## Spirituality through the Liturgical Seasons (4) — The third kind of coming

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Every Advent, the Church reminds us of two meanings of the season. One is the commemoration of the birth of Jesus, the son of God, and His entry into history. The second is awaiting for the coming again of Christ in the last days, marking the end of history. In addition, the medieval spiritual master St Bernard of Clairvaux offers us a third perspective: the daily coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Not only our Lord Jesus entered the world, completing His mission in history, He visits the Church in person every day for you and me. Are we ready to respond to Him like the Blessed Virgin Mary, 'Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.' (Luke 1:38)?

When we are willingly to let the Lord's will fulfilled in us, we are ready to receive His coming. This is a lesson for every believer. We are not passively waiting for miracles from above to come but be always aware and ready to be suitable vessel for the Lord to use.

## Meditation:

- 1. In this season of Advent, have you made room for the Lord, allowing Him to come to you every day? How does His coming influence you? How do you identify His coming?
- 2. Are you willingly to let the Lord's will fulfilled in you? What does this mean?
- 3. The Lord visits His Church every day. How should the Church prepare herself to be His lively vessel to help people greet Him in their lives?