

BOOK OF REVELATION – MATTHEW 24 IN REVELATION THE THINGS SEEN AND ARE AND WHAT SHALL TAKE PLACE

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DANIEL'S PROPHECIES IN REVELATION

Overview of the 4 Empires of in Daniel 2 and Daniel 7, leading to the Second Coming of Christ

Daniel 2, The Statue of 4 Empires with the 4th Empire of Iron and the 10 Iron Toe Kingdoms are crushed by the stone Jesus when He Comes, and then the Lord's Everlasting Kingdom will come.

Daniel 7, The 4 Beasts or 4 Empires with the 4th Empire with 10 Horns/Kings will arise and then a 11th King will arise and destroy 3 of 10 Kings, speak against God and persecute the saints, but will be destroyed.

Daniel 9, "Seventy weeks (490 years) have been decreed (by the Lord) for your (Daniel's) people (Israel) and (for) your (Daniel's) holy city (Jerusalem). Dan 9:24

After 7 weeks (49 years) (Jerusalem) will be built again, in times of distress.

Then 62 weeks (434 years) from a decree to rebuild Jerusalem, until Messiah the Prince .

Then at that time, the Messiah will be cut off or Killed.

Then the (Romans), of the prince (Antichrist) who is to come, will destroy (Jerusalem) and the Sanctuary.

Then in the 70th week he (Antichrist) will make a firm covenant with Israel for one week (7 years),

but in the middle of the week (3 ½ years) he (Antichrist) will put a stop to sacrifice and grain offering;

Hosea 3:4-5

4 For the sons of Israel will remain for many days without king or prince,

without sacrifice or sacred pillar and without ephod or household idols.

5 Afterward the sons of Israel will return and seek the LORD their God and David their king;

and they will come trembling to the LORD and to His goodness in the last days.

Old Testament and Gospels

Concerning the Nation of Israel,
the Physical Descendants of Abraham

Gen 12

John 21



Israel's Messiah Promised,
Psalm 2, Acts 13:33, Daniel 9:25-26
Israel's Redemption, Rise, and Fall
Israel's Curses, Blessings, and Promises

Under Mosaic Covenant

Israel's Messiah Comes
Not to Gentiles But to Lost
Sheep of Israel, Matt 10:5-6, 15:24
Israel Rejects her Messiah

Under Mosaic Covenant

Christ's Condemnation > of Israel's Leaders and their Guilt, Matt 23:1-39

- I. Christ's Condemnation > of Israel's Leaders and their Guilt, 23:1-39
 - A. This Evil and Adulterous, Generation of Israel, 12:39, 16:4
 - B. This Unbelieving and Perverted, Generation of Israel, 17:17
- II. Christ's 8 Woes to the Scribes and Pharisees > Israel's Leaders, 23:13-29
 - A. Woe - Because You Hypocrites shut off the Kingdom of Heaven from Men, 23:13
 - B. Woe - Because You Hypocrites Devour Widow's Houses, 23:14
 - C. Woe - Because You Hypocrites make Proselytes, twice a son of hell, 23:15
 - D. Woe - Because You Blind Guides Swear by Oath Falsely about the wrong things, 23:16-22, 5:33-37
 - E. Woe - Because You Hypocrites neglected the law, justice, mercy, and faithfulness, 23:23-24
 - F. Woe - Because You Hypocrites appear Clean, but are full of Robbery and self-indulgences, 23:25-26
 - G. Woe - Because You Hypocrites appear outwardly Righteous, but inwardly are Lawless, 23:27-28
 - H. Woe - Because You Hypocrites say you are not responsible for the killing of the Prophets, 23:29-36
 1. but you bear witness against yourselves, as sons of those who murdered the Prophets, 23:30-32
 - I. Therefore, behold, I am sending You Prophets, Wise Men, and Scribes, 23:34
 1. some of them you will kill, crucify, scourge, persecute, 23:34, 21:35
 - a. so that (Reason) upon you may fall the guilt of all the righteous blood shed on earth, 23:35
 - b. Truly I say to you, all these things will come upon this generation, 23:36, Lk 17:25
 2. Jerusalem, Jerusalem, who kills the Prophets and stones those who are sent to her, 25:37, 21:35
 - a. How often I wanted to gather your children together, and you were unwilling, 23:37
 - b. Behold, your house (Temple) is being left to you desolate, 23:38, Luke 21:20-24
 3. For (Reason) I say to you, from now on you will not see Me until you say, 23:39
 - a. 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, 23:39 (at His 2nd Coming)

The Setting: of Christ's the Olivet Discourse

This discourse, is spoken on Wednesday, two days before the Lord's death, (Matt 26:1-2), and follows the announcement of 8 Woes upon the Pharisees (Israel's Leaders), (Matt 23:13-36), the announcement of the unwillingness of the nation Israel, (Matt 23:37), and the announcement that Israel's House (Temple) is to be left to them Desolate, (Matt 23:38).

CHRIST'S MOUNT OF OLIVES DISCOURSE IN MATTHEW 24

The Temple Acknowledged and its Fate Foretold

Working Outline > Read Matthew 24:1-2 (Paragraph ¶ from NAS Bible)

Matthew 24:1-2

- I. 1 Jesus came out from the temple and was going away, Mark 13:1,
 - A. When (one of) His disciples came up to point out the temple buildings to Him. Mark 13:1, Lk 21:5,
 - B. 2 And He said to them (him), "Do you not see all these things? Lk 21:6, Mark 13:2,
 1. Truly I say to you,
 - a. not one stone here will be left upon another, which will not be torn down." Mark 13:2, Lk 21:6

Jesus entered the Temple back in Matt 21:23, He interacts with the Jewish Leaders, Matt 21:23-23:36 and is now leaving the Temple. Then His Disciples point out the buildings and that they were decorated with beautiful stones and vowed gifts, Lk 21:5.

Jesus tells them Prophetically, that every stone of the Temple will be torn down. Lk 21:6

The Disciples Questions about: The Temple and His Coming and the End of the Age

Working Outline > Read Matthew 24:3 (Paragraph ¶ from NAS Bible)

Matthew 24:3

- I. 3 As He (Jesus) was sitting on the Mount of Olives, Mark 13:3,
- II. the disciples came to Him privately, saying, Mark 13:3,
 - A. “Tell us, when will these things happen, Mark 13:4, Lk 21:7
 - B. and what will be the sign of Your coming, Mark 13:4, Lk 21:7
 - C. and (the sign) of the end of the age?”

Jesus has traveled from the Temple across the Kidron Valley to the Mount of Olives where He was sitting. Then some of His disciples (James, John, Andrew, Mark 13:3) came to Him privately.

This was a private discussion and not a public one, as explained in Mark 4:33-34. Mark 13:4 and Luke 21:7 implying the Disciples had only 2 questions, But Matthew implies 3 Questions or at least One Question and a 2 Part Second Question.

The Disciples 3 Questions, Matt 24:3

1st Question: WHEN will these things (Temple things, 24:2) be (Timing of) (Answered in Luke 21:20-24)

2nd Question: WHAT will be the Sign (Indication) of Your Coming (Answered 2nd)

3rd Question: WHAT will be (the Sign) (Indication) of the End of the Age (Answered 1st)

As we will see, The Questions about the Sign of Jesus Coming and the Sign the End of the Age will be answered, But the 1st Question about the Temple, is Not answered in Matthew 24 and 25.

The Temple 1st Question is answered in Luke 21:20-24, and revealed previously in Matt 23:38.

Also (the Sign) of the End of the Age, 3rd Question will be answered First, in Matt 24:4-26

then the Sign of Your Coming, 2nd Question will be answered Second, in Matt 24:27 to Matt 25:46

The Answers to the 3rd Question and the 2nd Question

stretch from Matt 24:4 to Matt 25:46, where they end, as said in Matt 26:1.

The Beginning of Birth Pangs: Signs of the End of the Age, But Not the End

Working Outline > Read Matthew 24:4-8 (Paragraph ¶ from NAS Bible)

Matthew 24:4-8 (Mark 13:5-8, Luke 21:8-11)

- I. 4 And Jesus answered and said to them, “See to it that no one misleads (deceives) you. Eph 5:6, 1 Jn 2:26
 1. 5 “For many will come in My name, saying, ‘I am the Christ,’ Mk 13:6, Lk 21:8
 - a. and will mislead (deceive) many. Mk 13:6, 24:11, 24:24, Eph 5:6, 1 Jn 2:26
 - B. 6 “You will be hearing of wars and rumors of wars. 24:7, Mk 13:7, Lk 21:9,
 1. See that you are not frightened, 2 Thes 2:2,
 2. for those things must take place, Rev 1:1, but that is not yet the end. Mk 13:7, Lk 21:9
 - C. 7 “For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom (wars), 24:6, Mk 13:7, Lk 21:10
 1. and in various places there will be famines and earthquakes. Mk 13:8, Lk 21:11, Rev 6:5-6, 6:8
 - D. 8 “But all these things are merely the beginning of birth pangs. Mk 13:8,

Q: Who is “You” or the intended audience in these verses? A: “You” is the Disciples who represent Israel.

At this time there will be many False Christs that deceive many people and Wars between Nations.

Also, there will be famines, great earthquakes, plagues, terrors and great signs from heaven.

This will be a time of great suffering, trouble, persecution or tribulation in the World.

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Jesus speaks to WHAT this Time will be Like, but Not to WHO initiates these events.

Jesus says, all these things are only the Beginning, merely the beginning of Birth Pangs (sufferings).

This implies there is more upheaval or tribulation to come, it is merely the Beginning of tribulation.

The Birth Pains of a Woman, is a metaphor for suffering and judgment, Isa 26:17-18, 1 Thes 5:3, Rom 8:22

A Woman's Labor Pain starts suddenly (1 Thes 5:3) and becomes more severe, until she gives Birth.

All these things are the Beginning of the End of the Age, But Not Yet the End of it.

A Woman's Labor Pain gradually becomes more and more severe until Her Child Comes.

As we will see, the tribulation gradually becomes more and more severe until Jesus Comes.

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Abomination of Desolation, set up, Dan 12:11
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stops sacrifice & offering, Dan 9:27

Covenant with Israel, Broken, Dan 9:27
the Holy Place, Temple, Taken Over, Dan 9:27
Sacrifice and Offerings, Stopped, Dan 9:27, 12:11

they will speak out against the Most High
wear down the saints of the Highest One,
intend to make alterations in times and in law;
they (Israel) will be given into his hand
for time, times, and half time, (3 ½ years), Dan 7:25

they will tread under foot the holy city
for (42) months (3 ½ years), Rev 11:2

Given to him a mouth speaking arrogant words
blasphemies, and authority to act for 42 months.
He blasphemies God, His name, and His tabernacle.
Given to him to make war with the saints
and to overcome them, and authority over every
people, tongue, and nation, Rev 13:5-7

the End of the Age: They will deliver You to Tribulation, Suffering, and Persecution

Working Outline > Read **Matthew 24:9–14** (Paragraph ¶ from NAS Bible)

Matthew 24:9–14 (Mark 13:9–13, Luke 21:12–19)

- I. 9 “Then they will deliver you (Israel) to tribulation, and will kill you,
A. and you (Israel) will be hated by all nations because of My name. Mk 13:13, Lk 21:17, Matt 10:22,
B. 10 “At that time many will fall away (disbelieve) and will betray one another
1. and hate one another. Mk 13:12, Lk 21:16,
- II. 11 “Many false prophets will arise and will mislead (deceive) many. 24:24,
- III. 12 “Because lawlessness is increased, most people’s love will grow cold.
A. 13 “But the one who endures to the end, he will be saved (physically). Mk 13:13, Lk 21:18-19,
- IV. 14 “This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in the whole world Mk 13:10
A. as a testimony to all the nations,
B. and then the end will come.

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This Gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached in the whole world

The Gospel of the Kingdom is the “good news” Preached by John the Baptist, Matt 3:2, Acts 13:24, and Jesus, Matt 4:7, and only to Israel, as Repent the Kingdom of God is at hand. Lk 17:20, Mk 1:15

The Gospel of Grace is the “good news” Preached by Paul, primarily to the Gentiles, is that Christ died for our sins, was buried, and was raised from dead. 1 Cor 15:1–4

the End of the Age: When You see the Abomination of Desolation in the Holy Place Flee

Working Outline > Read **Matthew 24:15-22** (Portion of 24:15-28, Paragraph ¶ from NAS Bible)

Matthew 24:15-22 (Portion of Mark 13:14-23, Luke 21:20-26)

- I. 15 “Therefore when you see the abomination of desolation Mk 13:14, Dan 9:27, Dan 12:11
 - A. which was spoken of through Daniel the prophet,
 1. standing in the holy place (let the reader understand), 2 Thes 2:4
 - B. 16 then those who are in Judea must flee to the mountains. Mk 13:14, Lk 21:21
 1. 17 “Whoever is on the housetop Mk 13:15,
 - a. must not go down to get the things out that are in his house.
 2. 18 “Whoever is in the field Mk 13:16,
 - a. must not turn back to get his cloak.
 3. 19 “But woe to those who are pregnant Mk 13:17, Lk 21:23
 - a. and to those who are nursing babies in those days !
 4. 20 “But pray that your flight will not be in the winter, Mk 13:18, or on a Sabbath.
 - C. 21 “For (Reason) then there will be a great tribulation, Dan 12:1, Joel 2:1-2
 1. such as has not occurred Dan 12:1, Joel 2:1-2
 - a. since the beginning of the world until now, nor ever will. Mk 13:19, Dan 12:1, Joel 2:1-2
 2. 22 “Unless those days had been cut short, no life would have been saved; Mk 13:20,
 - a. but for the sake of the elect those days will be cut short. Mk 13:20,

This is the abomination of desolation or the Antichrist that Daniel spoke of, in Dan 9:27, Dan 12:11. The Antichrist, will stand/sit in the Holy Place or Temple displaying Himself as being God, 2 Thes 2:4, and stop sacrifice and offerings and He will make things desolate, until a complete destruction, Dan 9:27. “these are days of vengeance, so that all things which are written will be fulfilled”, Luke 21:22 This is the midpoint of Daniel’s 70th Week in Dan 9:27 or the 3 ½ year point in the 7 year Tribulation. Tribulation: Grk, thlipsis (2347) “trouble involving direct suffering, ‘trouble, suffering, persecution. Then Jesus gives Warnings for the people of Israel to avoid the coming Great Tribulation. People of Israel in Judea are to Flee to the mountains But are Not to hesitate or turn back for anything. Also, Women who are Pregnant or Nursing will experience great distress or woe in those days.

Also, People of Israel are to pray that their flight will not be in the winter or on a Sabbath.

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“tribulation” During this Age > about 2000 Years

is the **tribulation** experienced primarily by **Gentiles** “in **Christ**” that have suffered and will suffer in this world, during this **Church Age** or before the **Birth Pangs** and before **the End of the Age**, **Matt 24:4-26**.

This “tribulation” has Nothing to do with the **Nation of Israel**, **Daniel's 70th week**, **Dan 9:25-27**.

or **Jesus's Olivet Discourse**, **Matt 24:4-26**, or **the End of the Age**.

John 16:33 “... In the world **you** have **tribulation**, but take courage; I have overcome the world.”

Rom 5:3 And not only this, but **we** also exult in our **tribulations**,

knowing that **tribulation** brings about perseverance;

1 Thes 1:6 **You** also became imitators of us and of **the Lord**, having received the word in much **tribulation** with the joy of the Holy Spirit,

“The Tribulation” at the End of the Age > is 7 Years

“The Tribulation” is the 7 **year** period, including “The Great Tribulation”, having to do with

the **Nation of Israel**, **Daniel's 70th week**, **Dan 9:25-27**, and **Jesus's Olivet Discourse**, **Matt 24:4-26**

It is the Time of, **False Christs**, **Wars**, **Famines**, **Great Earthquakes**, **Terrors**, **Plagues**, and **signs** from **Heaven**, and the Time of, the **Antichrist**, stopping **Sacrifices**, complete **destruction**, and **Judah** fleeing.

“these are **days of vengeance**, so that **all things** which are written will be **fulfilled**”, **Luke 21:22**

“The Great Tribulation” at the End of the Age > is 3 1/2 Years

This is the last 3 ½ **years** of a 7 **year**, **“The Tribulation”**, having to do primarily with the Nation of Israel, Daniel's 70th week, Dan 9:25-27. and Jesus's Olivet Discourse, Matt 24:4-26

“The Great Tribulation” > is an **unprecedented** and without **subsequent** Event.

A unique time, especially set aside by **Jesus** for **His Day of Vengeance** on **Mankind**, **Isa 61:2**, **Jesus** left off the second half of **Isa 61:2**, **“the day of vengeance of our God**; To comfort **all who mourn**, when **He** began **His** ministry, in **Lk 4:18, Lk 21:22**

Isaiah 61:2 [Left off by **Jesus** in **Luke 4:18**]

“To proclaim the favorable year of the Lord And the day of vengeance of our God;...”

“The Great Tribulation” > is **“such as has not occurred since the beginning of the world until now”**

“nor ever will (occur)” Matt 24:21

Mark 13:19

19 **“For those days will be a time of tribulation such as has not occurred since the beginning of the creation which God created until now, and never will (occur)”**

Daniel 12:1

1 **“Now at that time Michael, the great prince who stands guard over the sons of your people, will arise. And there will be a time of distress such as never occurred since there was a nation until that time; and at that time your (Daniel's) people (Israel), everyone who is found written in the book, will be rescued.**

“The Great Tribulation” > is an **unprecedented PAST** Event and without a **subsequent FUTURE** Event

“has Not occurred since the beginning of the world/creation” > has Not Occurred in PAST

“such as Never occurred since there was a nation (Israel) until that time” > has Never Occurred in PAST

“Nor Ever will (occur)” > will Not Ever Occur in FUTURE

the End of the Age: Don't believe People about Christ's Coming, it is Like Lightning Comes Working Outline > Read Matthew 24:23-28 (Portion of 24:15-28, Paragraph ¶ from NAS Bible)

Matthew 24:23-28

- I. 23 “Then if anyone says to you, ‘Behold, here is the Christ,’ 24:4-5, Mk 13:21
 - 1. or ‘There He is,’ do not believe him. 24:4-5, Mk 13:21
- B. 24 “For false Christs and false prophets will arise and will show great signs and wonders, Mk 13:22
 - 1. so as to mislead (deceive), if possible, even the elect (chosen). 24:4-5, Mk 13:21
 - 2. 25 “Behold, I have told you in advance.
- C. 26 “So if they say to you, ‘Behold, He is in the wilderness,’ do not go out,
 - 1. or, ‘Behold, He is in the inner rooms,’ do not believe them. 24:4-5, Mk 13:21
- II. 27 “For just as the lightning comes from the east and flashes even to the west,
 - 1. so will the coming of the Son of Man be. Rev 19:11
- III. 28 “Wherever the corpse is, there the vultures will gather. Rev 19:21, Lk 17:37, Ps 110:5-6

This is a Time, when false Christs and false prophets will arise and will show great signs and wonders, who will mislead (deceive), even the elect (chosen). They will falsely claim Christ has come. But the coming of the Son of Man, is just as the lightning comes from the east and flashes to the west. and the coming of the Son of Man, is related to corpse and vultures, “Great supper of God”, Rev 19:17-18

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the Sign of Jesus Coming: Heavenly Disturbances, Israel mourning, and Gathering of Elect

Working Outline > Read Matthew 24:29–31 (Paragraph ¶ from NAS Bible)

Matthew 24:29–31

- I. 29 “But immediately after the (Great) tribulation of those days Mk 13:24
 - A. the sun will be darkened, Mk 13:24, Lk 21:25, Isa 13:10, Joel 2:10, 2:31, 3:15, Rev 6:12-14, Zech 14:6
 - B. and the moon will not give its light, Mk 13:24, Lk 21:25, Isa 13:10, Joel 2:10, 2:31, 3:15
 - C. and the stars will fall from the sky, Mk 13:24, Lk 21:25, Isa 13:10, Joel 2:10, 2:31, 3:15
 - D. and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Mk 13:25, Lk 21:26, Rev 6:12-14,
- II. 30 “And then the sign (24:3) of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, Mk 13:26, Lk 21:27
 - A. and then all the tribes (Israel) of the earth will mourn, Rev 1:7, Zech 12:10-12
 1. and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of the sky Rev 1:7, Mt 26:64, Lk 21:27
 - a. with power and great glory.
- III. 31 “And He will send forth His angels with a great trumpet Zech 14:5
 - A. and they will gather together His elect (of tribes of Israel) from the four winds,
 1. from one end of the sky to the other.

This point in Time is “immediately after the tribulation of those days” after the 7 year Tribulation.

Then there will be great celestial or Heavenly Disturbances, as prophesied in the OT.

Previously there were only Earthly Disturbances.

Then the sign (24:3) of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, the sign refers to 2nd Question: in 24:3.

Then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, the tribes that mourn are the tribes of Israel, Read Zech 12:10-12

“they will look on Me whom they have pierced; and they will mourn for Him”, Zech 12:10, Isa 61:2

“I will pour out on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the Spirit of grace”, Zech 12:10

Then all the tribes of Israel, “they”, “will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of the sky”
all the tribes of Israel, “you”, “will see all these things”, Matt 24:33

Then He will send forth His angels with a great trumpet,

Then His angels will gather together His elect (Jewish Believers) from the four winds,

His angels will gather together His elect (Jewish Believers) still Live in their natural bodies.

This gathering of Elect Believers are those (Jewish Believers) who survived the 7 year Tribulation.

“His elect” here is a reference to the Jewish remnant who will come to faith during the 7 year Tribulation.

The Context is the determining factor in difficult interpretations because Context is King.

The Context of Matthew 24 is the Nation of Israel > “all the tribes (Israel) of the earth” (24:30),

the “gospel of the kingdom” (24:14), the holy place (Temple) (24:15), “those in Judea” (24:16),

“the Sabbath” (24:20), and the Christ (Messiah) (24:23-24) that indicate the Nation of Israel is in view.

The entire Book of Matthew is written to Jews, about their Messiah and their people Israel, who are all under the Mosaic Covenant. There is No Church yet and No Permanent indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

The gathering of Unbelievers of Israel is Not mentioned here, but they are often mentioned in Matthew.

The gathering of Unbelievers, tares, chaff, the wicked to be Burned is mentioned in,

Matt 3:12, 13:30, 13:39–40, 13:49–50, 24:39, 24:40, 25:32

All of these gatherings are related to the Son of Man’s Coming.

the Sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky Coming on the Clouds

the Sign(s) of the Son of Man, Matt 24:27-30



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3 ½ Years > 42 months

Christ's Coming

Beginning of Birth Pangs, 24:4-8

Beginning of Tribulation

Beginning of (suffering)

Not yet the End of the Age

The Great Tribulation, 24:15-26

When you see

the Abomination of Desolation

the End of the Age

Early Tribulation, 24:9-14

They will deliver you to Tribulation

the Sign of Jesus Coming: Jesus' Coming is Near when You See all these things
Working Outline > Read Matthew 24:32-35 (Paragraph ¶ from NAS Bible)

Matthew 24:32-35

- I. 32 "Now learn the parable from the fig tree:
 - A. when its branch has already become tender and puts forth its leaves,
 1. you know that summer is near;
- II. 33 so, you too, when you see all these things, Matt 24:4-31
 - A. recognize that He is near, right at the door.
- III. 34 "Truly I say to you, this generation will not pass away
 - A. until all these things take place. Matt 24:4-31
- IV. 35 "Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away. Matt 5:18

Jesus continues to answer the 2nd Question: the Sign of Jesus Coming

Just as the fig tree putting forth its leaves, shows that summer is near

Then in the same way you (Israel) will recognize that He (Jesus) is near

Jesus says, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place.

Q: WHO is "this generation" and WHAT are "all these things"

A: "this generation" refers to the "generation" that will "see all these things"

A: "all these things" refers to "all these things" just explained by Jesus in Matt 24:4-31

It is the Time of, False Christs, Wars, Famines, Great Earthquakes, Terrors, Plagues, and signs from Heaven, the Antichrist, stopping Sacrifices, complete destruction, and Judah fleeing.

Also, WHEN "all the tribes (of Israel)", WHEN "they will see the Son of Man coming"

Also, WHEN "when you (Israel) see all these things" explained in Matt 24:4-31

The Nation of Israel will know "the Son of Man coming" is Near, to fulfill Daniel's 70th week, Dan 9:25-27

Because they will begin to see, all "The 7 year Tribulation" Events take place, in Matt 24:4-31.

[Believers will know, "the Son of Man coming" is Near]

the Sign of Jesus Coming: They will Not Understand until He Comes and Destroys Them
Working Outline > **Read Matthew 24:36-39** (Paragraph ¶ from NAS Bible)

Matthew 24:36-39

- I. 36 “But of that day and hour (of His Coming) **no one knows**, Acts 1:7
 - A. not even the **angels** of heaven, nor **the Son**, but **the Father** alone (knows).
- II. 37 “For **the coming of the Son of Man** will be **just like the days of Noah**.
 - A. 38 “For (Reason) as **in those days** **before the flood**
 1. **they** (**wicked mankind**) were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage,
 2. **until the day** that **Noah** entered **the ark**, Gen 7:7
 3. 39 and **they** (**wicked mankind**) **did not understand**
 - a. **until the flood** came and took **them** all away;
 4. so will **the coming of the Son of Man** be (**they** will not understand).

Jesus continues to answer the 2nd Question: **the Sign of Jesus Coming**

“of that day and hour (of His Coming) **no one knows**” No One Knows exactly when **Jesus** is Coming,

But **they** will know **He** is Coming when **they** start to **see** all of the Events described in **Matt 24:4-26**.

Jesus’ Coming, “will be **just like the days of Noah**” when “**they** (**wicked mankind**)” were going on with life as **they** always did. “**they** (**wicked mankind**) **did not understand**” what was about to happen.

Then “**they** **did understand** too late, WHEN **the flood** came and took (swept) **them** all away”.

Now **in the same way**, “so will **the coming of the Son of Man** be, “**they** (**wicked mankind**) will not understand)” what was about to happen. Then **the Son of Man** will come and destroy (**wicked mankind**).

[**Noah/Believers** Knew, Flood Judgement was Coming, Isa 54:9, 1 Pet 3:20, Lk 17:26-27]

[**Believers** were **Saved** and **Unbelievers** were **Destroyed**]

the End of the Age > Wicked and Righteous are Gathered
Righteous are gathered into Jesus' Barn and Wicked are gathered Burned

Matthew 3:12 [Jesus will gather His Wheat into Barn, He will burn up Chaff]

12 “His winnowing fork is in His hand, and He will thoroughly clear His threshing floor; and He will gather His wheat into the barn, but He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.”

Matthew 13:30 [Reapers angels will gather tares to burn up, gather Wheat into Jesus Barn]

30 ‘Allow both to grow together until the harvest; and in the time of the harvest I will say to the reapers, “First gather up the tares and bind them in bundles to burn them up; but gather the wheat into my barn.” ’

Matthew 13:39–40 [Reapers angels will gather tares to burn up, at the end of the age]

39 and the enemy who sowed them is the devil, and the harvest is the end of the age; and the reapers are angels.

40 “So just as the tares are gathered up and burned with fire, [Wicked taken] so shall it be at the end of the age.

Matthew 13:49–50 [Angels will gather tares to burn up, from among the righteous at the end of the age]

49 “So it will be at the end of the age;

the angels will come forth and take out the wicked from among the righteous, (on Earth?) [Wicked taken] 50 and will throw them into the furnace of fire; in that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Matthew 24:39 [the flood came and took them (WICKED) all away, like coming of the Son of Man]

39 and they did not understand until the flood came and took them (WICKED) all away; so will the coming of the Son of Man be.

Matthew 24:40 [The coming of the Son of Man, one will be taken and one will be left.]

40 “Then there will be two men in the field; one will be taken and one will be left.

Matthew 25:31–32 [All the nations will be gathered before Him, into Sheep and Goats]

31 “But when the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the angels with Him, then He will sit on His glorious throne.

32 “All the nations will be gathered before Him; and He will separate them from one another, as the shepherd separates the sheep from the goats;

Matthew 25:34 [The Sheep inherit the kingdom]

34 “Then the King will say to those on His right (sheep), ‘Come, you who are blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

Matthew 25:41 [The Goats into the eternal fire]

41 “Then He will also say to those on His left, ‘Depart from Me, accursed ones, into the eternal fire which has been prepared for the devil and his angels;

Daniel 12:2 [Many Resurrected, some to everlasting life and some to everlasting contempt]

2 “Many of those who sleep in the dust of the ground will awake (Resurrected), these to everlasting life, but the others to disgrace and everlasting contempt.

The Disciples 3 Questions Outline – Matthew 24:2-26:1

- I. 1st Question: WHEN will these things (Temple things, 24:2) be (Timing of) (Not Answered)
 - A. Temple Torn Down, 24:2
- II. 2nd Question: WHAT will be the Sign (Indication) of Your Coming (Answered 2nd)
- III. 3rd Question: WHAT will be (the Sign) (Indication) of the End of the Age (Answered 1st)
 - A. Signs of the End of the Age – But Not Yet the End, 24:4-6
 - B. All these things (Signs), are merely the Beginning of Birth Pangs of the End, 24:4-8
 - C. Tribulation – The Tribulation – Killed and Hated, 24:9
 - D. Tribulation – The Great Tribulation Warning – Abomination of Desolation, 24:15
 - E. Tribulation – The Great Tribulation Warning – Your Response, 24:16-20
 - F. Tribulation – The Great Tribulation – Begins, 24:21
 - G. Tribulation – The Great Tribulation – Cut Short for Elect, 24:22
 - H. Tribulation – The Great Tribulation – False Christs, 24:23-26
- IV. 2nd Question: WHAT will be the Sign (Indication) of Your Coming, 24:27-29 (Answered 2nd)
 - A. The Coming of the Son of Man – as Lightning comes, 24:27-28
 - B. After – The Great Tribulation – Heavens (cosmos) shaken, 24:29
- V. The Coming of the Son of Man – appears in the Sky, 24:30
 - A. The Coming of the Son of Man – All Tribes of Earth Mourn, 24:30, Zech 12:10
 - B. The Coming of the Son of Man – on the Clouds of the Sky, 24:30
 - C. The Coming of the Son of Man – with Power and Great Glory, 24:30
 - D. The Coming of the Son of Man – sending forth His Angels to Gather His Elect, 24:31
- VI. The Coming of the Son of Man – is as or Like or shall be
 - A. The Coming of the Son of Man – as Fig Tree, 24:32-35
 - B. The Coming of the Son of Man – like Days of Noah, 24:36-39
 - C. The Coming of the Son of Man – shall be Two People - One Taken and One Left, 24:40-41
- VII. The Coming of the Son of Man – Warnings – Be Faithful, Be Ready, and on the Alert, 24:40-25:30
 - A. The Coming of the Son of Man – Faithful Householder - Coming Unexpectedly, Be Alert, 24:42-44
 - B. The Coming of the Son of Man – Servant Faithful/Unfaithful - Coming Unexpectedly, 24:45-51
 - C. The Coming of the Son of Man – Ten Virgins - Faithful/Unfaithful – Coming be Ready, 25:1-13
 - D. The Coming of the Son of Man – Talents – Faithful/Unfaithful – with what Given You, Judged, 25:14-30
- VIII. The Coming of the Son of Man – All Nations (Gentiles) - Sheep and Goat Judgement, 25:31-46
 - A. The Son of Man – Comes in Glory with Angels, 25:31
 - B. The Son of Man – Sits on His Glorious Throne, 25:31
 - C. All Nations (Gentiles) Gathered and Separated into Sheep and Goats, 25:32
 - D. The Sheep on His Right and the Goats on His Left, 25:33
 - E. Sheep Judged – How they Treated Sheep – Inherit Kingdom and Eternal Life, 25:34-40, 46
 - F. Goats Judged – How they Treated Sheep – Eternal Fire and Eternal Punishment, 25:41-45, 46
- IX. Jesus Finishes All these Words about The Coming of Son of Man, 26:1