

A Testimony To All Nations
Matthew 24:1-51
Key Verse: 24:14

* In this study we would like to focus on what God is doing during the end times, and how we should respond to what God is doing.

1. Why did the disciples call his attention to the temple? As they sat together on the Mt of Olives, what did Jesus predict about the temple? (1--2) What questions did they ask? (3)
2. What was Jesus' response? About what did Jesus first warn his disciples? (4--5) What did he say would happen before his coming? (6--7) How did he interpret all these tumultuous things? (8) How does Jesus' metaphor of birth pains, but give us hope? (6, 30)
3. What did Jesus predict would happen to believers? (9--11) What did he say would happen when wickedness increases? (12) What should we do in such difficult times, and what is Jesus' promise? (13-14)
4. Read verse 14. What is "the gospel of the kingdom"? (1Co15:3--4) What is God doing in the end times through his servants (the elect)? (14; Mt28:19--20; Mt 25:34-36; Ac1:8)[1]
5. What instructions did Jesus give in his prediction of the fall of Jerusalem? (16--21) How does God show his love for his elect? (22) How will Satan try to deceive them? (23--26) What will be the universal sign of the Son of Man's coming? (27--30) What will he do when he comes? (30,31) Who are his elect? (25:34-39)
6. What lesson did Jesus want us to learn from the fig tree? (32--35) Who knows the day/hour when Jesus comes again? (36) How will it be like the days of Noah? (37--39) Why do you think Noah was ready?
7. How are the two men in the field and the two women grinding similar? (40--41) Why do you think one was taken and the other left? Who is the faithful and wise servant? (45-51) Why are the elect ready when the Son of Man comes?

[1] In verse 15, "the abomination that causes desolation" is a prediction that the antichrist will come (Da9:27; 2Th2:3--4).