

8 - The Proclaimed Kingdom

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God's place	The garden	Banished	Canaan	Canaan (and Jerusalem and temple)	New temple; new creation	<i>Jesus Christ:</i> true tabernacle; true temple
God's rule and blessing	God's word: perfect relationship	Disobedience and curse	Blessing to Israel and the nations.	The law and the king	New covenant; new king; great blessing	<i>Jesus Christ:</i> new covenant:: rest

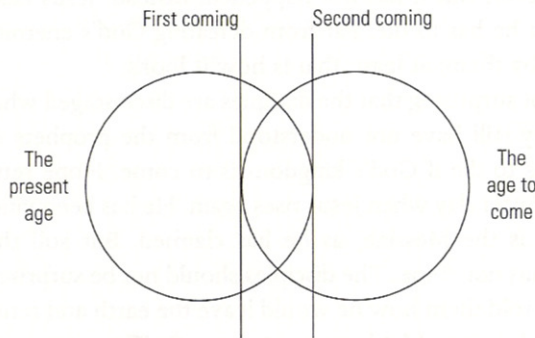
Introduction

Matthew 24-25

"Keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour" (Matthew 25v13)

The Last Days

It has come
But we await it's coming



The Reason for the Delay

'...do not forget this one thing, dear friends: with the Lord a day is like a 1000 years and a 1000 years are like a day. 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" (2 Peter 3v8-9)

"This is what is written: the Christ will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. I am going to send you what my Father has promised: but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high" (Luke 24v46-49).

The Sending of the Spirit

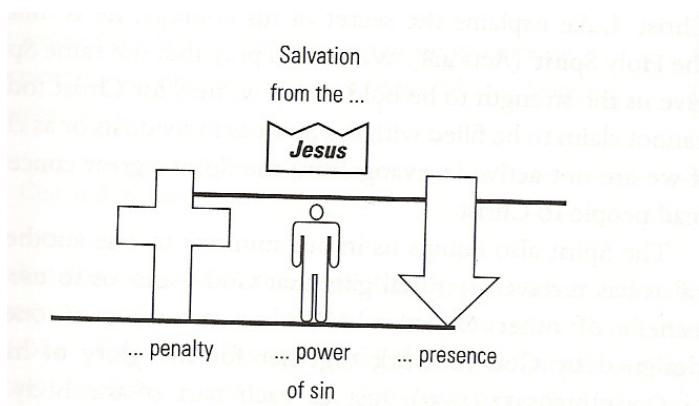
Acts 2 The day of Pentecost

"In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people". (Acts 2v17)

1. The sending of the Spirit.	2. The gospel preached to all nations.	3. Jesus returns.
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The Work of the Spirit

- 1) He brings new birth: John 3
- 2) He convicts us of our sin: John 16v7-11
- 3) He equips us to serve: Acts 4:8, 1 Corinthians 12v12-31
- 4) He makes us holy: past, present and future



The Kingdom of God

God's People

God's Place

God's Rule and Blessing

Christian experience in the last days

- We look back with thankfulness
- We experience frustration as well as joy
 - Our bodies are not yet redeemed
 - Our world is not yet redeemed

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