7 times.

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We see here Presence and not Coming.

Remember: Brother Branham said, "my ministry is to declare him, that he is here."

This word Parousia, appears:

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Noah's day was not the coming of the Lord.

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The elect - those under Noah - a ministry. Type of the Son of Man - was saved - God had a prophet preaching a message of warning then judgment.

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Is not **Malachi 4:4-5** and the Shout – prepares our heart – or does the establishing of our hearts have to wait for His 2nd Coming, when we meet Him in the air?

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I THESSALONIANS 4:16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a Shout, with the Voice of the Arch Angel, (Chief Messenger), and with the Trump of God. Then the dead shall be raised.

The living gets the message first - but is the last to get changed.

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