



I. Jesus visits Jerusalem and presents Himself as Messiah

A. *Jesus humble entry into Jerusalem as Messiah—Matthew 21:8-11*

1. The people shout Psalm 118:26, *Blessed be he that cometh in the name of the LORD: we have blessed you out of the house of the LORD. Hosanna means 'send now prosperity' which will not be fulfilled until the Nation of Israel accepts her Messiah.*
2. Daniel's 70 weeks reveals the date of Israel's visitation of Messiah. (483 biblical years or 173880 days from the decree of Persian king Artaxerxes to rebuild the walls of Jerusalem to the time Jesus presents himself as Messiah to Jerusalem.)—Daniel 9:24-27
3. *Behold, your King is coming to you; He is just and having salvation, Lowly and riding on a donkey, A colt, the foal of a donkey—Zechariah 9:9*

B. *Jesus cleanses the Temple then heals the blind and lame—Matthew 21:12-17*

C. *Jesus returns the second day and curses the fig tree—Matthew 21:18-22*

1. Jeremiah saw Israel as a basket of good and evil figs, some would be preserved in Babylonian captivity and some would be destroyed. Daniel was one of the good figs—Jeremiah 24:1-10
2. God saw the forefathers of Israel as the first ripe figs on the fig tree—Hosea 9:10
3. Jesus cursing of the fig tree was in keeping of the Palestinian Covenant concerning the blessings and curses found in Deuteronomy 28:13-68

D. *Jesus chastises Israel's spiritual leaders—Matthew 21:23-27*

1. Parable of 2 sons a rebuke to the Pharisees' and Sadducees' unbelief and hypocrisy—Matthew 21:28-32
2. Parable of vinedressers a 2nd rebuke due to their rejection of the prophets and Messiah—Matthew 21:33-46
3. Parable of the Wedding Feast a 3rd rebuke warning that the Kingdom invitation would be given to Gentiles and Jerusalem would be destroyed—Matthew 22:1-14
4. Jesus challenges the leaders about the identity of Messiah—Matthew 22:41-46
5. Jesus publicly condemns Pharisees and Sadducees (8 woes)—Matthew 23:1-36

E. *Jesus leaves Jerusalem for the last time*



1. Jesus made it clear that He would not return until they accept Him as their Messiah—Matthew 23:37-39
2. *I will go and return to my place, till they acknowledge their offence, and seek my face: in their affliction they will seek me early. —Hosea 5:15*
3. God requires Israel to acknowledge their offenses before He can restore them—Leviticus 26:40-42
4. "in that day" (the 2nd coming) Israel will be restored—Zechariah 12:9-10
5. Israel missed their time of visitation—Luke 19:41-44
He saw the city and wept over it, saying, "If you had known, even you, especially in this your day, the things that make for your peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. For days will come upon you when your enemies will build an embankment around you, surround you and close you in on every side, and level you, and your children within you, to the ground; and they will not leave in you one stone upon another, because you did not know the time of your visitation."
6. Jesus prophesied Israel's dispersion—Luke 21:24
And they shall fall by the edge of the sword and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.

II. Jesus gave signs for His 2nd coming

A. *The disciples' questions—Matthew 24:1-3*

1. When shall the temple be destroyed?
2. What *shall be* the sign of thy coming?
3. And of the end of the world (age), i.e the restoration of Israel as head of nations called the Kingdom Age

B. *Israel would first be scattered to all nations—Luke 21:20-24*

C. *Religious deception, wars, famines, disease, earthquakes will increase until Christ returns. These are described as the beginning of sorrows (birth pangs). —Matthew 24:4-8*

D. *Israel persecuted —Matthew 24:9-13*

1. Gentile Nations will seek to destroy Israel.



2. The time of Jacob's trouble. *Alas! For that day is great, so that none is like it; And it is the time of Jacobs trouble, but he shall be saved out of it. (Jeremiah 30:7 NKJV)*

3. Moses Foresaw Israel's tribulation in the latter days. *When you are in distress, and all these things come upon you in the latter days, when you turn to the Lord your God and obey His voice (Deuteronomy 4:30 NKJV)*

E. *The closure of the Gospel witness after the fulfillment of the great commission—Matthew 24:14*

1. 1st wave: 144,000 Jewish evangelists

2. 2nd wave: the innumerable tribulation saints

3. 3rd wave: the two witnesses in Jerusalem

4. 4th wave: angels preaching to the ends of the earth, just as in Old Testament days.

F. *The abomination of Desolation—Matthew 24:15-22*

1. Let the reader understand—Jesus is referring to Daniel's 70 weeks which gives a timeline of Israel's restoration and covers a 490-year period.

2. *Peter asked, Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? till seven times? Jesus saith unto him, I say not unto thee, Until seven times: but, Until seventy times seven. (Matthew 18:21-22).*

3. "Seventy weeks are determined for your people and for your holy city"—Daniel 9:24-27

G. *The Sign of the SON OF MAN—Matthew 24:29-31*

1. Enoch saw it!

And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints—Jude 1:14

2. Daniel saw it!

I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven—Daniel 7:13

3. Zechariah saw it!

And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives... ..and the LORD my God shall come, and all the saints with thee. — Zechariah 14:4-5



4. John saw it!

Behold, He cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him—Revelation 1:7

5. Who are the clouds of heaven?

We are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses—Hebrews 12:1

H. The budding of the fig tree—Matthew 24:32-36

1. We are commanded to know the signs—Matthew 24:33

2. Jesus rebuked Israel's leaders for not knowing the signs—Matthew 16:2-4

3. Moses foresaw a Israel regathered in the last days—Deuteronomy 4:27; 28:64

4. God will regather Israel from all nations.

He that scattered Israel will gather him, and keep him, as a shepherd doth his flock. Though I make a full end of all nations whither I have scattered thee, yet will I not make a full end of thee—Jeremiah 30:10,11

5. God will fulfill His promise to Israel.

“Thus saith the LORD, which giveth the sun for a light by day, and the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, which divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar; The LORD of hosts is his name: If those ordinances depart from before me, saith the Lord, then the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before me for ever—Jeremiah 31:35,36

6. God will removed the blindness from the nation of Israel.

You should be ignorant of this mystery, lest you should be wise in your own opinion, that blindness in part has happened to Israel until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in. (Romans 11:25

III. Watch and be ready!

- A. *Sign of Noah—Matthew 24:36-44*

B. But take heed to yourselves, lest your hearts be weighed down with carousing, drunkenness, and cares of this life, and that Day come on you unexpectedly—Luke 21:34

- C. *Two servants (Israel, Jehovah's servant)—Matthew 24:45-51*

- D. *Ten virgins (Israel, Jehovah's virgin)—Matthew 25:1-13*



1. The wedding feast relates to the beginning of the Kingdom Age.
2. Five wise were ready to meet the bridegroom and went to the wedding feast; five foolish were shut out of the wedding feast.

E. Three stewards—Matthew 25:14-30

1. The faithful steward entered into the joy of the lord, the Kingdom Age; the unfaithful steward was cast out.
2. The talent represents the stewardship of the Gospel. *He who has (eternal life & the Gospel) will have in abundance. He who has not (eternal life & the Gospel) shall lose the life that was given him.*

F. The judgment of the Gentile Nations based on their treatment of Israel—Matthew 25:31-46

G. Jesus the prepares the disciples for His departure and introduces a mystery concerning the Church at the Last Supper—John 14:1-3; 16:12-13