

**Valley Bible Church
Sermon Notes for January 17, 1988**

**Ready or Not, Here I Come
Matthew 24:36-51
Dale Whitehead**

Introduction: The second coming of Christ.

1. Be alert (attitude) expectant, watchful.

The day and hour no one knows, but the time frame of the tribulation is clear, seven years. Throughout this passage the warning is clear, be on the alert. This is a mystery that will remain unclear.

2. Jesus is now in His glory. He now knows the day and hour of His return. During this time the preoccupation of the world will be on the things of the world. Those taken in this passage are probably taken into judgment. We are also commanded to be on the alert not that we will be here during the tribulation but that Jesus is coming.

We need to live expecting Jesus to come, focusing on Jesus, not the things of this world.