

# THE SECOND COMING

## Various Views of the Second Coming | Matthew 24 | 11.15.2020

Matthew, Mark, and Luke are known as the synoptic gospels, meaning similar. They each address the message of Jesus on the Mount of Olives regarding His Second Coming. We have a record of this teaching in Matthew 24:1-44, Mark 13:1-37, and Luke 21:5-36

### Challenging Passages of Matthew 24:

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| 1. Endures unto the end saved be saved               | <b>Matthew 24:13</b>    |
| 2. Abomination of desolation                         | <b>Matthew 24:15</b>    |
| 3. Fig tree analogy                                  | <b>Matthew 24:32-25</b> |
| 4. Only the Father knows (Mark writes "nor the Son") | <b>Matthew 24:36</b>    |
| 5. As in the days of Noah verses (not in Luke)       | <b>Matthew 24:36-39</b> |
| 6. Apparent Rapture verses                           | <b>Matthew 24:40-41</b> |

**Matthew 24:1-2** *Then Jesus went out and departed from the temple, and His disciples came up to show Him the buildings of the temple. <sup>2</sup>And Jesus said to them, "Do you not see all these things? Assuredly, I say to you, not one stone shall be left here upon another, that shall not be thrown down."*

- Solomon's Temple | Zerubbabel's Temple | Herod's Temple. God sent the prophets Haggai and Zechariah to encourage Zerubbabel, and the work on the second temple resumed and finally completed in 516 B.C.

**Matthew 24:3** *Now as He sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, "Tell us, when will these things be? And what will be the sign of Your coming, and of the end of the age?"*

1. When shall these things be? (Temple destroyed)
2. What shall be the sign of your coming?
3. What shall be the sign of the end of the age?

### Matthew 24

Deception of false Christs (**vs. 4-5**)

Disputes and wars among Nations (**vs. 6-7a**)

Devastations of natural disasters (**v. 7b**)

Deliverance up of believers for persecution (**vs. 8-10**)

Defection of false believers (**vs. 11-13**)

Declaration of the gospel globally (**v. 14**)

Daniel' prophecy (**vs. 15-22**)

Darkened skies (**vs. 23-29**)

Descent of Jesus from Heaven in full glory (**vs. 30-31**)

- **Revelation 6:1-8** (deception, war, famine, and global death)

**Matthew 24:4-44** *And Jesus answered and said to them: "Take heed that no one deceives you. <sup>5</sup>For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and will deceive many. <sup>6</sup>And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not troubled; for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. <sup>7</sup>For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will*

be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various places. <sup>8</sup>All these are the beginning of sorrows. <sup>9</sup>“Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and kill you, and you will be hated by all nations for My name’s sake. <sup>10</sup>And then many will be offended, will betray one another, and will hate one another. <sup>11</sup>Then many false prophets will rise up and deceive many. <sup>12</sup>And because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold. <sup>13</sup>But he who endures to the end shall be saved. <sup>14</sup>And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come. <sup>15</sup>“Therefore when you see the ‘abomination of desolation,’ spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place” (whoever reads, let him understand), <sup>16</sup>“then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. <sup>17</sup>Let him who is on the housetop not go down to take anything out of his house. <sup>18</sup>And let him who is in the field not go back to get his clothes. <sup>19</sup>But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days! <sup>20</sup>And pray that your flight may not be in winter or on the Sabbath. <sup>21</sup>For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be. <sup>22</sup>And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect’s sake those days will be shortened. <sup>23</sup>“Then if anyone says to you, ‘Look, here is the Christ!’ or ‘There!’ do not believe it. <sup>24</sup>For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect. <sup>25</sup>See, I have told you beforehand. <sup>26</sup>“Therefore if they say to you, ‘Look, He is in the desert!’ do not go out; or ‘Look, He is in the inner rooms!’ do not believe it <sup>27</sup>For as the lightning comes from the east and flashes to the west, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. <sup>28</sup>For wherever the carcass is, there the eagles will be gathered together. <sup>29</sup>“Immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. <sup>30</sup>Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. <sup>31</sup>And He will send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other. <sup>32</sup>“Now learn this parable from the fig tree: When its branch has already become tender and puts forth leaves, you know that summer is near. <sup>33</sup>**So you also, when you see all these things, know that it is near—at the doors!** <sup>34</sup>**Assuredly, I say to you, this generation will by no means pass away till all these things take place.** <sup>35</sup>**Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away.** <sup>36</sup>“But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only. <sup>37</sup>But as the days of Noah were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. <sup>38</sup>For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, <sup>39</sup>and did not know until the flood came and took them all away, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. <sup>40</sup>Then two men will be in the field: one will be taken and the other left. <sup>41</sup>Two women will be grinding at the mill: one will be taken and the other left.

#### **“This generation” is...**

1. The one spoken to at that time (disciples and 1<sup>st</sup> century believers).
2. The generation who witness the signs of the last days.
3. Both the generation of the time of the disciples and the generation who witness the signs is whom Jesus had in mind.

#### **Jesus wants us to be alert to the fact that Satan has “Nation deceiving capabilities.”**

2 Corinthians 4:3-5, 10:13-15, Ephesians 6:10-12, 2 Thessalonians 2:9-10, 1 Timothy 4:1, 2 Timothy 3:12-13, 2 John 7, Revelation 2:9, 13, 2:24, 3:9, 12:9, 20:3, 8, 20