

Sunday, November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025  
Sermon Series: “The Weary World Rejoices.”  
(Advent, 2025)  
“Wake Up!” *Matthew 24.3, 36-44; Isaiah 2.4; Romans 13.8, 12, 14.*

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## **The Season of Advent**

*Matthew 24.3* As he sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately, saying, “Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign of your **coming** and of the end of the age?”

παρουσία (*parousia*): “Presence” “Arrival”

## **The Attitudes of Advent**

### **Expectation**

*Matthew 24.36-41* “But concerning that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father only. <sup>37</sup>For as were the days of Noah, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. <sup>38</sup>For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, <sup>39</sup>and they were unaware until the flood came and swept them all away, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. <sup>40</sup>Then two men will be in the field; one will be taken and one left. <sup>41</sup>Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken and one left.

*Isaiah 2.4* He shall judge between the nations, and shall decide disputes for many peoples; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore.

### **Preparation**

*Matthew 24.42-44* Therefore, stay awake, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. <sup>43</sup>But know this, that if the master of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. <sup>44</sup>Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

*Romans 13.8, 12, 14* Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. . . .<sup>12</sup> The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. . . .<sup>14</sup> But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.