

What more tribulation could you have than that? Who knows what may come here? We don't know. But what Jesus said, In the hour that you think not the Son of Man cometh. Is He coming in the time of tribulation? We don't know. Is He coming in a time when things are pleasant? We don't know. Is He coming when there is no temple standing in Jerusalem? We don't know. Is He coming after a temple is put up in Jerusalem? We don't know. But what we know is we are commanded to be ready because in such an hour as you think not the Son of Man cometh.

There may be many things that have to be fulfilled before the Lord comes back, but no man is capable of saying these things are being fulfilled or have been fulfilled because our Lord says we are not to know when he is coming. We ought always to be ready for His coming. We are to comfort one another with these words. What a marvelous thing that would be. Wouldn't it be grand if He were to come today! Wouldn't it be grand if He would come this year? Of course if we all unitedly believed he is coming *this year* I think it is pretty good proof He isn't, because He said in such an hour as you think not, He is coming. We don't know when He is coming. But He wants us to have in mind what's going to happen when he comes. He will descend with a shout and we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with those who have already gone, in clouds to meet meet Him in the air. What an experience that will be, and what surprises we will have as we are caught up. How many people we have known who spoke very piously, who perhaps made long prayers, who