

eXplain it
(Advent 2)

Malachi 4 (the Day of the Lord)
Psalm 50:1-15 (Call Upon Me)
Romans 15:4-13 (the God of Hope)
Luke 21:25-36 (the Coming of the Son of Man)

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Three Advents "comings"

1st Advent: "fulfilled"
(remember and rejoice)

2nd Advent: "promised"
(repent, watch and be ready)

On Going Advent
(receive, receive, receive)

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Repent
Receive
Rejoice

(repeat)

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Revelation 22:20: He who testifies to these things says, "Yes, I am coming soon."

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus. (NIV)

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**Be aware!
Be ready!
Don't be afraid!**

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**"the Day of the Lord"
the day of judgment**

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Malachi 4:1-6: Surely the day is coming; it will burn like a furnace. All the arrogant and every evildoer will be stubble, and that day that is coming will set them on fire," says the Lord Almighty. "Not a root or a branch will be left to them. (NIV)

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1 Thessalonians 5:1-3: Now, brothers, about times and dates we do not need to write to you, 2 for you know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. 3 While people are saying, "Peace and safety," destruction will come on them suddenly, as labor pains on a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. (NIV)

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2 Peter 3: 8-13: 10 But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything in it will be laid bare. (NIV)

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**"just as ..."
"... so also ..."**

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Matthew 24:37-42: As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. 38 For in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark; 39 and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. (NIV)

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Luke 21:25-36

“lift up your heads”
“your redemption is drawing near”

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Luke 21:25-36: 25 "There will be signs in the sun, moon and stars. On the earth, nations will be in anguish and perplexity at the roaring and tossing of the sea. 26 Men will faint from terror, apprehensive of what is coming on the world, for the heavenly bodies will be shaken. (NIV)

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Luke 21:25-36: 27 At that time they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. 28 When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near." (NIV)

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The Church Militant prays ...
Thy Kingdom Come (of grace and glory)
Deliver Us From Evil

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“lift of up your heads your
redemption is drawing near”

the promise of an
“eternal summer”

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Luke 21:25-36: 29 He told them this parable:
"Look at the fig tree and all the trees.
30 When they sprout leaves, you can see for
yourselves and know that summer is near. 31
Even so, when you see these things happening,
you know that the kingdom of God is near. (NIV)

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**May Your Kingdom not come!
... not come, not yet!**

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Luke 21:25-36: 34 "Be careful, or your hearts will be weighed down with dissipation, drunkenness and the anxieties of life, and that day will close on you unexpectedly like a trap. 35 For it will come upon all those who live on the face of the whole earth. (NIV)

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**“What is long delayed
is not abandoned.”**

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Why does the Lord delay?

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2 Peter 3: 8-13: But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day. 9 The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance. (NIV)

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2 Peter 3: 8-13: 13 But in keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness. 14 So then, dear friends, since you are looking forward to this, make every effort to be found spotless, blameless and at peace with him. 15 Bear in mind that our Lord's patience means salvation ... (NIV)

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