

Matt 24:1-14

The Olivet Discourse: “I’m Coming Back”

Matt 24:1 Jesus left the temple and was walking away when his disciples came up to him to call his attention to its buildings. 2 "Do you see all these things?" he asked. "I tell you the truth, not one stone here will be left on another; every one will be thrown down." 3 As Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately. "Tell us," they said, "when will this happen, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?" 4 Jesus answered: "Watch out (or take heed KJV) that no one deceives you. 5 For many will come in my name, claiming, 'I am the Christ,' and will deceive many. 6 You will hear of wars and rumors of wars, but see to it that you are not alarmed. Such things must happen, but the end is still to come. 7 Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be famines and earthquakes in various places. 8 All these are the beginning of birth pains. 9 "Then you will be handed over to be persecuted and put to death, and you will be hated by all nations because of me. 10 At that time many will turn away from the faith and will betray and hate each other, 11 and many false prophets will appear and deceive many people. 12 Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold, 13 but he who stands firm to the end will be saved. 14 And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come. NIV

- Mathew bracketed the Lord’s public ministry between two sermons. The Sermon on the Mount, which was _____ and the Olivet Discourse in which the emphasis was on the _____.
- It is the _____ of our Lord, directly from His own lips, about His return to earth in glory and power.
- The disciples were not learned men, and Jesus' purpose was to give them _____ and encouragement, not complexity and _____.
- The prophesy deals with the _____ of events of this age, and the parables will deal with the _____ of this age.

The Lord’s End Time _____

- The disciples saw it through the eyes of _____ and grandeur. The Lord saw it as soon to be _____. The Lord will reply to this in 3 ways.
1. A word of _____
Jesus says “take heed”, or pay real close _____.

- a. Take heed that no one leads you _____
If it's new, it _____ true.
- b. Take heed, for _____ teachers will usually have a persuasive personality that will entice you to follow them, or they will use fear to get you to follow.
- c. Take heed for man will use the temptation of _____ to lure you away.

2 Tim 3:1 But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days. 2 People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, 3 without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good, 4 treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God 5. having a form of godliness but denying its power. Have nothing to do with them.

2. A Word of _____

- Why do we mistake or misinterpret and miss scripture?
It's usually the folly of man, or the _____ of man.
- Just when you think you cannot endure any more, more may come for you to endure and God will stretch our _____.
- But in the Olivet discourse, Jesus makes clear that that fulfillment was in the _____.
- There are at least _____ indicators in the message.
 - i) The first indicator is _____. The great modern Jewish scholar Alfred Edersheim wrote, "Jewish writings speak very frequently of the labor pains of Messiah." So I believe he is talking about the second coming.
 - ii) The second indicator is found in Matt 24:13-14. Jesus speaks of believers who will endure the birth pains to the _____.
 - iii) A third indicator is the _____ proclamation of the gospel. The future worldwide declaration of which Jesus spoke will be _____ and instantaneous.

3. A Word of _____

- We are to _____ and seek, by _____, what God is doing. We must endure until he comes in the clouds.