

The End-Times According to Yeshua, and His Second Coming

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The End-Times: What Should We Expect (online)

INTENSE DECEPTION

"And Yeshua answered and said to them, 'See to it that no one misleads you. For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am the Messiah,' and will mislead many'" (Matthew 24:4-5, NASU; cf. Mark 13:5-6; Luke 21:8).

WARS AND NATURAL PHENOMENON

"You will be hearing of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not frightened, for *those things* must take place, but *that* is not yet the end. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and in various places there will be famines and earthquakes. But all these things are *merely* the beginning of birth pangs" (Matthew 24:6-8, NASU; cf. Mark 13:7-8; Luke 21:9-11, 25-26).

PERSECUTION OF BELIEVERS

"Then they will deliver you to tribulation, and will kill you, and you will be hated by all nations because of My name. At that time many will fall away and will betray one another and hate one

another" (Matthew 24:9-10, NASU; cf. Mark 13:9, 11-13; Luke 21:12-19).

FALSE PROPHETS

"Many false prophets will arise and will mislead many" (Matthew 24:11, NASU).

LAWLESSNESS

"Because lawlessness is increased, most people's love will grow cold" (Matthew 24:12, NASU).

ENDURING TO THE END

"But the one who endures to the end, he will be saved" (Matthew 24:13, NASU; cf. Mark 13:13; Luke 21:19).

THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM

"This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all the nations, and then the end will come" (Matthew 24:14, NASU; cf. Mark 13:10).

THE ABOMINATION OF DESOLATION

"Therefore when you see the ABOMINATION OF DESOLATION [Daniel 9:27] which was spoken of through Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand), then those who are in Judea must flee to the mountains. Whoever is on the housetop must not go down to get the things out that are in his house. Whoever is in the field must not turn back to get his cloak. But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days! But pray that your flight will not be in the winter, or on a Sabbath" (Matthew 24:15-20, NASU; also 2 Thesalonians 2:1-4).

THE GREAT TRIBULATION

“For then there will be a great tribulation, such as has not occurred since the beginning of the world until now, nor ever will. Unless those days had been cut short, no life would have been saved; but for the sake of the elect those days will be cut short” (Matthew 24:21-22, NASU; cf. Mark 13:19-20).

FALSE EXPECTATIONS

“Then if anyone says to you, ‘Behold, here is the Messiah,’ or ‘There *He is*,’ do not believe *him*. For false Messiahs and false prophets will arise and will show great signs and wonders, so as to mislead, if possible, even the elect. Behold, I have told you in advance. So if they say to you, ‘Behold, He is in the wilderness,’ do not go out, or, ‘Behold, He is in the inner rooms,’ do not believe *them*. For just as the lightning comes from the east and flashes even to the west, so will the coming of the Son of Man be. Wherever the corpse is, there the vultures will gather” (Matthew 24:23-28, NASU; cf. Mark 13:21-23).

THE GATHERING OF THE ELECT

“But immediately after the tribulation of those days THE SUN WILL BE DARKENED, AND THE MOON WILL NOT GIVE ITS LIGHT, AND THE STARS WILL FALL from the sky, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. And then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the SON OF MAN COMING ON THE CLOUDS OF THE SKY with power and great glory. And He will send forth His angels with A GREAT TRUMPET and THEY WILL GATHER TOGETHER His elect from the four winds, from one end of the sky to the other” (Matthew 24:29-31, NASU; cf. Mark 13:24-27; Luke 21:27-28; intertextual references: Isaiah 13:10; Ezekiel 32:7; Joel 2:10, 31; 3:15.).

THE SECOND COMING

“For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of *the* archangel and with the trumpet of God, and the dead in Messiah will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore comfort one another with these words” (1 Thessalonians 4:16-18, NASU).

“Behold, I tell you a mystery; we will not all sleep, but we will all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet; for the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed” (1 Corinthians 15:51-52, NASU).

“Then the seventh angel sounded; and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, ‘The kingdom of the world has become *the kingdom* of our Lord and of His Messiah; and He will reign forever and ever” (Revelation 11:15, NASU).

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Have you ever focused your attention on prophecy around the Olivet Discourse, like focusing your attention on Yeshua’s teachings around His Sermon on the Mount?

2. Which of the prophetic expectations seen in the Olivet Discourse concern you the most?