

Skegness Community Church - Weekly Bible Study 2025

52 passages of Scripture that every believer should know

Week 51 - FAMOUS LAST WORDS Revelation 22:20

"He who testifies to these things says, "yes, I am coming soon". Amen. Come , Lord Jesus."

The final words spoken by men and women are always intriguing. In this week's verse, we have the last promise of the Bible from the lips of Christ and the last prayer of the Bible from the lips of John. When, after His earthy mission, our Lord ascended back to the Father, two angels appeared to His followers, saying, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand there looking into the sky? This same Jesus , who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen Him go into heaven" (Acts 1:11).

Now, on the last page of the Bible, Jesus closes this Book of all books with the identical theme. This same Jesus promises, **"yes, I am coming soon"**. And each generation since the first century has been looking for "the Blessed Hope," His "glorious appearing" (Titus 2:13).

The Bible speaks of three major comings. First is the first coming of Christ, born of a virgin in the little obscure village of Bethlehem. He came and "dwelt among us" (John 1:14). For thirty-three years Jesus showed us a picture of true love.

Next, there is the coming of the Holy Spirit foretold especially by the prophet Joel. This coming took place on the day of Pentecost when the Holy Spirit came to indwell believers, **never to leave us**, empowering us for service.

The only major coming yet to be fulfilled is the return, the second coming of Jesus Christ. Just as surely as He came the first time, He is coming again. He is coming for His bride, the church. And when He reappears, all believers will recognise Him for who He is, our almighty King. The Bible indicates that no one knows the day or the hour when our Lord will return (see Mark 13:32).

However, like with the other two major comings, there are signs and indications that this great event may be drawing near.

THE LAST PROMISE OF THE BIBLE

There are thousands of promises in the Bible. But the promise of Revelation 22:20, yet to be fulfilled, marks the climax of history. Jesus said, **"yes, I am coming soon"**. I say no more!

THE LAST PRAYER OF THE BIBLE

Having heard this amazing promise from His Saviour's lips, John's first impulse is to burst out in prayer: **"Come , Lord Jesus"**. **Just three words** . Often some of the most powerful prayers are the shortest ones. In this prayer John is anticipating the return of the Lord, which will usher a new age of peace followed by the millennial reign of Christ on earth, followed by heaven, when time will be no more. We will never know peace internationally until we have peace on a national level. We will never see peace in our nation until we have peace in our town. And peace will never come to our town until it comes to our street. This is impossible unless we have peace in our own home. And no true peace will exist in our own home unless we have found peace in our own hearts, and that comes only by knowing the Prince of Peace Himself. Jesus is coming again to bring a kingdom of true lasting peace among us. Join me in joining John and praying, **"Come , Lord Jesus!"**

As you memorise this verse, meditate on this awesome event yet to come. And examine your life to make sure you are ready and will not be ashamed at His coming.

"Yes, I am coming soon". Amen. Come , Lord Jesus."