

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2023

MORNING MESSAGE

“What on Earth is Happening?”

Matthew 24:3

- I. A LOOK AT THE PAST (Genesis 12:1-3)
 - A. The Call (v.1)
 - 1. The call to leave – “Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father’s house” (v.1a)
 - 2. The call to live – “unto a land that I will show thee” (v.1b)
 - a. Hebrews 11:8, ‘By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out, not knowing whither he went’
 - B. The Covenant (vv.2-3)
 - 1. The prophecy - “I will make of thee a great nation” (v.2a)
 - 2. The praise - “I will bless thee and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing” (v.2b)
 - 3. The protection - “I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed” (v.3)
- II. A LOOK AT THE PRESENT
 - A. Israel has returned to her homeland
 - 1. Isaiah 11:11, “And it shall come to pass in that day, that the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left”
 - 2. Ezekiel 36:24, “For I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your own land”
 - 3. Israel became a nation on May 14, 1948
 - B. Israel is surrounded by her enemies
- III. A LOOK AT THE PROPHECIES
 - A. The prophecy of Daniel (Daniel 2:32-40)
 - B. The prophecy of Jesus (Matthew 24:37-38)
 - 1. A day of increased population
 - 2. A day of incredible perversion
 - 3. A day of incessant pleasure
 - C. The prophecy of Paul (2 Timothy 3:1-5)

1. The crises of the last days (v.1)
2. The characteristics of the last days (vv.2-5)