

**This list of predictions of Jesus' return is adapted from a list that Herbert Douglass once distributed.**

—*Richard Coffen, 29 June 2023*

- c. A.D. 50 Paul: “We which are alive and remain . . .” 1 Thessalonians 4:15, 17.
- c. A.D. 90 Clement 1 predicted that the world end would occur momentarily.
- A.D. 100s Montanist leaders predicted Jesus would return during their lifetime.
- A.D. 365 Hilary of Poitiers announced that the end would happen that year.
- A.D. 500 Antipope Hippolytus and Sextus Julius Africanus predicted Armageddon that year.
- A.D. 968 The army of German emperor Otto III interpreted an eclipse as prelude to the end.
- A.D. 1005 A famine throughout Europe was believed to signify the end.
- A.D. 1033 Believing this to be the 1000th anniversary of the death and resurrection of Jesus, his coming would soon occur.
- A.D. 1179 John of Toledo predicted the end of the world during the year 1186.
- A.D. 1669 The Old Believers in Russia believed the end would occur in this year.

- A.D. 1689 Benjamin Keach predicted the end of the world for this year.
- A.D. 1794 Charles Wesley thought Doomsday would occur in this year.
- c. A.D. 1832 Joseph Smith predicted that the Second Coming would happen that year.
- A.D. 1844 Millerites expected Jesus to return on October 22.
- c. A.D. 1856 Ellen White wrote: “I was shown the company present at the Conference. Said the angel of those present: ‘Some food for worms, some subjects of the seven last plagues, some will be alive and remain upon the earth to be translated at the coming of Jesus’.” All are deceased.
- A.D. 1880 Thomas Rawson Birks calculated that the end of the world would be in 1880.
- A.D. 1881 Mother Shipton wrote: “The world to an end shall come; in eighteen hundred and eighty-one.”
- A.D. 1914, 1925, 1941, 1975, 1994 Jehovah’s Witness leaders predicted the Second Coming would come in those years, first the one and then the other year.
- A.D. Nov. 13, 1900 Members of the Russian cult Brothers and Sisters of the Red Death expected the world to end on this day.

A.D. Feb. 13, 1925) Margaret Rowan (self-proclaimed successor to EGW) said that the world would end at midnight on this date, which happened to be Friday the 13th.

A.D. September 21, 1945 A minister named Long heard a voice saying that the world would be destroyed at 5:33 p.m. on September 21.

A.D. January 9, 1953 Agnes Carlson, founder of Sons of Light, predicted the end of the world on this date.

A.D. August 9, 1969 George Williams, leader of the Morrisites, predicted the Second Coming of Christ would occur on this date.

A.D. Autumn 1982 Pat Robertson predicted that the end of the world would occur in the fall of 1982.

A.D. October 28, 1992 Lee Jang Rim, leader of the Korean Mission for the Coming Days, predicted that the Rapture would occur on this date.

A.D. September 1996 Guatemalan preacher Marvin Byers said the Second Coming would take place at that time.

A.D. November, 1998 Ron Reese wrote that “overwhelming evidence” revealed that the Second Coming would take place that month.

A.D. May 17, 2000 Rebecca S. Harrison claimed that Jesus would reappear on May 17.

Late A.D. 1990s and early 2000s Adventist author G. Edward Reid predicted the year and month (not the “day”) of the Second Coming.

A.D. 2034 Joseph Nathan Smith has claimed [the discovery in Scripture of the year 2034](#) for the Second Coming.