

**"THE END OF
THE
WORLD"**

**A SURVEY OF
MATTHEW 24**

The Mount Of Olives



Significant Events At The Mount Of Olives

A. Christ's "Triumphant" Entry – Matthew 21

B. This Message – The Olivet Discourse

C. The Night of Betrayal – Matthew 26

D. The Ascension of Christ – Acts 1

E. The Second Coming Of Christ – Zechariah 14:3

Luke 22:39

And he came out, and went, as he was wont, to the mount of Olives; and his disciples also followed him.

I. A Question (24:1-3)

Matthew 24:1-3

1 And Jesus went out, and departed from the temple: and his disciples came to him for to shew him the buildings of the temple.

2 And Jesus said unto them, See ye not all these things? verily I say unto you, There shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.

3 And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?

I. A Question (24:1-3)

**They Are Expecting
Christ To Establish
His Earthly Kingdom**

II. Do Not Be Fooled (24:4)

Matthew 24:4

And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you.

Previous Prophecy

Daniel 9:24-27

24 Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy.

25 Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.

Previous Prophecy

Daniel 9:24-27 - continued

26 And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.

27 And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

Previous Prophecy

Sevenieth Week = Seven Year Tribulation

III. Understand The Signs (24:5-7)

Matthew 24:5-7

5 For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.

6 And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet.

7 For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.

III. Understand The Signs (24:5-7)

Ephesians 5:15

**See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but
as wise,**

1 John 2:18

**Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard
that antichrist shall come, even now are there many
antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time.**

IV. Understand My Answer (24:8-31)

A. Perseverance Required (24:8-14)

Matthew 24:8-14

8 All these are the beginning of sorrows.

9 Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake.

10 And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another.

11 And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many.

12 And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.

IV. Understand My Answer (24:8-31)

A. Perseverance Required (24:8-14)

Matthew 24:8-14 – continued

13 But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.

14 And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.

IV. Understand My Answer (24:8-31)

B. Perception Demanded (24:15-29)

Matthew 24:15-29

15 When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)

Daniel's 70th Week

(A Seven Year Period, One Week = Seven Years)

"in the midst
of the week"
Dan. 9:27 →

Great
Tribulation
(Matt. 24:21)

← 3 and 1/2 years →

← 3 and 1/2 years →

A Covenant
(Peace Treaty)
is made
(Daniel 9:27)

The Covenant
is broken
(Daniel 9:27)
"Abomination of
Desolation"
(Matthew 24:15)

"after the tribulation of
those days" Christ the
Messiah will return
(Matthew 24:29-30)

IV. Understand My Answer (24:8-31)

B. Perception Demanded (24:15-29)

Matthew 24:15-29 - continued

16 Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains:

17 Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house:

18 Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes.

19 And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days!

20 But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day:

IV. Understand My Answer (24:8-31)

B. Perception Demanded (24:15-29)

Matthew 24:15-29 - continued

21 For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

22 And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.

23 Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not.

24 For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.

IV. Understand My Answer (24:8-31)

B. Perception Demanded (24:15-29)

Matthew 24:15-29 - continued

25 Behold, I have told you before.

26 Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not.

IV. Understand My Answer (24:8-31)

B. Perception Demanded (24:15-29)

Matthew 24:15-29 - continued

27 For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

28 For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together.

29 Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken:

IV. Understand My Answer (24:8-31)

C. Promise Fulfilled (24:30-31)

Matthew 24:30-31

30 And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

31 And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other

V. Three Object Lessons (24:32-51)

A. The Parable of The Fig Tree (24:32-35)

Matthew 24:32-35

32 Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh:

33 So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors.

34 Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled.

35 Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away.

The Certainty Of “These Things”

V. Three Object Lessons (24:32-51)

B. The Example of the Days Of Noah (24:36-44)

Matthew 24:36-44

36 But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.

37 But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

38 For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark,

39 And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

V. Three Object Lessons (24:32-51)

B. The Example of the Days Of Noah (24:36-44)

Matthew 24:36-44 - continued

40 Then shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

41 Two women shall be grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

V. Three Object Lessons (24:32-51)

B. The Example of the Days Of Noah (24:36-44)

Matthew 24:36-44 - continued

42 Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.

43 But know this, that if the goodman of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up.

44 Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.

The Suddenness Of The Second Coming Of Christ

V. Three Object Lessons (24:32-51)

C. The Example of the Two Servants (24:45-51)

Matthew 24:45-51

45 Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his lord hath made ruler over his household, to give them meat in due season?

46 Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing.

47 Verily I say unto you, That he shall make him ruler over all his goods.

V. Three Object Lessons (24:32-51)

C. The Example of the Two Servants (24:42-51)

Matthew 24:42-51 - continued

**48 But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart,
My lord delayeth his coming;**

**49 And shall begin to smite his fellowservants, and to
eat and drink with the drunken;**

**50 The lord of that servant shall come in a day when
he looketh not for him, and in an hour that he is not
aware of,**

**51 And shall cut him asunder, and appoint him his
portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping
and gnashing of teeth.**

The Necessity of Faithfulness Now

**Have You Accepted
Christ's Offer Of
Salvation?**