



The Olivet Discourse

"when you see all these things, know that it is near-- at the doors!"
(Matthew 24:33)

1. To whom was the book of Matthew written?
2. How should the intended audience of the Book of Matt impact they way we study the Olivet Discourse?
3. Matt 24:1-2 - What did Jesus prophesy about the temple?
4. Did this prophecy of the temple come to pass?
5. Matt 24:3 - What 3 questions did the disciples ask Jesus?
6. Matt 24:3 - What assumption were the disciples making by the way they asked these questions?
7. Matt 24:4-6 - Which questions did Jesus answer?
8. Matt 24:4-5 - What did Jesus warn of?
9. Matt 24:5 - What big deception did Jesus warn us about?
10. Are there instances of people claiming to be Christ today? What are they?
11. We know what wars are, what is a rumor of war?
12. Matt 24:6 - How should Christians react to "wars and rumors of wars"?
13. Why shouldn't Christians be troubled by "wars and rumors of wars"?
14. What will cause the world as we now know it to end?
15. Matt 24:7 - What five parts are given to "the sign of Your coming"?
16. What then makes these common occurrences signs?
17. Matt 24:8 - What time frame is given for the five signs?
18. What is significant about the onset of birth pains?
19. What is the culmination of the birth pains?
20. Matt 24:9-14 - What period is described here?
21. Matt 24:9 - Who will be delivered into tribulation?
22. How do you reconcile Jesus coming to save the lost sheep of Israel with His dying so that all would be saved?
23. Matt 24:9-14 - What things do these verses say will happen during the tribulation?
24. Matt 24:9-14 - Have these things ever been fulfilled?
25. Matt 24:13 - What will happen to those who endure to the end?
26. Does this enduring to the end mean that people will earn their salvation during this period?
27. What will those who endure be saved from & to?
28. Matt 24:15 - What is the event described in this verse?
29. What does the "abomination of desolation" mean?
30. What must be in place for the great tribulation to occur?
31. Can the tribulation begin without the Jerusalem temple?
32. Does it seem likely today that there will be a Jewish temple in Jerusalem?
33. Matt 24:16-20 - What does Jesus tell the Jews living at the time to do?
34. How do we know Jesus is referring to Jews?
35. Matt 24:21 - What does our Lord call this new phase of the tribulation?
36. Matt 24:21 - What will make this period so terrible?
37. Matt 24:22 - What will characterize the tribulation?
38. When has it been possible for a war to kill all people?
39. Matt 24:22 - Why will the Lord intervene?
40. Matt 24:23-25 - What will deceive people?
41. How was Hitler a type of the Antichrist?
42. As a type of the Antichrist, what can we learn about the Antichrist from the way Hitler conducted his business?
43. What is the big lie that the world has accepted?
44. What evidence have you seen that the spirit of the antichrist is active in the world today?
45. Matt 24:26-27 - How will the Lord return to the earth?
46. It says in Acts 1:9-11 that Jesus will return the same way He left... What does this mean?
47. Matt 24:28 - What will attract the birds?
48. Matt 24:29-30 - What five miracles will happen when the Lord returns?
49. Is Matt 24:29-30 describing a supernatural event or something that can be explained by natural phenomena?
50. What do you think the sign of the Son of Man is?
51. Matt 24:30 - Why do the "tribes" mourn?
52. Matt 24:31 - Who are "the elect" of verse 31?
53. Matt 24:32-33 - What does the fig tree & summer symbolize? (see Hosea 9:10)
54. What does "bearing fruit" in the Bible symbolize?
55. How long before the fig tree of Israel will bear fruit?
56. Matt 24:34 - What generation is the Lord referring to?
57. Are we seeing Israel bud out leaves today?
58. Matt 24:35 - What is temporary and what is permanent?
59. What does it mean, God's Word will never pass away?
60. Matt 24:36 - Who knows when Christ will return?
61. If Jesus is God, why didn't He know when He was going to return?
62. Why didn't God tell the church when He would come?
63. Why would God tell the tribulation saints when Jesus would return?
64. Matt 24:37-38 - What will the days be like that preceding Christ's return?
65. What were the days of Noah like?
66. What does the days of Noah tell us about the end times?
67. How is Genesis 6:13 characteristic of today?
68. Matt 24:39 - What does it mean, "took them all away"?
69. Matt 24:40-41 - Who will be "taken"?
70. So who is taken away in Matt 24:40-41?
71. Matt 24:42 - Why should we watch for Jesus to return?
72. Matt 24:43-44 - What is the coming of the Lord compared to? Why?
73. How should the imminent return of Christ impact the way we live?