

“Parousia” means:

- presence
- the coming, arrival, advent
- the future visible return from heaven of Jesus, to raise the dead, hold the last judgment, and set up formally and gloriously the kingdom of God
- Wikipedia:
 - **Parousia** ([/pəˈruːziə/](#); [Greek](#): παρουσία) is an [ancient Greek](#) word meaning presence, arrival, or official visit
 - From the Ptolemaic period to the second century of the common era "parousia" was used in the East as a technical expression to denote the arrival or visit of a king or emperor, and celebrated the glory of the sovereign publicly. In memory of the visit of Emperor [Nero](#) to the cities of [Patras](#) and [Corinth](#), advent coins were struck that carried the legend *Adventus Augusti Corinth*. The Greek word parousia here corresponded to the Latin word advent. The numerous journeyings of the Emperor [Hadrian](#) were celebrated by many advent coins, and often new eras were reckoned from date of the parousia.^[3]
 - *Physical presence, arrival* – The main use is the physical presence of a person,^[4] the prospect of the physical arrival of that person,^[5] especially the visit of a royal or official personage^[6] and sometimes as an extension of this usage, a formal "occasion".^[7] In astrological usage it refers to the presence of a planet at a point on the zodiac.^[8]
 - *Property* – A less common and distinct secondary meaning is to refer to a person's material substance, property, or inheritance,^[9] including contribution in money.^[10]

1 Thessalonians 4:17 –

NIV -

After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever.

New Living Translation -

Then, together with them, we who are still alive and remain on the earth will be caught up in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. Then we will be with the Lord forever.

English Standard Version -

Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord.

Interlinear -

1899 [e]	1473 [e]	3588 [e]	2198 [e]	3588 [e]	4035 [e]	260 [e]	4862 [e]	846 [e]	726 [e]	1722 [e]		
epeita	hēmeis	hoi	zōntes	hoi	perileipomenoi	hama	syn	autois	harpagēsometha	en		
17 ἔπειτα	ἡμεῖς	οἱ	ζῶντες	οἱ	περιλειπόμενοι	, ἅμα	σὺν	αὐτοῖς	, ἀρπαγησόμεθα	ἐν		
Then	we	the	living	-	remaining	together	with	them	will be caught away	in		
Adv	Pro-N1P	Art-NMP	V-PPA-NMP	Art-NMP	V-PPM/P-NMP	Adv	Prep	Pro-DM3P	V-FIP-1P	Prep		
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nephelais	eis	apantēsin	tou	Kyriou	eis	aera	kai	houtōs	pantote	syn	Kyriō	esometha
νεφέλαις	εἰς	ἀπάντησιν	τοῦ	Κυρίου	εἰς	ἄερα	; καὶ	οὕτως	πάντοτε	σὺν	Κυρίῳ	ἐσόμεθα .
[the] clouds	for	[the] meeting	of the	Lord	in	[the] air	and	so	always	with	[the] Lord	we will be
N-DFP	Prep	N-AFS	Art-GMS	N-GMS	Prep	N-AMS	Conj	Adv	Adv	Prep	N-DMS	V-FIM-1P

1. “will be caught away” – *harpagesometha* –
2. “meeting” – *apantesin* – means “a meeting”
 - a. the act of meeting, to meet (a phrase seemingly almost technical for the reception of a newly arrived official)
 - b. Matthew 25:6 – “But at midnight there was a cry, ‘Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ ”
 - c. Acts 28:15 – “And the brothers there, when they heard about us, came as far as the Forum of Appius and Three Taverns to meet us. On seeing them, Paul thanked God and took courage.”