

## *Jesus' Appointment Of The "Slave Over His Belongings" Is Yet Future?*

---

The "Slave" 19 Centuries Later w04/3/1 A "Slave" Who Is Both Faithful and Discreet

**16** What about today? When Jesus' presence began in 1914, did he find a group of anointed Christians who were faithfully dispensing food at the proper time? He certainly did. This group could be clearly identified because of the fine fruitage that it was producing. (Matthew 7:20) History since then has proved this identification to be correct.

**17** At the time of Jesus' arrival, some 5,000 domestics were busy spreading Bible truth. The workers were few, but the slave used a number of ingenious methods to spread the good news. (Matthew 9:38) For example, arrangements were made for sermons on Bible topics to be published in up to 2,000 newspapers. In this way, the truth of God's Word reached tens of thousands of readers at once. In addition, an eight-hour program combining color slides and motion pictures was prepared. Thanks to this innovative presentation, the Bible's message, from the beginning of Creation to the end of the Thousand Year Reign of Christ, was conveyed to audiences totaling over nine million on three continents. Printed literature was another avenue that was used. In 1914, for example, some 50,000 copies of this journal were published.

**18** Yes, when the Master arrived, he found his faithful slave conscientiously feeding the domestics as well as preaching the good news. Greater responsibilities now awaited that slave. Jesus said: "Truly I say to you, He will appoint him over all his belongings." (Matthew 24:47) Jesus did this in 1919, after the slave had passed through a period of testing. Why, though, did "the faithful and discreet slave" receive greater responsibilities? Because the Master had received an increase in his belongings. Jesus was given the kingship in 1914.

**Annual Meeting Report, Oct 6, 2012 --- "Food at the Proper Time"**

<http://www.jw.org/en/news/events-activities/annual-meeting-report-2012/>

**When Does Jesus Appoint the Slave "Over All His Belongings"?**

Jesus said that the "master on arriving" (literally, "having come") will appoint the slave "over all his belongings." When does the Master, Jesus, arrive?

The expression translated “on arriving” is a form of the Greek word er’kho•mai. Verses 42 and 44 of chapter 24 translate a form of er’kho•mai as “coming.” In those verses, Jesus is referring to his coming as Judge \*during the great tribulation.—Matthew 24:30; 25:31, 32.

**Jesus’ appointment of the “slave” over his “belongings,” then, must also be a future event.** He will make that appointment \*during the great tribulation.

**Matt 12:25 NWT [Jesus] knowing their thoughts, he said to them:** “Every kingdom divided against itself comes to desolation, and every city or house [the Watchtower organization] divided against itself will not stand.

The Watchtower's long standing, false claim to be the appointed slave (the faithful slaves are appointed at Jesus' return \*"during" the Great Tribulation) is now announced by the Watchtower as a future event. It is clear for all to see from their own contradiction of events that it makes them a liar and all those who really love the TRUTH will see it also. No organization on earth can claim to be the appointed slaves because the Great Tribulation is yet a future event. Jesus' second coming is at the end of the Great Tribulation as recorded in Revelation chapter 19.

\*Knowing that the Scripture says **after the tribulation**, why would Watchtower leaders say \*during? There is only one conclusion: They added or changed it to purposely mislead their followers. The Watchtower also claims that one "appointment" took place in 1919 and the other is yet future. According to the context of Matt 24:42;43;44 the word "coming" is always referring to the Lord's coming **after the tribulation**, and so is the rewarding of the slaves (slaves plural for there are many, see also Matt 25 and Luke 12:37) is the ONE event that takes place when the Lord arrives **after the tribulation**. The slaves are identified and rewarded at the same time—**after the tribulation** (yet future) when the Lord arrives or comes, for each of these words describe the same action.

\* NWT Matt 24:29-30 **“Immediately after the tribulation** of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. 30 And then the sign of the Son of man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will beat themselves in lamentation, and they will see the Son of man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.