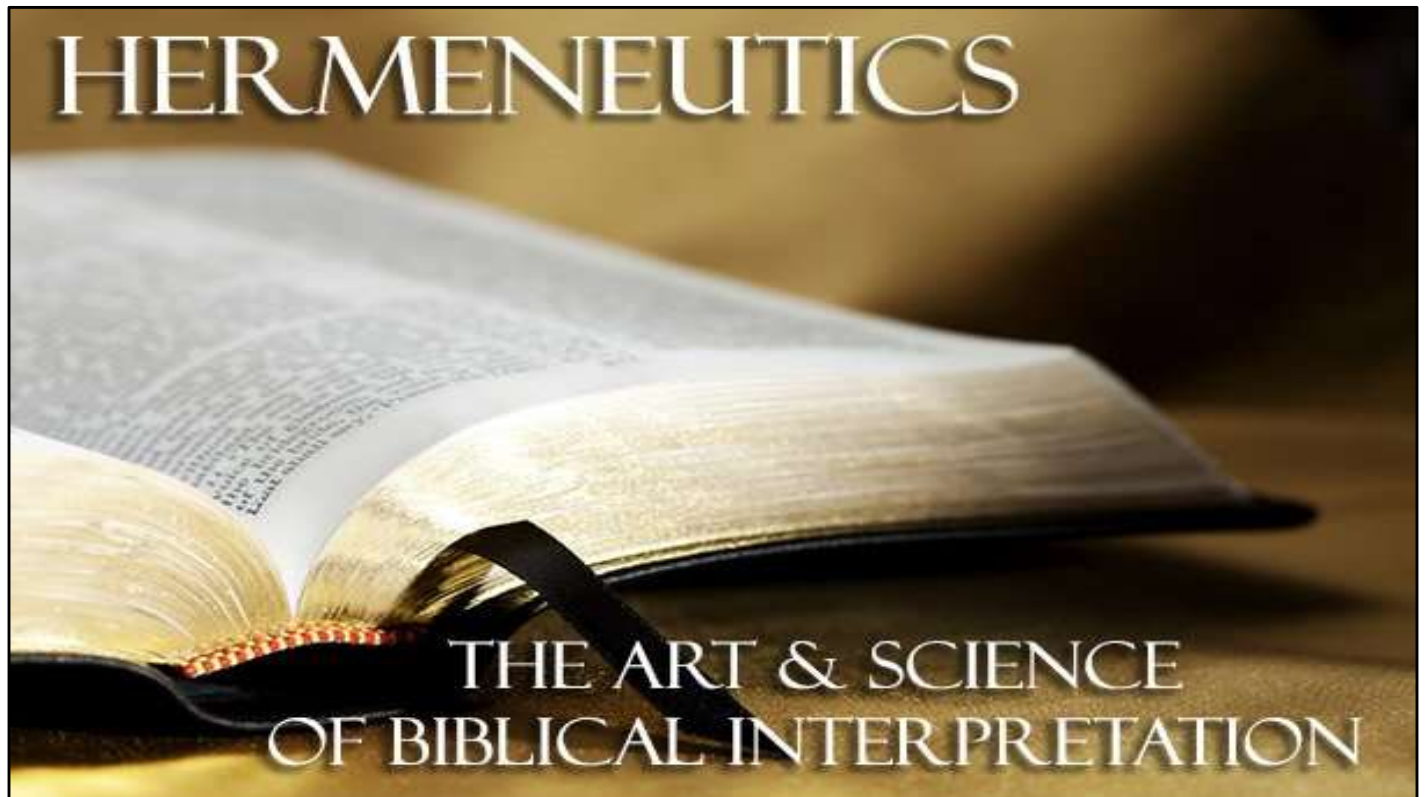


The Olivet Discourse

Part 2 – Sunday School
Background and Luke's Account





Ultimately, there are two groups of people:

BELIEVERS & UNBELIEVERS

John 5:29

*And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the
resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the
resurrection of damnation*

Abel, Noah, Enoch – were all men of faith

Abraham, Moses, David, Elijah, Jeremiah – were all men of faith who were Jewish

Timothy, Titus, Cornelius, Aquila and Priscilla, Peter Muhlenberg, Paul Blair - Ekklessia

1 Corinthians 10:32

*Give none offence, neither to the **Jews**, nor to the **Gentiles**, nor to the **church** of God:*

Gentiles

– Genesis 1-11

Jews – Genesis 12 - Acts 1

Church – Acts 2 – Revelation 4:1

Jews – Revelation 6 - 19

Apostle Paul, 25 years after the resurrection, still identified three people groups.

Outline of Bible



Having the Bible divided by Old and New Testament is misleading. The only Bible the church had for two decades was the OT. It is ONE revelation from God.

Like diagraming a sentence, remember who was being addressed in Scripture.

- All Scripture is FOR our benefit, but not all of it was written TO US.
- We learn from the story of Noah, but we don't build literal arks. We learn from Adam, but we aren't forbidden from eating any specific fruit.

AGE OF MESSIAH

- **Ps 2:6-9** Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion. I will declare the decree: the Lord hath said unto me, Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee. Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession. Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.
- **Isa 9:6-7** For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this.
- **Luke 1:30-33** And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God. And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.
- **Isa 2:2-4** And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it. And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

After the flood, God chose Israel to be His nation through which He would rule the world. He foretold of His King who would rule and reign from the Throne of David. (Ps. 2, Is. 9:6, Luke 1, Isaiah 11)

Creation	4000 BC
Global Flood	2500 BC
Abraham's Call	2000 BC
The Exodus	1500 BC
The Judges	1450 BC
Kingdom Years	1050 BC
Divided Kingdom	930 BC
Assyria captures North	722 BC
Babylon Captures South	606 BC

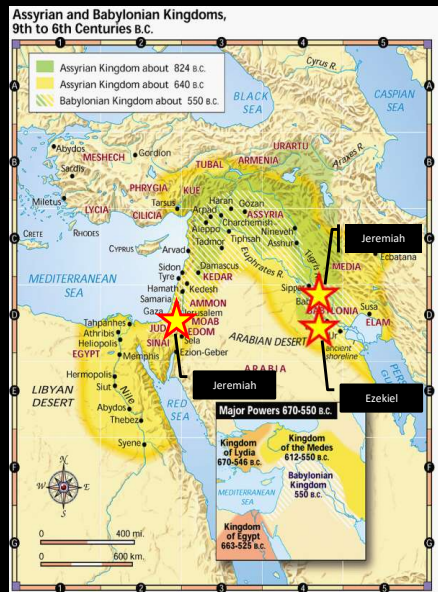
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Assyrians - 722



Three Conquests Three Prophets

606BC – **Daniel** taken to Babylon

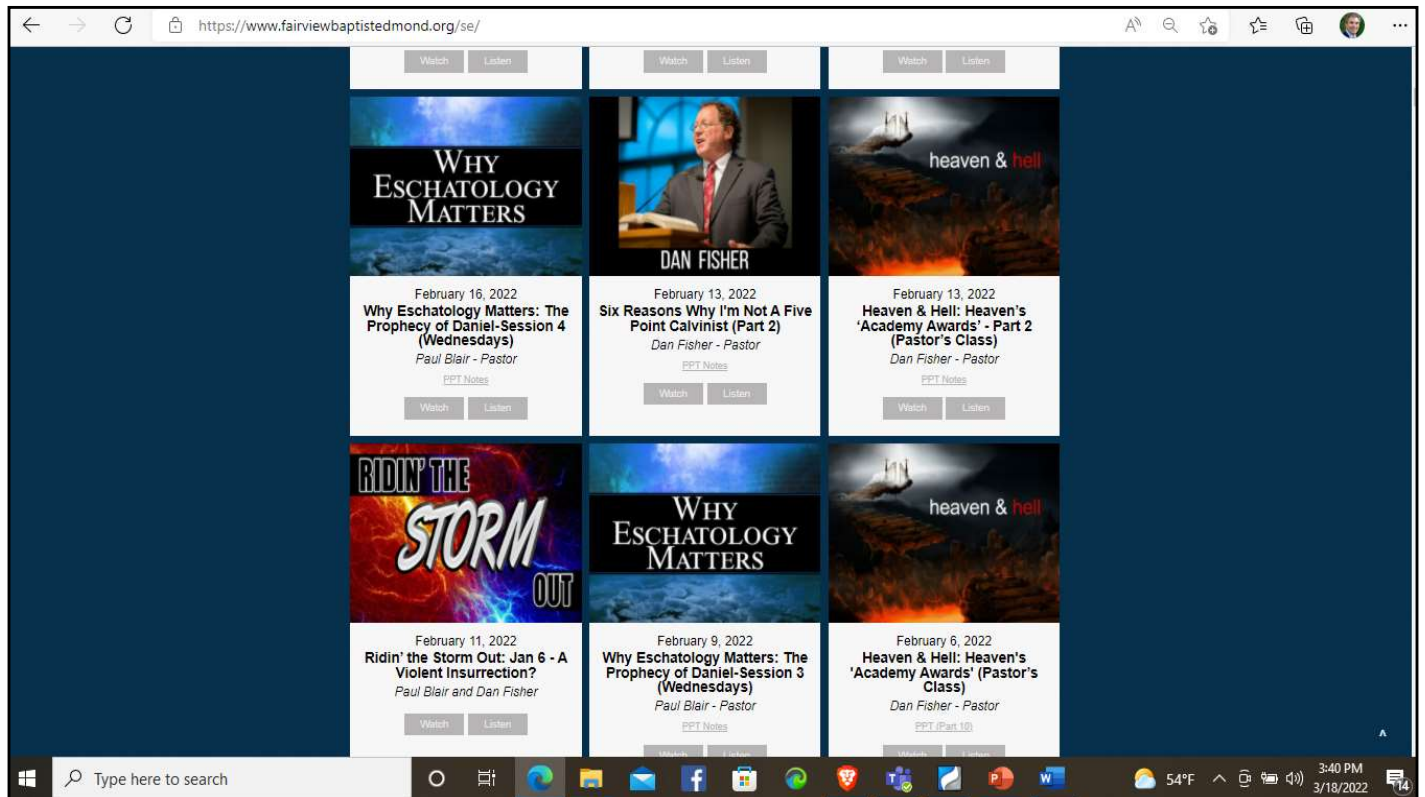
597BC - **Ezekiel** take to Tel Aviv

Ezekiel called about 592BC.

586BC – Jerusalem destroyed (**Jeremiah**)



Israel was driven out of the land, but God will keep His promises. God's timeline and His focus is outlined in Daniel 2, 7 and 9.



I would invite you to visit our website. I am teaching a series on eschatology on Wednesday nights that is quite detailed. We will be in our 7th session this next Wednesday.



Dan 9:26-27

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.

The Olivet Discourse is one of the most important passages in the Bible because it is Jesus Himself teaching about these judgments mentioned by Daniel – the destruction of the Temple AND the desolation of the Temple.

Two Views on the Tribulation

Preterist

- The Olivet Discourse and the Book of Revelation were fulfilled in the conquest of Jerusalem in 70 AD.
- God is done with Israel.
- Israel today is a fraud. The Church has replaced Israel.
- No rapture, no millennium, no anti-christ, no tribulation.
- Christ's Second Coming is only spiritual and not literal.

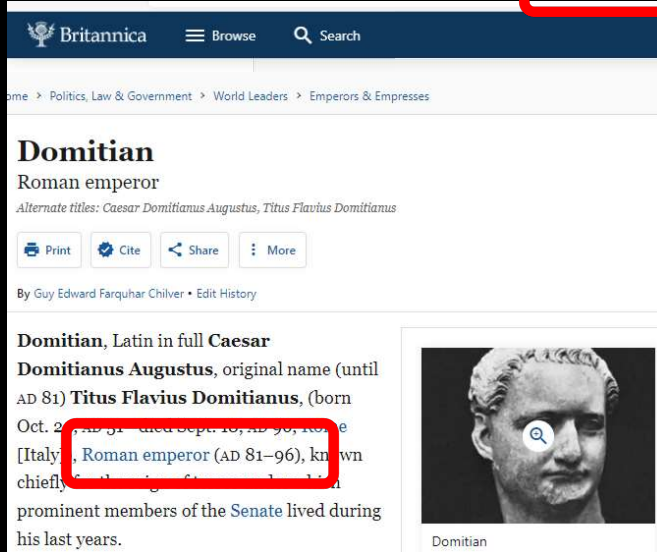
Futurist

- The Seventieth Week of Daniel (detailed in Revelation) is yet future.
- God will keep His promises to Israel.
- The Church is distinct from the Nation of Israel.
- Literal rapture, millennium, anti-christ and tribulation.
- The Kingdom of Heaven promised by God to Abraham, Daniel, etc., is a literal Kingdom on Earth.

When was Revelation written?

Preterist – Written prior to 70 AD describing the fall of Jerusalem.

Futurist – Written around 90-95 AD describing the 70th Week of Daniel



Against Heresies (A.D. 180-199), Book V, Chapter 30:

We will not, however, incur the risk of pronouncing positively as to the name of Antichrist; for if it were necessary that his name should be distinctly revealed in this present time, it would have been announced by him who beheld the apocalyptic vision. For that was seen no very long time since, but almost in our day, towards the end of Domitian's reign.

Polycarp ➡ Irenaeus

Is Revelation future or was it fulfilled in 70 AD?

We have one extra biblical source who can answer any question.

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**Mark Hitchcock &
Hank Hanegraaff**
*debate on the timing of
the writing of
Revelation*



One Thousand Years of Shabbat

By: Mois Navon

R. Katina said, "Six thousand years the world will exist and one [thousand, the seventh], it shall be desolate (*haruv*), as it is written, 'And the Lord **alone** shall be exalted in that day' (Isa. 2:11).¹ ... R. Katina also taught, "Just as the seventh year is one year of release (*mushmetet*) in seven, so too does the world have one thousand years out of seven that are fallow (*mushmat*), as it is written, 'And the Lord **alone** shall be exalted in that day' (Isa. 2:11); and further it is written, 'A psalm and song for the Shabbat day' (Ps. 92:1) – meaning the day that is altogether Shabbat – and also it is said, 'For a thousand years in Thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past' (Ps. 90:4)."²

*Sanhedrin 97a*³

Traditional Judaism believes in a literal Kingdom on earth - Jewish Talmud

Replacement Theology became the position of the Church during the time of Augustine (A.D. 354-430), who popularized it in his book *The City of God*. Initially Augustine claimed that he was a Chiliast, the belief in the literal thousand year reign of Christ on the earth, the basic view of Premillennialism today. Having come to the conclusion that this view was "inferior" and "carnal," he adopted the position that the reign of Christ should be much more "spiritual" and it would occur during this present Church Age. His spiritualizing method, of course, eliminated true Israel and the losing of all the promises God made to the Jewish nation, which he viewed as now being fulfilled within the Church.

What Did The Apostolic Church Believe?

Almost all students of the early church agree that Premillennialism, or Chiliasm, was the most widely held view of the apostolic church. Philip Schaff, the noted authority on church history writes,

"The most striking point in the eschatology of the ante-Nicene Age [A.D. 100-325] is the prominent chiliasm, or millenarianism, . . . a widely current opinion of distinguished teachers, such as Barnabas, Papias, Justin Martyr, Irenaeus, Tertullian, Methodius, and Lactantius" (Philip Schaff, *History of the Christian Church*. New York: Scribner, 1884, Vol. 2, p. 614).

Premillennialism began to die out in the established Catholic Church during the time of Augustine, though it has always survived as a Church doctrine.

<http://www.messianicassociation.org/ezone17-at.replacement-theology.htm>

— Revelation 20:4-6

Thus, John of Patmos characterizes a millennium where Christ and the Father will rule over a theocracy of the righteous. While there are a kingdom of God throughout the Old and New Testaments, this is the only reference in the Bible to such a period lasting one thousand years.

Early church [\[edit\]](#)

During the first centuries after Christ, various forms of **chiliasm** (millennialism) were to be found in the Church, both East and West.^[4] It was a decidedly majority view at that time, as admitted by Eusebius, himself an opponent of the doctrine:

The same writer (that is to say, Papias of Hierapolis) gives also other accounts which he says came to him through

unwritten tradition, certain strange parables and teachings of the Saviour, and some other more mythical things. To these

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Millennialism>

The early church believed in the literal interpretation of the reign of Christ.

Not until the 4th Century in Augustine's work, "City of God" that Christianity began to allegorize the Bible rather than take it literally. You can understand this error. Israel had not existed for several centuries. The state Church was now exalted by Rome rather than persecuted.

If after 2000 years, Israel becomes a nation, if Jerusalem becomes a city which all the nations of the world argue over, if you see a rise toward global government, if you see a push towards controlling all trade through receiving some kind of mark, then you may want to rethink whether you believe this is literal or not.



The Different Accounts give One Complete Presentation

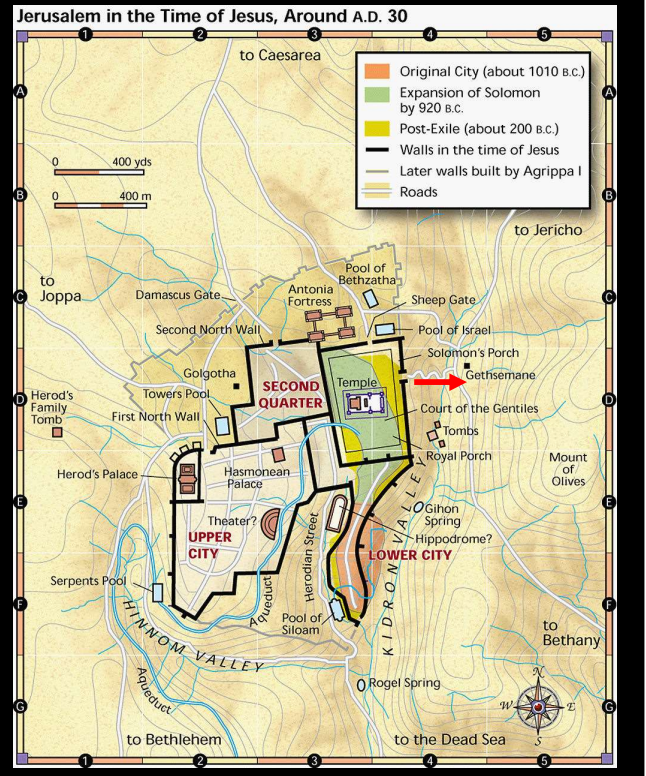
- **Matthew 21:29** – *“departed from Jericho...two blind men...’Have mercy on us son of David...”*
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- **Luke 18:35**— *“...he was come nigh unto Jericho, a certain blind man sat by the way side begging...Jesus, thou Son of David, have mercy on me...”*



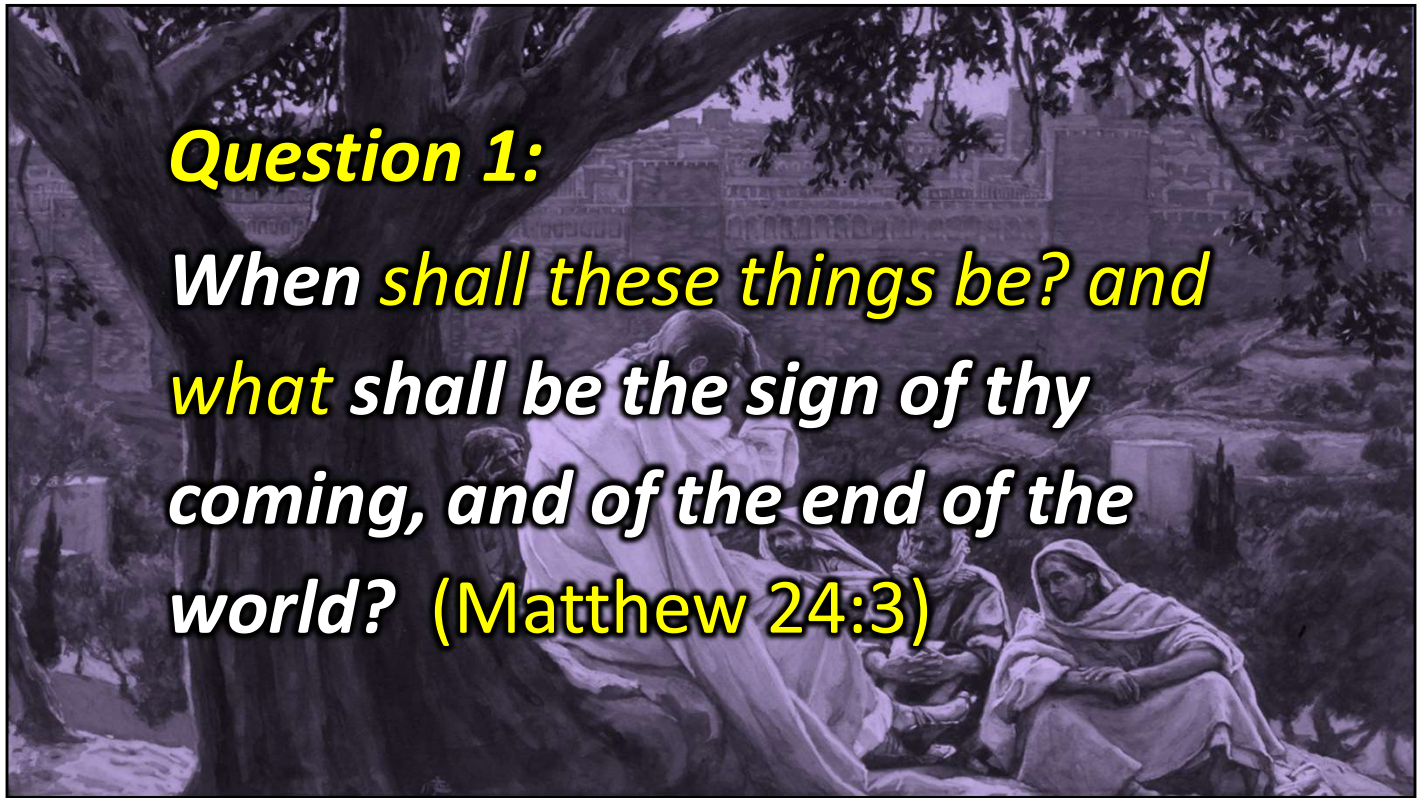
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***“Ye shall not see me henceforth,
till ye shall say, Blessed is he that
cometh in the name of the Lord.”***







Question 1:

When shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world? (Matthew 24:3)

Question 2:

And as some spake of the temple, how it was adorned with goodly stones and gifts, he said, As for these things which ye behold, the days will come, in the which there shall not be left one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down. And they asked him, saying, Master, but when shall these things be? and what sign will there be when these things shall come to pass?

(Luke 21:5-7)

Luke

Matthew

Luke 21:12

But **before all these**, they shall lay their hands on you, and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues, and into prisons, being brought before kings and rulers for my name's sake.

False Christs , Famines,
Earthquakes, Pestilence, war

Matt 24:9-10

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.

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

Jesus comes in power and
glory. Every eye SEES Him.

Luke

(20-23) And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh. Then let them which are in Judaea flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto. For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled. But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, in those days!

**False Christs , Famines,
Earthquakes, Pestilence, war**

Matthew

(15-20) 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) Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains: Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house: Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes. And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days! But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day:

**Jesus comes in power and
glory. Every eye SEES Him.**

Luke

Luke 21:23-24

...for there shall be great distress in the land, and wrath upon this people.

And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled. *(Daniel 2)*

False Christs , Famines,
Earthquakes, Pestilence, war

Matthew

Matt 24:21-22

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

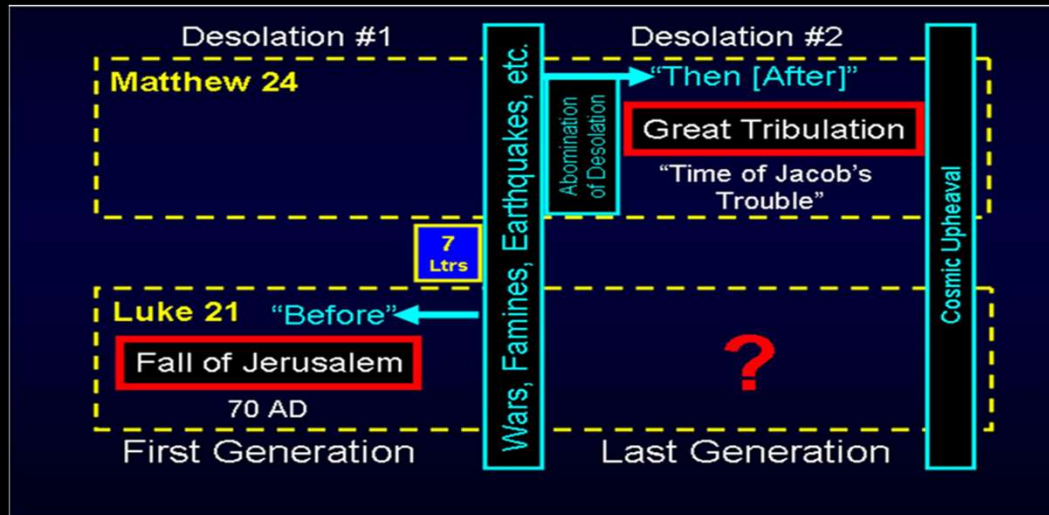
And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.

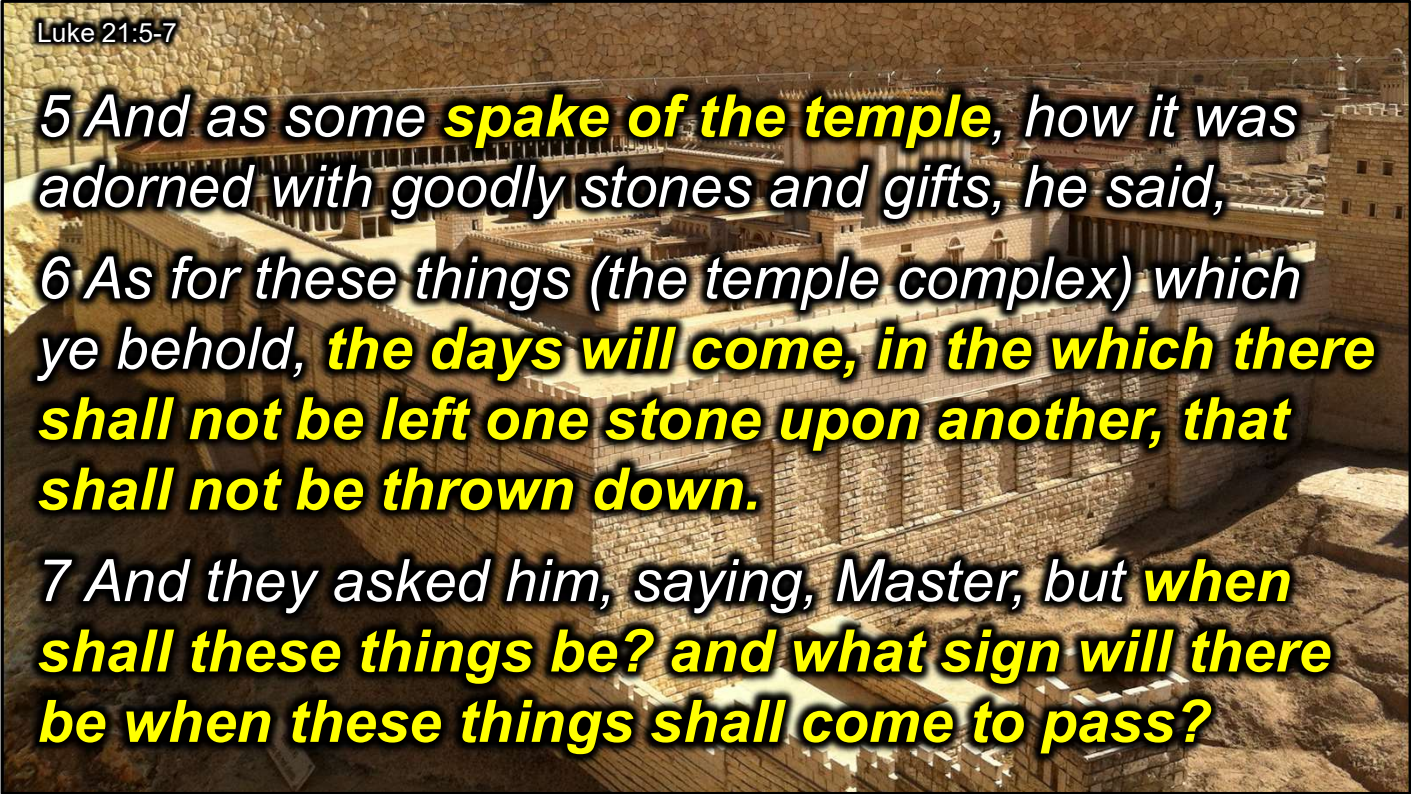
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The Complete Discourse on the Mt. of Olives

Luke: Emphasizes the destruction of the Temple and the Persecution of the Jews which would take place in 70 AD

Matthew: Emphasizes the Abomination of Desolation and the Persecution of the Jews at the end of the Age when Christ returns.





Luke 21:5-7

5 And as some **spake of the temple**, how it was adorned with goodly stones and gifts, he said,

6 As for these things (the temple complex) which ye behold, **the days will come, in the which there shall not be left one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.**

7 And they asked him, saying, Master, but **when shall these things be? and what sign will there be when these things shall come to pass?**



Luke 21:10-12

Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom:

¹¹ And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven.

¹² ***But before all these...***



Luke 21:12-19

12 ...they shall lay their hands on you, and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues, and into prisons, being brought before kings and rulers for my name's sake.

13 And it shall turn to you for a testimony.

14 Settle it therefore in your hearts, not to meditate before what ye shall answer:

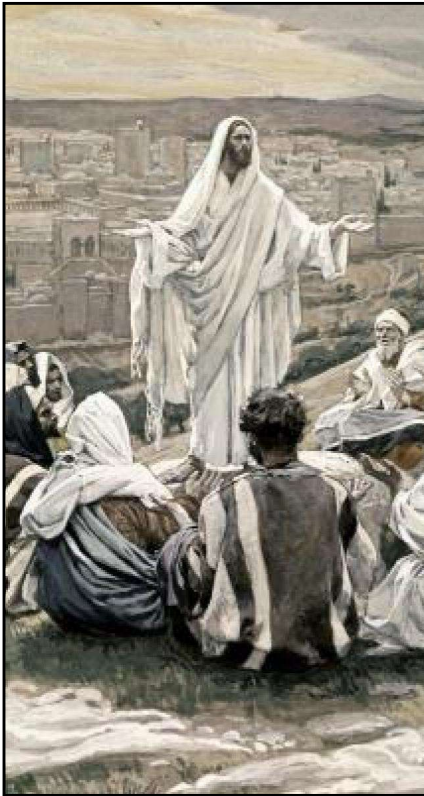
15 For I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which all your adversaries shall not be able to gainsay nor resist.

16 And ye shall be betrayed both by parents, and brethren, and kinsfolks, and friends; and some of you shall they cause to be put to death.

17 And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake.

18 But there shall not an hair of your head perish.

19 In your patience possess ye your souls.



Luke 21:20-21

- ²⁰ **And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies**, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh.
- ²¹ Then let **them which are in Judaea** flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto.

“Ye” – obviously didn’t mean Peter, Andrew, James and John as they weren’t in Jerusalem when this happened. In fact, three were dead. Jesus is addressing the Jewish people.



Luke 21:22-23

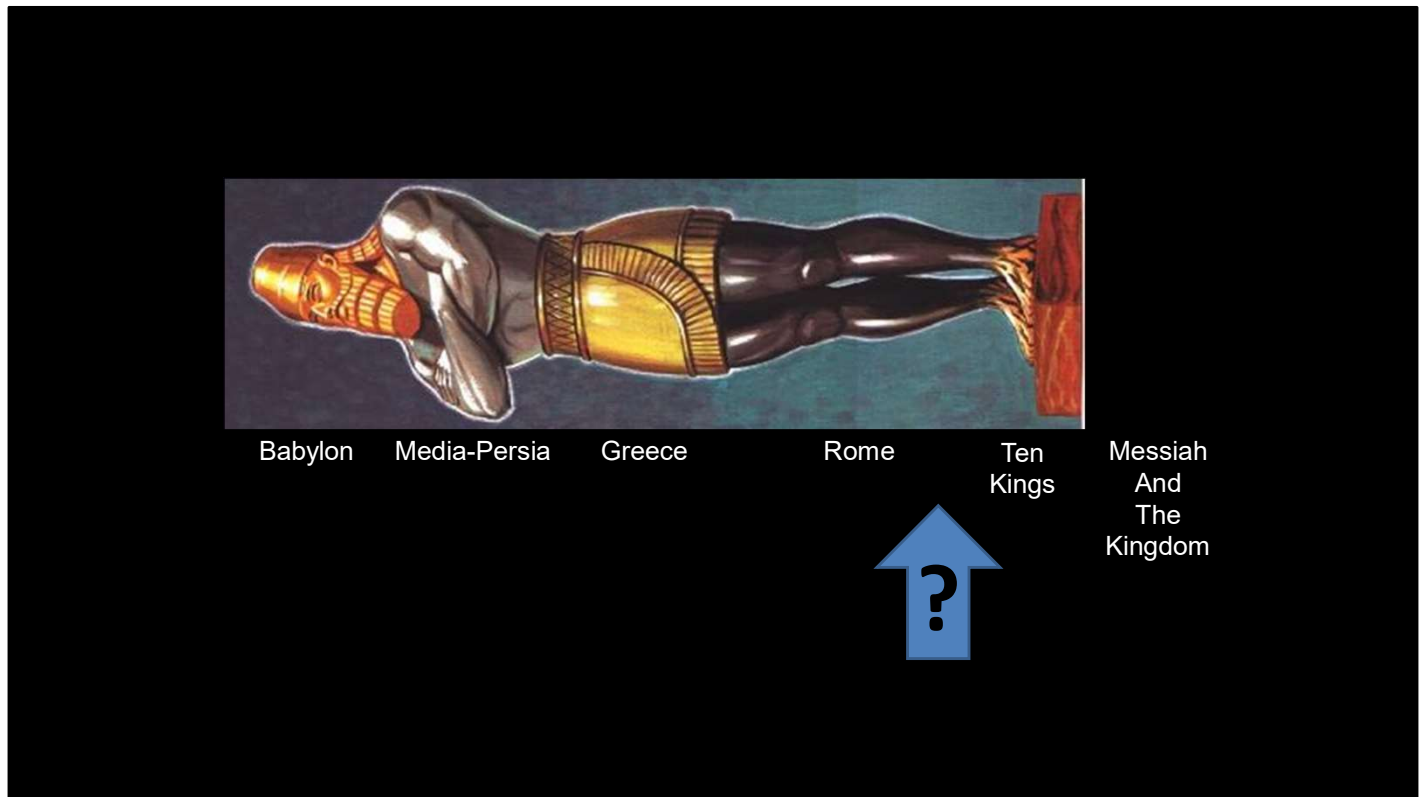
²² For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.

²³ But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, in those days! for **there shall be great distress in the land** (haeretz – Israel), and **wrath upon this people**.



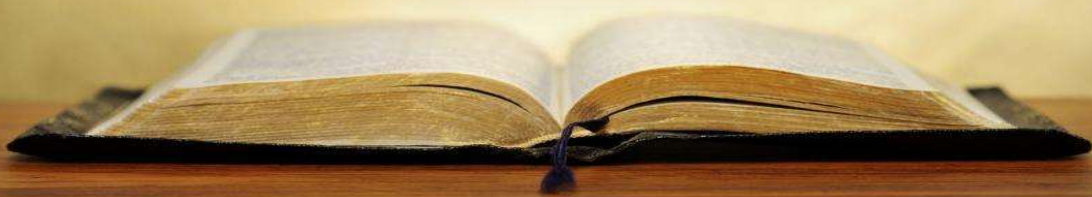
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And **they** (this people) shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and **Jerusalem shall be trodden down** of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.



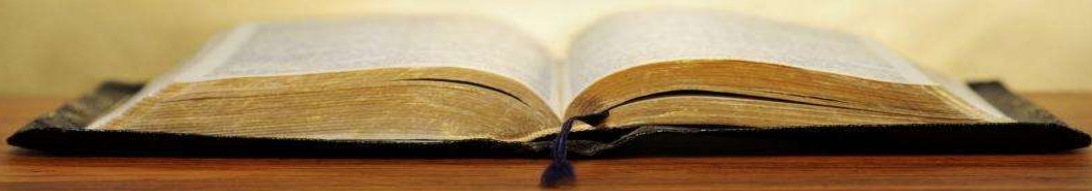
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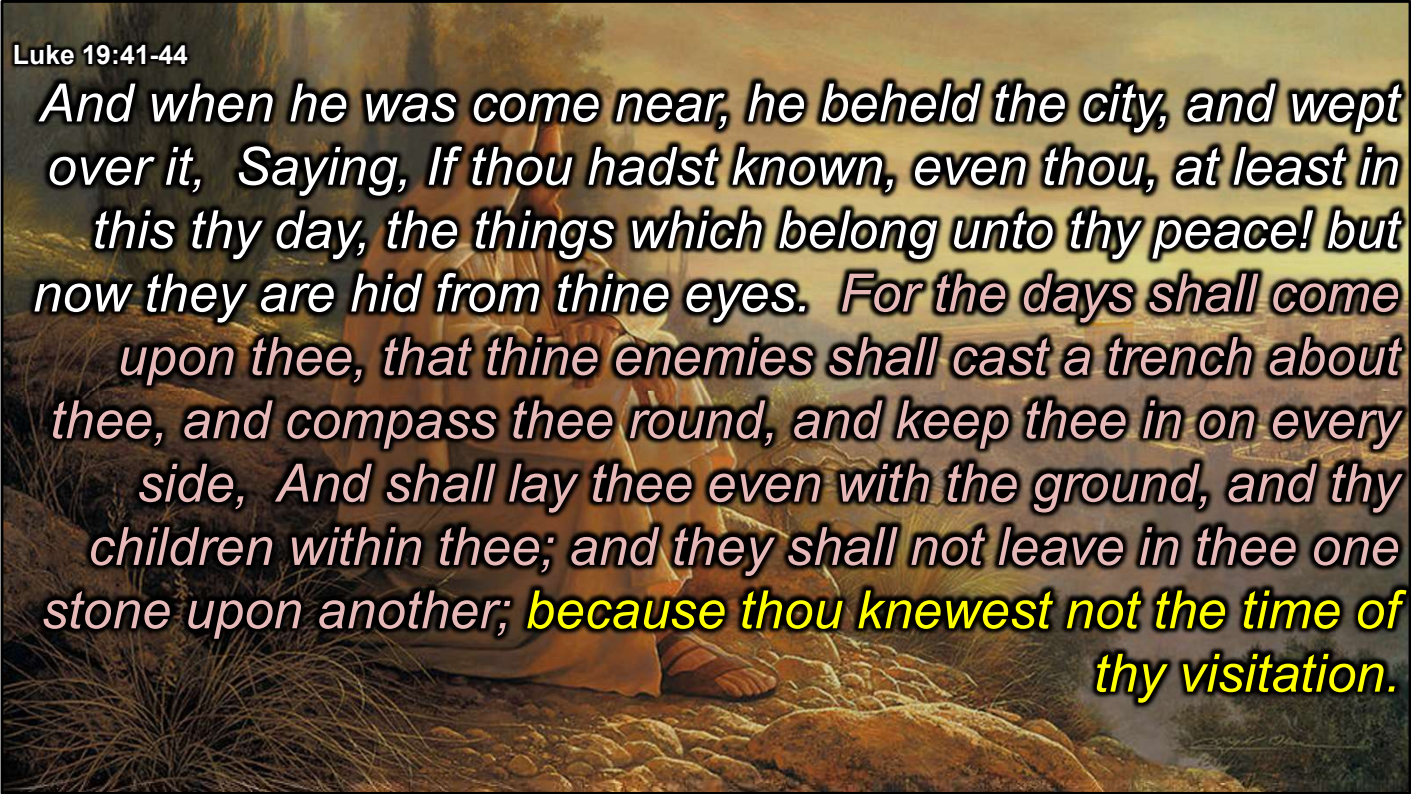
⁹ *Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: he is just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass.*



Dan 9:26

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.*





Luke 19:41-44

*And when he was come near, he beheld the city, and wept over it, Saying, If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things which belong unto thy peace! but now they are hid from thine eyes. For the days shall come upon thee, that thine enemies shall cast a trench about thee, and compass thee round, and keep thee in on every side, And shall lay thee even with the ground, and thy children within thee; and they shall not leave in thee one stone upon another; **because thou knewest not the time of thy visitation.***



Contrasts in Olivet Discourse

Luke

- Before these things
- Focus of Luke is local, the destruction of the Temple.
- Luke's focus is the distress in the land of Judaea and the continuation of Jerusalem being trodden underfoot by the Gentiles.
- The warning to flee in Luke revolves around Jerusalem being surrounded by an invading army.

Matthew

- After these things
- Matthew focuses on signs of Christ's coming and the end of the age.
- Matthew speaks of tribulation spanning all of the world and "no flesh being saved."
- The focus in Matthew is the Abomination of Desolations of which Daniel foretold.





