

Signs of the End

Matthew 24:1-20; 32-35

1. THERE WILL BE MANY _____; DO NOT BE DECEIVED BY THEM.

Matt 24:4-5 *Jesus answered: “Watch out that no one deceives you.*

For many will come in my name, claiming, ‘I am the Messiah,’ and will deceive many.

2. WHEN YOU HEAR OF _____, DON’T BE ALARMED.

Matt 24:6-7a *You will hear of wars and rumors of wars, but see to it that you are not alarmed.*

Such things must happen, but the end is still to come. Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom.

3. AN INCREASE OF _____ IS OTHER INDICATOR TO WATCH FOR.

Matt 24:7b-8 *There will be famines and earthquakes in various places.*

All these are the beginning of birth pains.

4. KEEP PREACHING THE GOSPEL, EVEN IN THE MIDST OF _____.

Matt 24:9, 14 *Then you will be handed over to be persecuted and put to death, and you will be hated by all nations because of me. 14 And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.*

5. MANY WILL _____ FROM THE FAITH, BUT STAND FIRM TO THE END.

Matt 24:10-13 *At that time many will turn away from the faith and will betray and hate each other, and many false prophets will appear and deceive many people. Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold, but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved.*

6. WHEN THE TEMPLE IS _____, IT’S TIME TO GET OUT OF JERUSALEM.

Matt 24:15-20 *So when you see standing in the holy place ‘the abomination that causes desolation,’ spoken of through the prophet Daniel—let the reader understand— then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. Let no one on the housetop go down to take anything out of the house. Let no one in the field go back to get their cloak. How dreadful it will be in those days for pregnant women and nursing mothers! Pray that your flight will not take place in winter or on the Sabbath.*

7. TRUST _____: THE TEMPLE CAME DOWN IN 70 A.D.

Matt 24:32–35 *Now learn this lesson from the fig tree: As soon as its twigs get tender and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. Even so, when you see all these things, you know that it is near, right at the door. Truly I tell you, 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.*

WHAT DO THESE SIGNS TEACH US?

1. *God has a purpose for everything.*

2. *God’s word is always trustworthy.*

3. *We can have hope even as we see these signs today.*