

A night landscape featuring a dark, starry sky with the Milky Way galaxy visible. The foreground shows a dark, silhouetted mountain range reflected in a calm body of water. The text "Israel" is written in white, and "A Chosen Nation" is written in yellow, both in a bold, italicized font.

Israel
A Chosen Nation

He made every nation of men, that they should inhabit the whole earth – Acts 17:26



CHOSEN NATION



For you are a people holy to the LORD your God. The LORD your God has chosen you out of all the peoples on the face of the earth to be his people, **his measured possession.**

-Deuteronomy 7:6

Now there are *two groups* of
people in the world

Israel & the **Gentiles**

The Gentiles did not have the same advantages as Israel.

NATIONS GENTILES



11 Therefore, remember that formerly you who are **Gentiles by birth** and called **“uncircumcised”** by those who call themselves **“the circumcision”** (which is done in the body by human hands)—

12 remember that at that time you were **separate** from Christ, **excluded** from citizenship in Israel and **foreigners** to the covenants of the promise, **without hope** and **without God** in the world.

-Ephesians 3:11,12

But as for Israel

Theirs is...



- The Adoption as Sons
- The Divine Glory
- The Covenants
- The Receiving of the Law
- The Temple Worship
- The Promises
- **The Patriarchs**
- **The Human Ancestry of Christ**
 - **Who is God!**

- Romans 9:4

Theirs is...

The Patriarchs

The Promise (s)

Abraham

Isaac

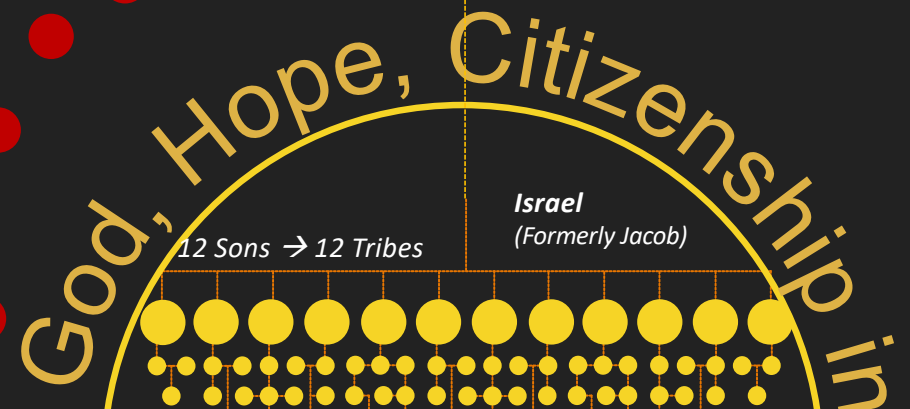
Jacob

Joseph

God, Hope, Citizenship in

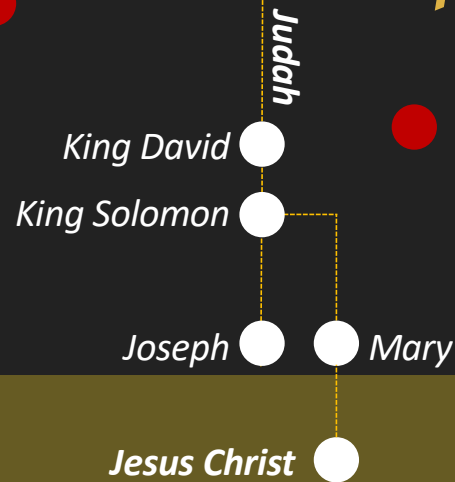
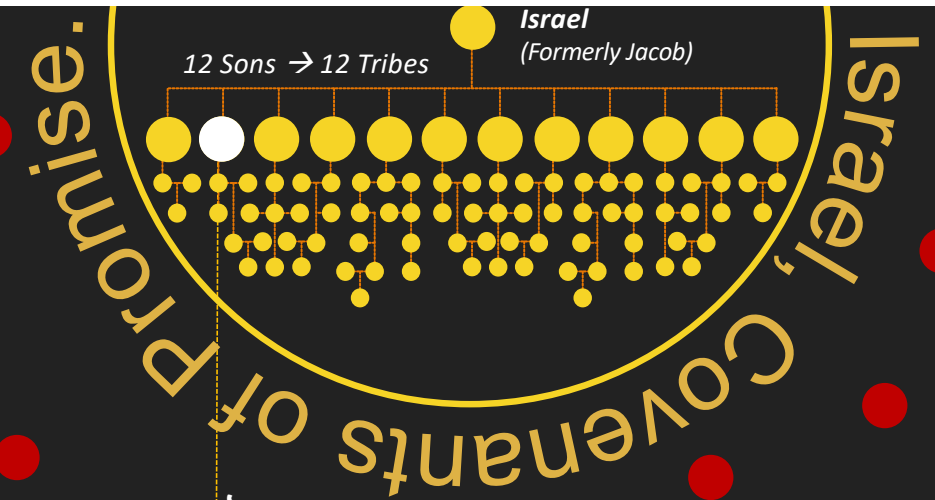
12 Sons → 12 Tribes

Israel
(Formerly Jacob)



Theirs is...

The Human Ancestry of Christ



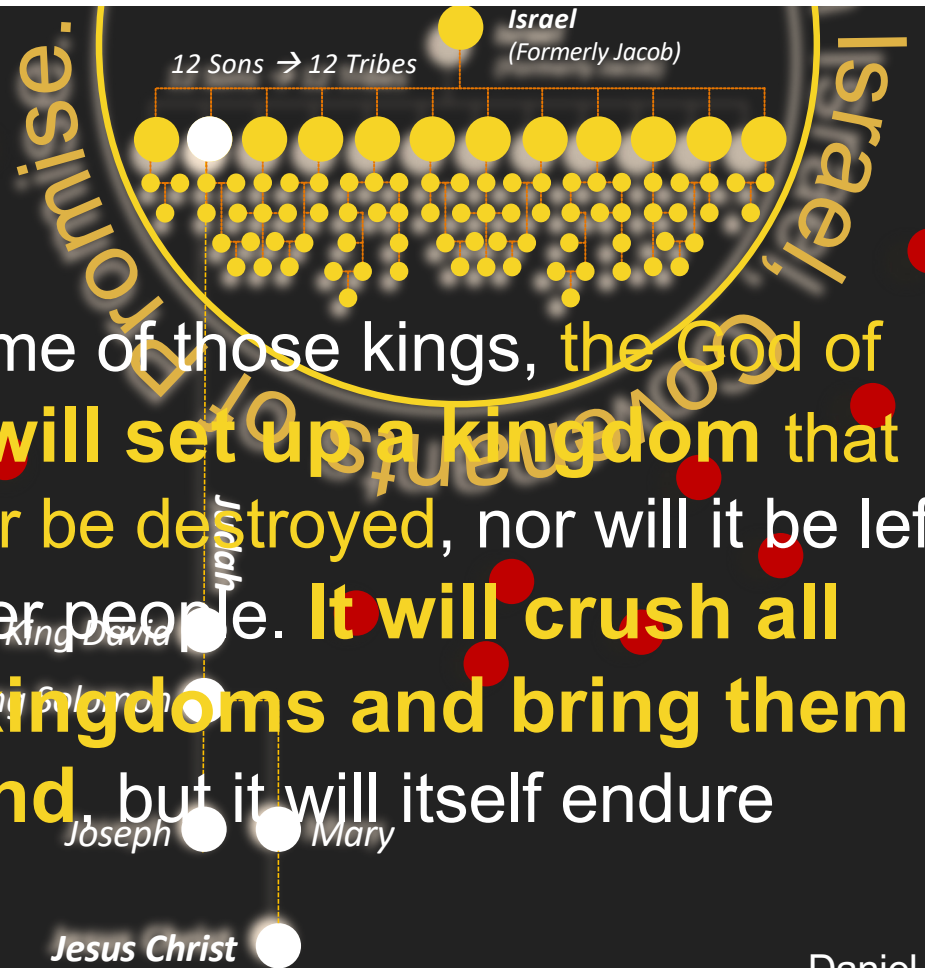
“Who is God over all...”

Repent for the Kingdom of Heaven is near

“In the time of those kings, the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that will never be destroyed, nor will it be left to another people. It will crush all those kingdoms and bring them to an end, but it will itself endure forever.

Jesus Christ

- Daniel 2:44



“But when the tenants saw ***the son***, they said to each other, ‘**This is the heir. Come, let’s kill him** *and take his inheritance.*’

- Matthew 21:38

Presented

Kingdom

“It is only by Beelzebub, the prince of demons, **that this fellow drives out demons.**” – Matthew 13:24

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So where does **the**
Church fit into all
this ?

CHOSEN NATION



The Church



For he himself is our peace, **This mystery** is that who has made the two one and through the gospel **the Gentiles are heirs** by abolishing in his flesh the law with its commandments and regulations. His purpose was to **create in himself one new man** out of the two, thus making peace,

- Ephesians 2:14, 15

The Church



*Give none offence,
neither to **the Jews**, nor
to **the Gentiles**, or to
the church of God
(KJV)*

- 1 Cor 10:32

The Church



I do not want you to be ignorant of **this mystery**, brothers, so that you may not be conceited: **Israel has experienced a hardening in part until the full number of the Gentiles has come in.**

What About Israel?

- Romans 11:25

Timeline



GENTILES



All Israel
(National Israel - By Works)

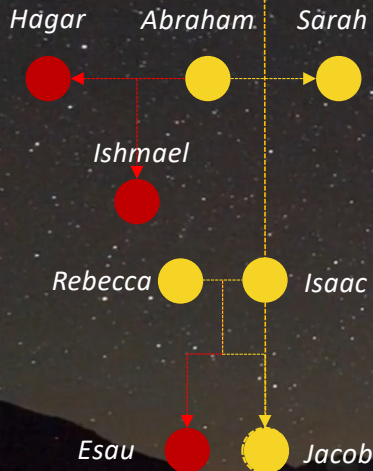
Israel
(Remnant Israel - By Faith)

For no
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desc
child
- Rom

Israel

Descendants vs Children

Gods Promise



But his citizens hated him and sent a message after him saying, 'We will not have this man to reign over us.' But Jacob said, 'Swear to me first.' So he swore an oath to him, selling his birthright to Jacob. Then Jacob gave Esau some bread and some lentil stew. He ate and drank, and then got up and left. So Esau despised his birthright.

Crucify Him

Abraham

Israel



Promise

Isaac
Jacob

Promise

Israel
(Remnant)

Hope, Citizen

2 Sons → 12 Tribes

Israel
(Formerly Jacob)

Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!"
"We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." – Andrew John 1:41

Repent **for the**
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is near.

5 Phases

Of the Kingdom

- 1 **P**rophesied
- 2 **P**resented
- 3 **P**ostponed
- 4 **P**hysical
- 5 **P**erpetual

5 Phases

Of the Kingdom

① **Prophe**sied

② **Pr**esented

③ **Post**poned



After the sixty-two 'sevens,' **the Anointed One** will be *cut off* and will have nothing.

④ **Physical**

⑤ **Perpetual**

—Daniel 9:27

Prophesied

Kingdom

1

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- Daniel 2:44

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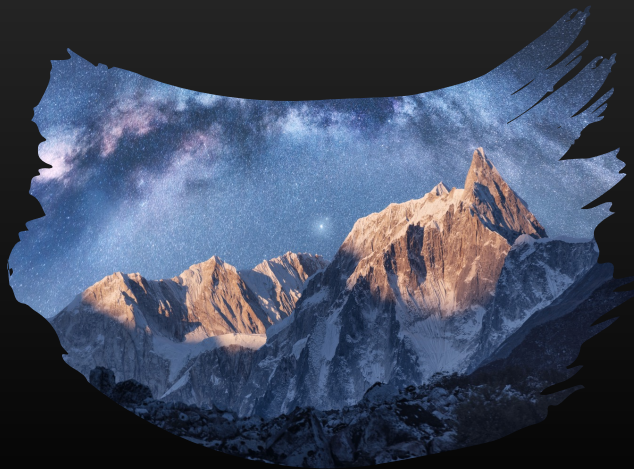
Presented

Kingdom

“Repent, for **the kingdom of heaven is near.**”

- Matthew 3:1-3

Prophesied Kingdom



2 Samuel 7:16

- A descendent of David would be King

Daniel 7:16-18, 22, 27

- The saints would possess this kingdom

Rev 5:10, 20:9-15, Psalm 2:8-10, Zech 14:9

- The kingdom will be here on earth

Acts 1:6,7

- The kingdom is still future

Matthew 1,2 – The Birth of the King

Matthew 3 – The Forerunner of the King (John the Baptist)

Matthew 4 – The testing of the King (Since you are the son of God)

Matthew 5 – The Subjects of the King

Matthew 5:13-7 – The Constitution of the Kingdom

Matthew 8-9 – The Power of the King (Proof)

Matthew 10 – The Kings servants Rejected (Apostles)

Matthew 11 – The Kings Forerunner Rejected (John the Baptist)

Matthew 12 – The King Rejected

Matthew 13 – The arrival of the Kingdom Postponed

Matthew 14-20 – Retirement and Withdrawal of the King

Matthew 21-27 – The Rejection of the King

Matthew 28 – The Resurrection of the King

1

“In those days **John the Baptist** came, preaching in the Desert of Judea and saying, **“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near.”**”

- Matthew 3:1,2

2

When **Jesus** heard that John had been put in prison, he returned to Galilee. Leaving Nazareth, he went and lived in Capernaum, ... From that time on Jesus began to preach, **“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near.”**”

- Matthew 4:12, 17

3

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: “Do not go among the Gentiles or enter any town of the Samaritans. **Go rather to the lost sheep of Israel.** As you go, preach this message: **‘The kingdom of heaven is near.’** Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons.

- Matthew 10:1,2

Why Repent ?
&
Why only to Israel

you **who have received the law** that was put into effect through angels **but have not obeyed it.**”

- Acts 7:53



Matthew 12

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Postponed Kingdom

Whoever has will be given more, and he will have an abundance. **Whoever does not have**, even what he has will be taken from him. - Matthew 13:12

The **Rejected King** now speaks in parables **publicly** to his *enemies* and explains **privately** to his subjects

What are the Parables of the Kingdom ?

The Parables of the Kingdom ***describe the Postponed*** form of the Kingdom on earth...

They ***explain*** to those *who have ears to hear*, what the kingdom of heaven on earth will be like, while ***the rejected King*** is exiled in heaven.

Postponed

Parables of the Kingdom

13

- Parable of the soils (Matthew 13:3-23)
- The wheat and the tares (Matthew 13:24-30)
- Parable of the mustard seed (Matthew 13:31-32)
- The woman mixing the leaven in the meal (Matthew 13:33-35)
- Hidden treasure in the field (Matthew 13:44)
- Pearl of great price (Matthew 13:45, 46)
- Net cast into the sea (Matthew 13:47-50)
- Parable of the unforgiving servant (Matthew 18:21-35)
- Parable to the laborers in the vineyard (Matthew 20:1-16)
- Parable of the tenants (Matthew 21:33-43)
- The marriage of the kings son (Matthew 22:1-14)
- The wise and foolish virgins (Matthew 25:1-13)
- Parable of the talents (Matthew 25:14-30)

Postponed

Parable of the soils



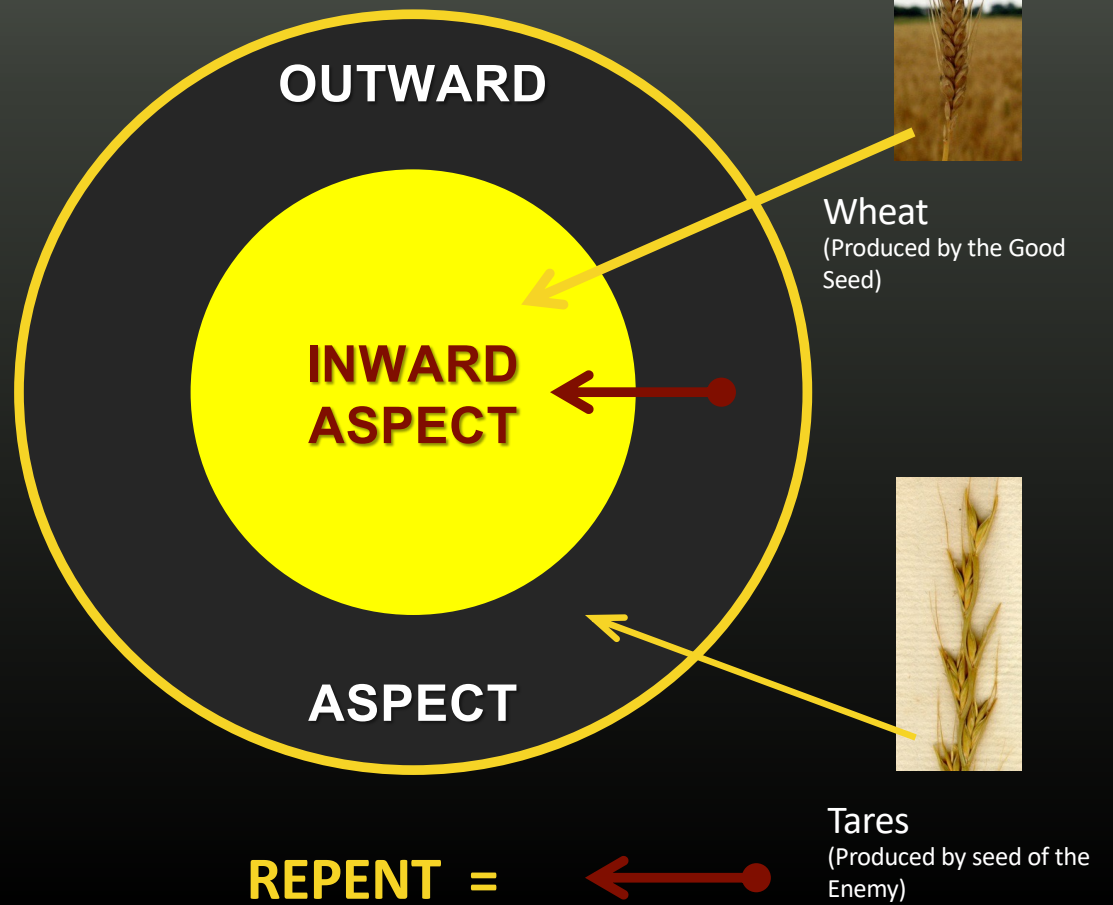
Postponed

Parable of the weeds



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Postponed

Parable of the mustard
seed



Postponed

Parable of Yeast



Postponed

Parable of the Treasure in
a Field



Postponed

Parable of the Pearl



Postponed

Parable of the Net



While Jesus is absent from His Kingdom...

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Postponed

What did we learn

- It will be made up of **saved and un-saved people** that are almost indistinguishable.
- The Kingdom **will become very large** but evil will take up residence in it.
- The Kingdom **will have** false doctrine in it
- The Kingdom message (Seed) will produce 4 kinds of results **but only one** that produces fruit
- The **good and bad** will be separated at the end of the age

Postponed

The Kingdom of heaven is
like...



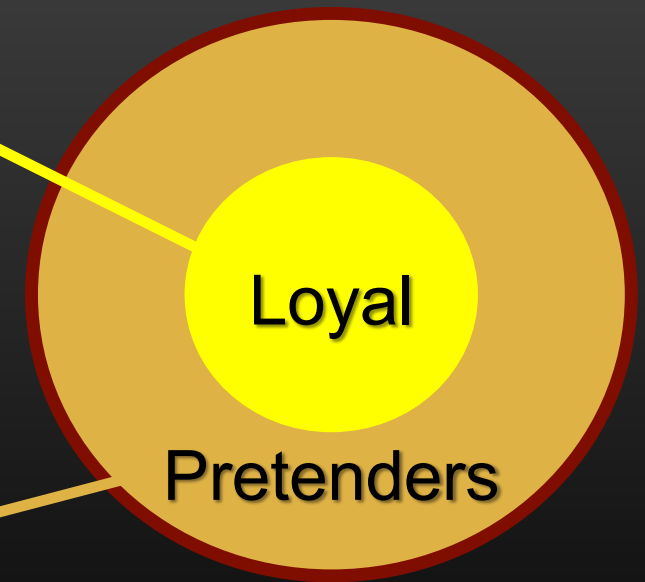
The
Kingdom
was
England



The Sphere of
England's Rule
over her
professed
subjects

2 Kinds of Subjects

Those Loyal to the True King **and** pretenders loyal to the evil one



And all ***claimed*** to be English



Loyal

Pretenders

Many will say to me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and in your name drive out demons and perform many miracles?' **Then I will tell them plainly**, 'I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers!'

- Matthew 7:23

From the days of John the Baptist until now, **the kingdom of heaven** has been **forcefully advancing**, and *forceful men lay hold of it*.
- Matthew 11:12

The Pretenders

Those Loyal to prince John
(**The Evil one**) wanted the
kingdom for themselves.



**The weeds are the sons of the evil
one, and the enemy who sows
them is the devil.**

- Matthew 13:39

The True Subjects

Are Those Loyal to King
Richard.



“But when the tenants saw ***the son***, they said to each other, ‘**This is the heir. Come, let’s kill him** *and take his inheritance.*’

- Matthew 21:38

The Kingdom Cleansed



At the end of the Age **the true King will return**
and remove all that **defiles** from His
Kingdom.

The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels. “As the weeds are *pulled up and burned in the fire*, so it will be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send out his angels, and **they will weed out of his kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil.** They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then ***the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father.*** *He who has ears, let him hear.*

- Matthew 13:39-41

Postponed

Symbol Key

“Have you understood all these things”

- The Seed – The good news about the kingdom (Matt 13:19, 37)
- The Wheat – The sons of the Kingdom (Matt 13:37)
- The Tares – False teachers produced by the seed of the evil one (Matt 13:37)
- Field – World (Matt 13:37)
- The Birds – Satan and his Minions (prince of the power of the air) (Matt 13:19)
- The Soils – The Heart of Man (Matt 13:19)
- The Treasure – Israel (Deuteronomy 7:6)
- The Pearl – The Church ()
- The Dragnet – The message of the gospel (Matthew 13:19-23)
- The Good Fish – Sons of the Kingdom caught by the net of the gospel
- The Bad Fish – False Professors caught by the net of the gospel
- The Harvest – The end of the age. (Matt 13:39)
- The Harvesters – The Angels (Matt 13:39)
- The Yeast (Leaven) – Evil (Mark 8:15, Matthew 16:6)
- The Woman – The Great Whore (Rev 17)

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Physical Kingdom

“...but they will be priests of God and of Christ **and will reign with him for a thousand years.**”

- Revelation 20:6b

Physical

From Physical to
Perpetual

Of the greatness of his government and peace **there will be no end**. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness **from that time on and forever**. The zeal of the LORD Almighty will accomplish this.

- Isaiah 9:7

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Permanent

Kingdom

There will be no more night. They will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, **for the Lord God will give them light. And they will reign for ever and ever.**

- Revelation 22:5

Permanent

Kingdom

“For behold, **I create new heavens and a new earth**, and the **former things** shall not be remembered or come into mind.
- Isaiah 65:17

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**“your kingdom come, your will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.”**

- Jesus; Matthew 6:10

Matthew 24

Olivet [*All of it*] Discourse

Everything a Jew needs to know to
survive the tribulation !

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Postponed Kingdom

“...Therefore I tell you that **the kingdom of God will be taken away from you** and given to a people **who will produce its fruit...**”

- Matthew 21:42-46

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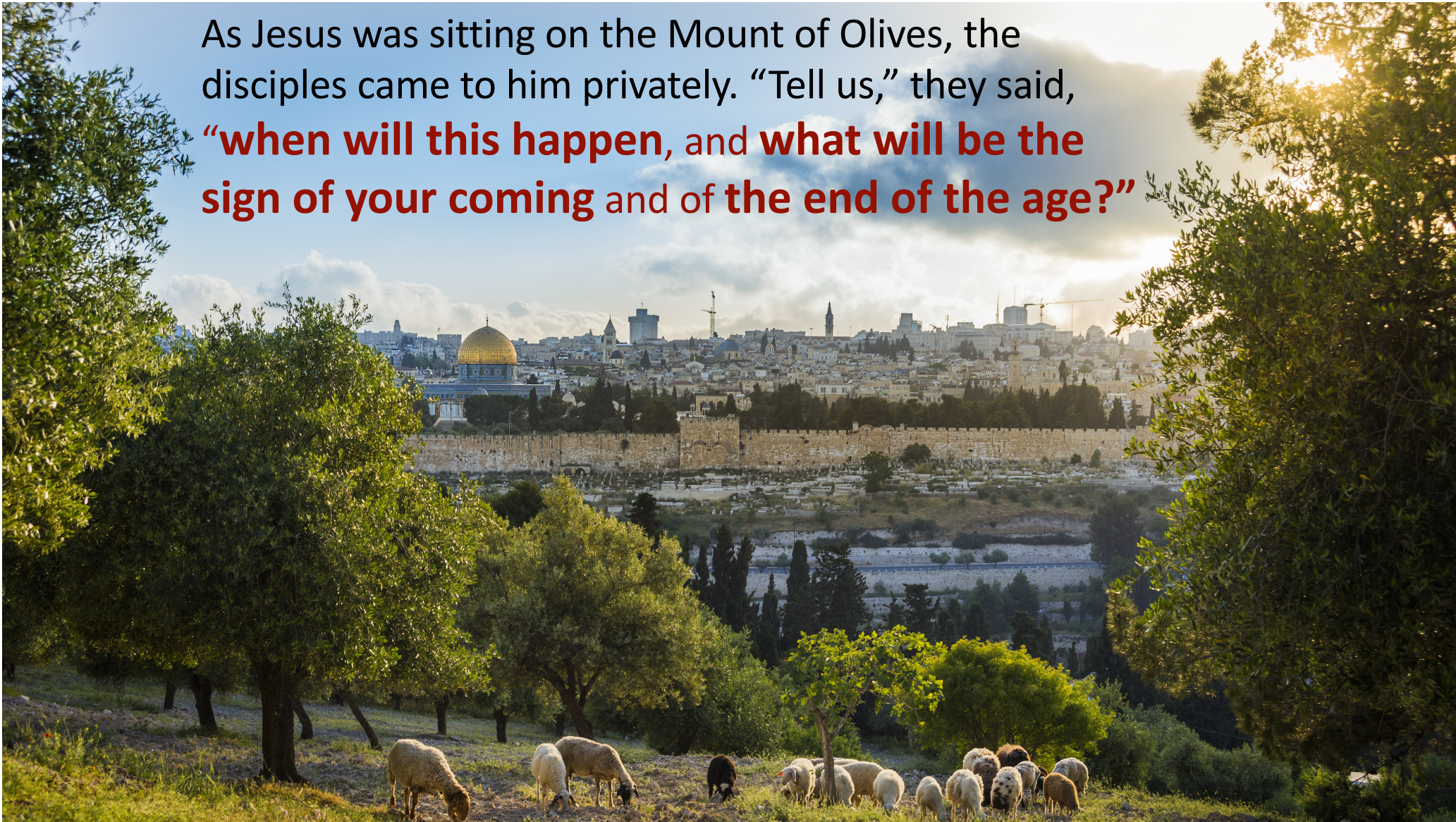
Olivet Discourse

Vs 1-4

Jesus left the temple and was walking away when his disciples came up to him to call his attention to its buildings. “Do you see all these things?” he asked. “I tell you the truth, **not one stone here will be left on another**; everyone will be thrown down.”

- Matthew 24:2

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?”**



1 “when will *this* happen

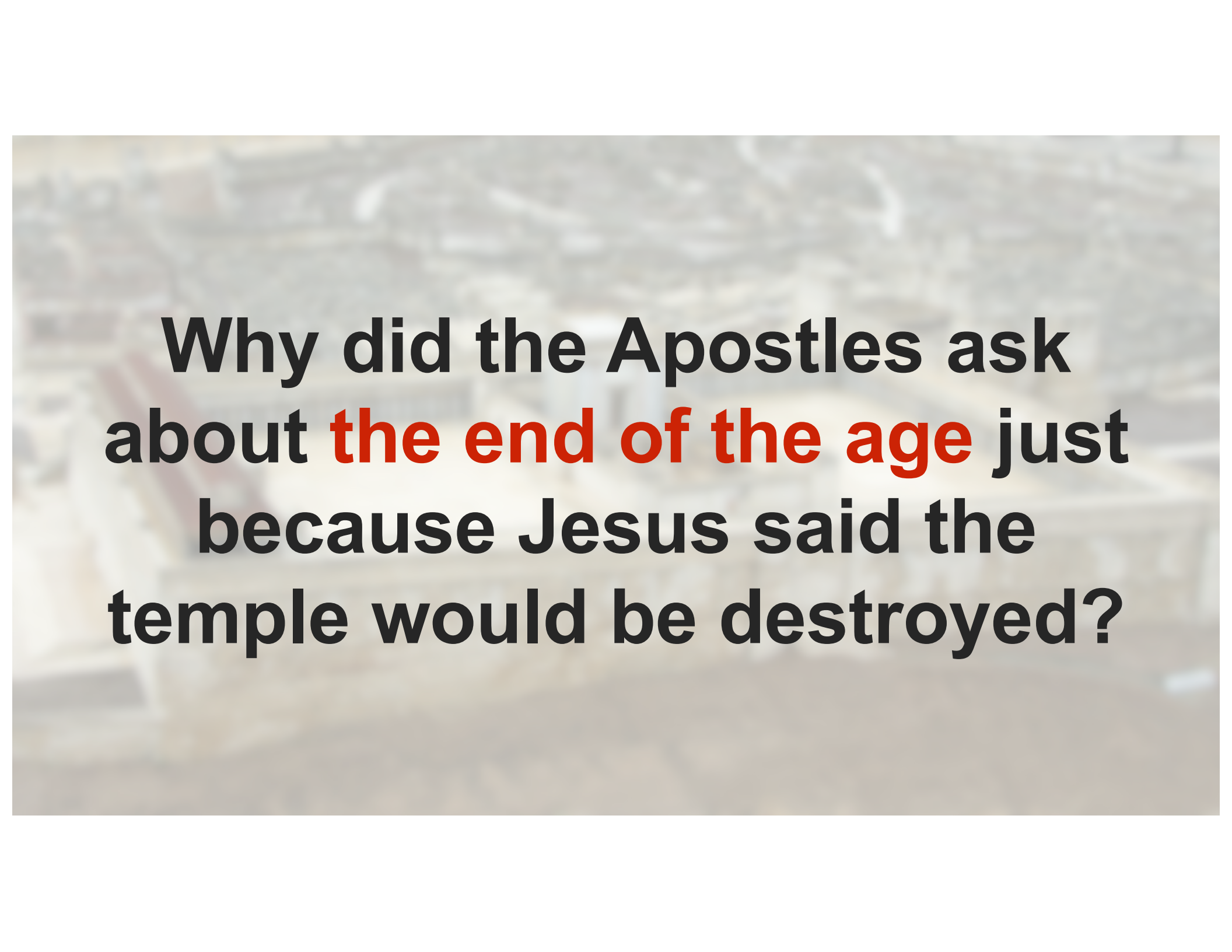
VS 36-51 – When has not been revealed but I will tell you what it will be like, - Expectant disciples make growing Christians

2 and what will be the *sign* of your coming

VS 29-35 – The sign of the return of the son of man at Jesus 2’nd Coming

3 and of the end of the *age?*”

VS 5-15 – Signs of the end of the age
16-28 – When will these signs occur



**Why did the Apostles ask
about **the end of the age** just
because Jesus said the
temple would be destroyed?**

The people of the ruler who will come
will **destroy** *the city and the*
sanctuary. The end will come
like a flood:

- Daniel 9:26

“...**The end** will come like a flood:”

- **Daniel 9:26**

Jesus Disciples thought that the end was near
the destruction of the temple was a sure sign
that the end was going to come **all at once.**



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What will be the sign of the **end of the age?**

First 5 Signs

Matthew 24

“many will come in my name, claiming, ‘I am the Christ,’ and **will deceive many.**”

You will hear of **wars and rumors of wars**

There will be **famines**

“Then you will be handed over to be persecuted **and put to death**, and you will be hated by all nations because of me.

‘the **sun will be darkened**, and the moon will not give its light; the **stars will fall from the sky**, and the heavenly bodies will be

First 5 Seals

Revelation 6



“will deceive many.”



wars and rumors of wars



famines



“Then you will ...put to death.”



**“sun will be darkened... stars will fall
from the sky... the heavenly bodies will be
shaken”**

Then I saw in the right hand of him who sat on the throne a scroll with writing on both sides and sealed with seven seals. And I saw a mighty angel proclaiming in a loud voice, “Who is worthy to break the seals and open the scroll?” But no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth could open the scroll or even look inside it.

- Revelation 5:1-3

the *Lion of the tribe of Judah*,
the *Root of David*, has triumphed.
He is able to open the scroll and its
seven seals.”

First 5 Seals

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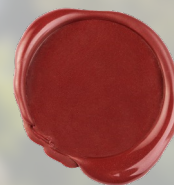
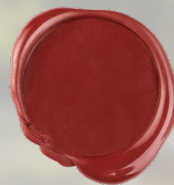
Conquest

War

Famine

Death

Martyrs



Written to Israel
Disciples & Future Disciples

Matthew 24

Written to Israel

you will be hated **by all nations** because of me...those who are in **Judea**...or **on the Sabbath**...When you see **Jerusalem being surrounded by armies**, you will know that its desolation is near...For this is **the time of punishment** in fulfillment of all that has been written...There will be great distress **in the land** and wrath against **this people. Jerusalem will be trampled** on by the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.



Two Audiences

- 1. The Apostles**
- 2. The Reader who understands**



How *did* the Apostles
understand this?

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Prophecy

Is complimentary
never contradictory

Prophecy builds on itself and must be harmonized with the whole Bible. It is a unified story **designed to make God's point**. It is not a series of individual predictions.

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Prophecy

uses Typology to
illustrate future literal
fulfillment



Antiochus IV Epiphanes
215 BC– 164 BC



Antichrist

Antiochus Epiphanes (Daniel 8:11,12, 9:27, Daniel 11:31 “Abomination of
Desolation)

Remember

Daniel 8 and 9, 11

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he will **put an end to sacrifice** and offering. And on a wing [of the temple he will set up an **abomination that causes desolation**, until the end that is decreed is poured out on him.”

- **Daniel 9:27**

Matthew 24

Written to a future
Jewish audience

“So **when you see standing in the holy place** ‘the abomination that causes desolation,’ spoken of through the prophet Daniel—let the **reader** understand—



Matthew
24

Written To warn

**“See, I have told you
ahead of time”**

- Matthew24:25

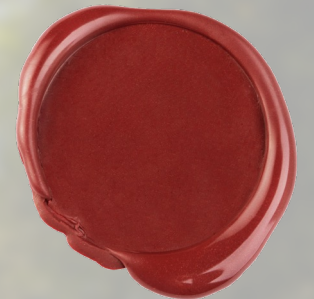


How *should* we
understand this?

2 and what will be
the **sign** of
your coming

VS 29-35 – The sign of the
return of the son of man –
Jesus 2'nd Coming

If you are not coming to
establish your kingdom
now what will be the
sign of your coming?

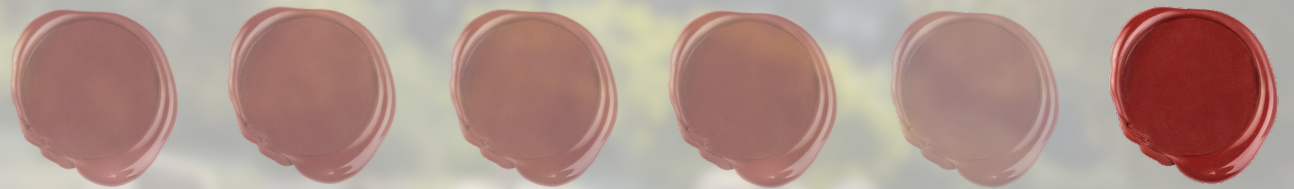


6th Seal

Revelation 6



The sun will be
darkened



**“Immediately after the distress of those
days**

**“ ‘the sun will be darkened,
and the moon will not give its light;
the stars will fall from the sky,
and the heavenly bodies will be
shaken.’**



Matthew
24

Written To warn

“See, I have told you
ahead of time”

- Matthew 24:25

Matthew 24

Avoid the trap of the
Antichrist

““So if anyone tells you, ‘There he is, out in the desert,’ do not go out; or, ‘Here he is, in the inner rooms,’ **do not believe it.** For as lightning that comes from the east is visible even in the west, so will be the coming of the Son of Man.”

Matthew 24

Written To make
ready

“Even so, when you see all these things, you know that it is near, right at the door. I tell you the truth, **this generation** will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.”

- Matthew 24:33-35

Matthew 24

This Generation

this generation (**that sees these signs*) will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.”

- Matthew 24:33-35

**Italics Mine*

Matthew 24

This Generation

this generation (**that sees
the Abomination of Desolation...
The reader of this prophecy...)*)

- Matthew 24:33-35

**Italics Mine*

But *why* say this ?

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“when will *this*
happen

VS 36-51 – No one knows
When but we know what it
will be like, - Expectant
disciples make growing
Christians

When will the end of the
age actually happen? Will
there be **more gaps**?





As it was in the days of Noah,

- Matthew 24:37

Two women will be grinding grain together; one will be taken and the other left.”

“Where, Lord?” they asked.

He replied, **“Where there is a dead body, there the vultures will gather.”**

- Luke 17:35-37

Watch ! — “Therefore **keep watch**, because you do not know the day or the hour.” ... “**What I say to you, I say to everyone: ‘Watch!’**”

- Matthew 25:13, Mark 13:37

In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about
**all that Jesus began to do and
to teach** 2 until the day he was taken up to
heaven

-Acts 1:1

Then they gathered around him and asked him, “**Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?**” He said to them: “It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority...

- Acts 1:6,7

7 Reasons

This has nothing to do with the Church

1. The Church did not exist yet
2. The Jewish Apostles were asking about the Promised Jewish Kingdom
3. The Temple was still standing
4. The Signs are Jewish in nature and in fulfillment of Daniel 7-12 which were said to be **For Israel and Jerusalem** specifically.
5. It was explained to the Apostles privately
6. Not all scripture is written **to us** but all scripture is written **for us**
7. Parts of Matthew 24 were even not written to the Apostles **let alone us!!!**



End