

Alan DiDio: 9 Signs of Jesus' Advent Arrival

As believers, we are entrusted with a dual mandate—to actively fulfill the Great Commission and to remain vigilant for the signs of Christ's return. Bishop Alan DiDio's recent message on the nine signs indicating we are nearing the end times reminds us of the balance Christians are called to maintain: spreading the Gospel while staying spiritually alert. The urgency to evangelize and share the hope of salvation is underscored by the prophetic markers unfolding around us.

Here are the nine end-time predictions that DiDio reveals occurred before the birth of Jesus, and may signal the end of the current age with His return:

1. Dreams and visions. "Joel chapter 2 says In the last days I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh and your sons and daughters shall prophesy, your old men will dream dreams and your young men will see visions.' So if the first Advent was preceded by dreams and visions, it would be fair to assume especially when you read the prediction in Joel chapter 2, that the second Advent will be preceded by a swirl and an acceleration of dreams and visions," DiDio says.

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2. A darkness that became defensive. "Something happened surrounding this first Advent where darkness became defensive," DiDio reveals. "How was it manifested? The first time, interestingly enough, it was manifested as abortion. The moment word came that the Messiah would be birthed into the Earth, what did the king do? [He] began to kill children."

3. The baptism of the Holy Spirit. "Jesus first appearance was preceded by the baptism in the Holy Ghost," DiDio explains,

“...when Jesus is in His mother’s womb, and gets in the same room with another child His age, the Bible said He was baptized in the Holy Ghost, leaped in His mother’s womb.”

4. The literal fulfillment of prophecy. “We can see how the prophecies concerning the first Advent took place, did they happen figuratively? Or spiritually? Or allegorically? Was it symbolic? Or representative? Or did every single detail that was predicted even though it seemed absurd happen exactly as He [God] said it was going to happen,” DiDio asks.

5. Angelic intervention. “Angels don’t hearken to you. They hearken to the voice of the Lord our God. But when you speak God’s Word they’ll hearken to you because it’s not you talking, it’s God’s Word talking through you,” DiDio says. So speak the Word only, and when you speak the Word only, angels will begin to move.”

6. An understanding of the heavens. “The Magi understood what was happening by what was happening in the stars,” DiDio explains. “And haven’t you noticed that in the last few years there’s been an unusual revelation in the body of Christ concerning the stars?”

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7. Phases of fulfillment. “Will His [Jesus] second Advent be accomplished in phases as well?” DiDio asks. “Only a few were privy to His conception, a few more were privy to His birth, a few more were privy to His visitation when He was 12 years of age in the temple and even more at 30 years of age. Then the whole wide world. Will we see the same thing happen? Will He appear first to a remnant, snatch them away and then be revealed to the whole wide world?”

8. Time in the house of God. “The first appearance of Jesus was preceded by time in church in prayer and in fasting,”

DiDio shares. "Jesus' first appearance was accomplished in a time, in a manner, that they were not expecting. Prayer, fasting, time in church and the Word prepared the remnant to receive Him."

9. Unexpectedness. "Jesus is coming once again, and He's not coming for everybody. He is coming for those who are waiting for Him. He's coming to rescue His own and to complete the work of redemption," DiDio warns.

Jesus' command to go into all the world and make disciples does not negate His admonition to "watch and pray." Instead, the two instructions complement each other. As the world grows increasingly chaotic, DiDio's insights invite believers to discern the times, interpret the fulfillment of biblical prophecy and prepare their hearts for Christ's imminent return. This watchfulness, however, is not rooted in fear but in faith, inspiring us to live with purpose, urgency and hope.

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