



## HE'S COMING

**JUNE 10, 2024**

**MATTHEW 24:27 NKJV – (27)** For as the lightning comes from the east and flashes to the west, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.

Here in the town which I stay, I watched as three major restaurant chains opened up. I watched the long lines that blocked major streets to get into the drive thru. They waited so patiently. The people refused to get out of line. They had heard about the goodness of what was inside. Many sacrificed to get there. Many said in their minds, "No turning back!" Not being sarcastic but I can even here some of them singing that old gospel song, "I feel no ways tired." I've come too far from where I started from. Jesus is returning. Are we willing to wait patiently for that occasion? That grand opening? Are we willing to sacrifice and do as He required until His arrival.

Nobody will miss the return of Jesus. The event won't be exclusive, or hidden, or known only to a few. When He comes the next time (**Revelation 19:11–15**). At His second coming, He won't appear only to a small group of the faithful. He won't be hidden away in the "inner rooms" of some monastery-style retreat. He won't be off in the wilderness with news arriving to them as a rumor (**Matthew 24:25–26**).

Jesus adds more dramatic emphasis to this point. His arrival will be as public, and as obvious, as a blast of lightning. He ties this to His role as the "Son of Man," a title also taken from prophecy (**Daniel 7:13, Matthew 26:64**). While Jesus' first coming was in humility (**Luke 2:7**), and for sacrifice (**Philippians 2:8**), His second coming will be in His absolute power, and for judgment (**Hebrews 9:27–28; Romans 14:11**).

Simply put, "He's coming."

**SCRIPTURE READING: ROMANS 14:11**

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:** "The first time [Christ] came to slay sin in men. The second time He will come to slay men in sin."