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MATTHEW

JESUS: KING OF THE JEWS

God's Grace Provision: Flee!

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Matt. 24:3, “Now as He sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, ‘Tell us, (1) when will these things be? And (2) what will be the sign of Your coming, and *the end of the age?*’ ”

- 1. Jesus is talking to them as Jews about Jewish prophecy, specifically the kingdom.**
- 2. The Olivet Discourse is the last thing Jesus said to the Jews about Israel.**
- 3. Nothing in the Olivet Discourse is about Church Age believers or has direct application to Church Age believers.**
- 4. All living Church Age believers will be raptured and taken to Heaven before the beginning of the Tribulation.**

Daniel's Seventy "Weeks"

The Time of Jacob's Trouble (Jer. 30:7)

Dan. 9:24-27

The
Coming
Prince

Messiah
Returns

The "Beginning of
Labor Pains" Matt. 24:8

"but the end is not yet."
Matt. 24:6



Increased labor
pains

"*then* the end will
come." Matt. 24:14

**3½
years**

Third Temple
(Tribulation)
Dan 9:27

**3½
years**

The Tribulation is for ISRAEL

- 1. The first 3.5 years of Daniel's seventieth week: The *beginning of sorrows* (labor pains) (Matt. 24:4–8)**
- 2. The second 3.5 years of Daniel's seventieth week: increased persecution of Jews after the Antichrist breaks the covenant (Matt. 24:9–14)**

The beginning of birth pangs:

False Messiahs will arise (Matt. 24:5).

Many will be deceived by them into thinking the end has arrived.

This will likely be directed at the Jewish people, which suggests an increase in anti-Semitism.

There will then be wars and rumors of wars (Matt. 24:6).

Famines, pestilences, earthquakes develop.

Matt. 24:8, “All these are the beginning of sorrows.

Matt. 24:9, “*Then* they will deliver you up to tribulation and kill you, and you will be hated by all nations for My name’s sake.”

Matt. 24:14, “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.”

“This message had both a soteriological and an eschatological emphasis. When John and Jesus called on the nation to repent, they were asking them to acknowledge their sinful state and their need of salvation. They were inviting the people to turn in faith to God, who had promised to send a Savior. The gospel of the kingdom as preached in the Tribulation will have two emphases. On the one hand it will announce the good news that Messiah’s advent is near, at which time He will introduce the messianic age of blessing. On the other hand, it will also offer men salvation by grace through faith based on the blood of Christ. This gospel will be preached by 144,000 set apart from the tribes of Israel (Rev. 7:1–8)”

~Pentecost, *Words and Works of Jesus Christ*

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**Proclaimed by the 144,000—Rev. 7:1–8;
14:1–5**

The Two Witnesses—Rev. 11:3, first half.

The angel—Rev. 14:6, 7

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Matt. 24:16, “then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains.”

**Dan. 9:24, “Seventy weeks are determined
For your people and for your holy city,
To finish the transgression,
To make an end of sins,
To make reconciliation for iniquity,
To bring in everlasting righteousness,
To seal up vision and prophecy,
And to anoint the Most Holy.**

Dan. 9:25, “Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the command to restore and build Jerusalem until Messiah the Prince, there shall be seven weeks and sixty-two weeks; the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublesome times.”

$7 + 62 = 69 \times 7 = 483 \text{ years} \times 360 = 173,880 \text{ days}$

The WHAT

Dan. 9:26, “And after the sixty-two weeks Messiah shall be cut off, but not for Himself; and the people of the prince who is to come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end of it shall be with a flood, and till the end of the war desolations are determined.

Dan. 9:27, “Then he shall confirm a covenant with many for one week; but in the middle of the week He shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall be one who makes desolate, even until the consummation, which is determined, is poured out on the desolate.”

Dan. 11:31, “And forces shall be mustered by him, and they shall defile the sanctuary fortress; then they shall take away the daily sacrifices, and place there the abomination of desolation.”

Dan. 11:36, “Then the king shall do according to his own will: he shall exalt and magnify himself above every god, shall speak blasphemies against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the wrath has been accomplished; for what has been determined shall be done.”

Dan. 12:11, “And from the time that the daily sacrifice is taken away, and the abomination of desolation is set up, there shall be one thousand two hundred and ninety days.”

**The Who: The Prince Who is to Come—
Dan. 9:26; The “Little Horn”**

Dan. 7:7, “After this I saw in the night visions, and behold, a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, exceedingly strong. It had huge iron teeth; it was devouring, breaking in pieces, and trampling the residue with its feet. It was different from all the beasts that were before it, and it had ten horns.”



**The Boastful Horn
(Dan. 7:8)**



The Little Big Horn (7:8)

“While I was contemplating the horns, behold, another horn, a little one, came up among them, and three of the first horns were pulled out by the roots before it; and behold, this horn possessed eyes like the eyes of a man, and a mouth uttering great boasts.” (Dan. 7:8)

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2 Thess. 2:3, “Let no one deceive you by any means; for that Day will not come unless the falling away comes first, and the man of sin is revealed, the son of perdition,

2 Thess. 2:4, “who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped, so that he sits as God in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.”

Rev. 13:4, “So they worshiped the dragon who gave authority to the beast; and they worshiped the beast, saying, ‘Who is like the beast? Who is able to make war with him?’

Rev. 13:5, “And he was given a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies, and he was given authority to continue for forty-two months.”

Rev. 13:14, “And he deceives those who dwell on the earth by those signs which he was granted to do in the sight of the beast, telling those who dwell on the earth to make an image to the beast who was wounded by the sword and lived.

Rev. 13:15, “He was granted power to give breath to the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak and cause as many as would not worship the image of the beast to be killed.”

- 1. It describes a desecration of the Jewish Temple—Dan. 11:31, 2 Thess. 2:4**
- 2. The ruler stops all regular sacrifices in the Temple—Dan. 9:27, 11:31, 12:11**
- 3. An idol of the ruler is placed in the Holy of Holies—Dan. 11:31, 12:11; Rev. 13:14–15**
- 4. The image is brought to life—Rev. 13:14–15**

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Matt. 24:17, “Let him who is on the housetop not go down to take anything out of his house.

Matt. 24:18, “And let him who is in the field not go back to get his clothes.

Matt. 24:19, “But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days!

Matt. 24:20, “And pray that your flight may not be in winter or on the Sabbath.”

Rev. 12:6, “Then the woman fled into the wilderness where she had a place prepared by God, so that there she would be nourished for one thousand two hundred and sixty days.”



Mic. 2:12, “I will surely assemble all of you, O Jacob, I will surely gather the remnant of Israel; I will put them together like sheep of the fold, like a flock in the midst of their pasture; They shall make a loud noise because of so many people.”

Bozrah =
Sheepfold





Rev. 12:8, “and they were not strong enough, and there was no longer a place found for them in heaven.

Rev. 12:9, “And the great dragon was thrown down, the

serpent of old who is called the devil and Satan, who **deceives** the whole world; he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.”

Rev. 12:12, “For this reason, rejoice, O heavens and you who dwell in them. Woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, knowing that he has only a short time.”

Rev. 12:13, “And when the dragon saw that he was thrown down to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male child.”



Rev. 12:14,

“And the two wings of the great eagle were given to the woman, in order that she might fly into the wilderness to her place, where she was nourished for a time and times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent.”



Deut. 32:10, “He found him in a desert land and in the wasteland, a howling wilderness; He encircled him, He instructed him, He kept him as the apple of His eye.

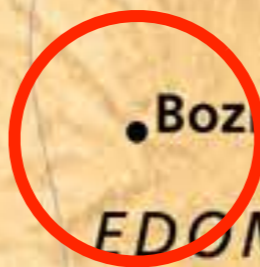
Deut. 32:11, “As an eagle stirs up its nest, hovers over its young, spreading out its wings, taking them up, carrying them on its wings,”

Isa. 34:6, “The sword of the LORD is filled with blood, it is sated with fat, with the blood of lambs and goats, with the fat of the kidneys of rams. For the LORD has a sacrifice in Bozrah and a great slaughter in the land of Edom.”





Region periodically contested by Judah and Edom





Jerusalem

Bozrah



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Matt. 24:21, “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.

Matt. 24:22, “And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect’s sake those days will be shortened.”

“to reduce the duration of something”

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