

When's He Comin'?

Cast: Angel Bob & Angel Ted

Setting: Angel Bob is very excited about the coming of the Messiah, but doesn't know the signs. Angel Ted explains to Angel Bob what must happen before the Messiah comes. Angel Ted is reading a book. Angel Bob bursts in excitedly, startling Angel Ted.

Bob: It's time! It's time!

Ted: What do you mean, "It's time"? Time for what?

Bob: For the Messiah to go to the earth, of course. God's last prophet, Malachi, finished writing his book, so now the Messiah can come! Isn't that great?

Ted: That IS great, but just because Malachi is finished writing his book doesn't mean the time is right for the Messiah to come.

Bob: What do you mean? The book's finished. End of story. Jesus can go down to the earth. That's gonna be so cool!

Ted: Yes, Jesus will be heading to earth in a few hundred years.

Bob: A few hundred years?? What's the delay?

Ted: You know what God says, "when the right time comes, He will send His son." So you see, God's planned it all. A lot of things have to happen first, and it's going to take a lot of time because there are a lot of people involved. For instance, it would be a lot easier to spread the word about the messiah if everyone spoke the same language, right?

Bob: That sounds good. So then the Messiah can come?

Ted: No. Without good roads it will be difficult for people to take the good news beyond Israel.

Bob: So with a common language and roads to travel, people can take the good news all over the world. That would be enough for the Messiah to come, right?

Ted: No, not quite! If countries are at war with each other it won't be safe for people to go to other cities to share the good news.

Bob: So after the language, and the roads, and peace in the area, then the Messiah can come?

Ted: Well, there are a few other details that have to be ironed first.

Bob: Man, this is gonna take forever.

- Ted: Look, God's timing is always perfect. He will wait until everything is just the way it needs to be, and then he will send the Messiah at just the right time. We may not know exactly when He will go to earth, but we know that it will happen because God promised it. And God ALWAYS keeps his promises.
- Bob: Duh! That's right. So what did God say again?
- Ted: "When the right time comes, God will send His son." So what do you want to do while we wait?
- Bob: (turning to exit) Well, let's start off with the cafeteria. I'm starved. I hear there's macaroni and cheese today.
- Ted: I think I want some angel food cake!