

The Olivet Discourse

Matthew 24-25	Mark 13	Luke 21
The Destruction of the Temple & End of the Age:		
1 Jesus went out from the temple, and was going on His way. His disciples came to Him to show Him the buildings of the temple.	1 As He went out of the temple, one of His disciples said to Him, “Teacher, see what kind of stones and what kind of buildings!”	5 As some were talking about the temple and how it was decorated with beautiful stones and gifts, He said,
2 But He answered them, “You see all of these things, don’t you? Most certainly I tell you, there will not be left here one stone on another, that will not be thrown down.”	2 Jesus said to him, “Do you see these great buildings? There will not be left here one stone on another, which will not be thrown down.”	6 “As for these things which you see, the days will come, in which there will not be left here one stone on another that will not be thrown down.”
3{a} As He sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, [...]	3 As He sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked Him privately,	
3{b} [...] saying, “Tell us, when will these things be? What is the sign of Your coming, and of the end of the age?”	4 “Tell us, when will these things be? What is the sign that these things are all about to be fulfilled?”	7 They asked Him, “Teacher, so when will these things be? What is the sign that these things are about to happen?”
4 Jesus answered them, “Be careful that no one leads you astray.”	5 Jesus, answering, began to tell them, “Be careful that no one leads you astray.”	8{a} He said, “Watch out that you don’t get led astray,” [...]
5 “For many will come in My name, saying, ‘I am the Messiah,’ and will lead many astray.”	6 “For many will come in My name, saying, ‘I am He!’ and will lead many astray.”	8{b} [...] “for many will come in My name, saying, ‘I am He,’ and, ‘The time is at hand.’ Therefore, don’t follow them.”
6 “You will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you aren’t troubled, for all this must happen, but the end is not yet.”	7 “When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, don’t be troubled. For those must happen, but the end is not yet.”	9 “When you hear of wars and disturbances, don’t be terrified, for these things must happen first, but the end won’t come immediately.”
7{a} “For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom;” [...]	8{a} “For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom.” [...]	10 Then He said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom.”
7{b} [...] “and there will be famines, plagues, and earthquakes in various places.”	8{b} [...] “There will be earthquakes in various places. There will be famines and troubles.” [...]	11 “There will be great earthquakes, famines, and plagues in various places. There will be terrors and great signs from Heaven.”
8 “But all these things are the beginning of birth pains.”	8{c} [...] “These things are the beginning of birth pains.”	
	9{a} “But watch yourselves,” [...]	
		12{a} “But before all these things, they will lay their hands on you and will persecute you,” [...]

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9{a} “Then they will deliver you up to oppression,” [...]	9{b} [...] “for they will deliver you up to councils.” [...]	
9{b} [...] “and will kill you.” [...]		
	9{c} [...] “You will be beaten in synagogues. You will stand before rulers and kings for My sake, for a testimony to them.”	12{b} [...] “delivering you up to synagogues and prisons, bringing you before kings and governors for My name’s sake.”
9{c} [...] “You will be hated by all of the nations for My name’s sake.”		
10 “Then many will stumble, and will deliver up one another, and will hate one another.”		
11 “Many false prophets will arise, and will lead many astray.”		
12 “Because iniquity will be multiplied, the love of many will grow cold.”		
13 “But he who endures to the end, the same will be saved.”		
14{a} “This Good News of the Kingdom will be preached in the whole world” [...]	10 “The Good News must first be preached to all the nations.”	
14{b} [...] “for a testimony to all the nations,” [...]		13 “It will turn out as a testimony for you.”
14{c} [...] “and then the end will come.”		
	11{a} “When they lead you away and deliver you up, don’t be anxious beforehand, or premeditate what you will say,” [...]	14 “Settle it therefore in your hearts not to meditate beforehand how to answer,”
	11{b} [...] “but say whatever will be given you in that hour. For it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit.”	15 “for I will give you a mouth and wisdom which all your adversaries will not be able to withstand or to contradict.”
	12 “Brother will deliver up brother to death, and the father his child. Children will rise up against parents, and cause them to be put to death.”	16 “You will be handed over even by parents, brothers, relatives, and friends. They will cause some of you to be put to death.”
	13{a} “You will be hated by all men for My name’s sake,” [...]	17 “You will be hated by all men for My name’s sake.”

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	13{b} [...] “but he who endures to the end, the same will be saved.”	
		18 “And not a hair of your head will perish.”
		19 “By your endurance you will win your lives.”
		20 “But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation is at hand.”
15 “When, therefore, you see the abomination of desolation, which was spoken of through Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand),” ¹	14{a} “But when you see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing where it ought not (let the reader understand),” [...]	
16 “then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains.”	14{b} [...] “then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains,”	21{a} “Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains.” [...]
		21{b} [...] “Let those who are in the middle of her depart. Let those who are in the country not enter therein.”
17 “Let him who is on the housetop not go down to take out the things that are in his house.”	15 “and let him who is on the housetop not go down, nor enter in, to take anything out of his house.”	
18 “Let him who is in the field not return back to get his clothes.”	16 “Let him who is in the field not return back to take his cloak.”	
		22 “For these are days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.” ²
19 “But woe to those who are pregnant and to nursing mothers in those days!”	17 “But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who nurse babies in those days!”	23{a} “Woe to those who are pregnant and to those who nurse infants in those days!” [...]
		23{b} [...] “For there will be great distress in the land, and wrath to this people.”
		24 “They will fall by the edge of the sword, and will be led captive into all the nations. Jerusalem will be trampled down by the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.”

¹ Mt 24:15; Mk 13:14a ref: Daniel 9:27; 11:31; 12:11.

² This is a general reference to the fulfillment of Old Testament prophecies regarding the end of the age rather than a reference to one passage in particular.

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20{a} “Pray that your flight will not be in the winter,” [...]	18 “Pray that your flight won’t be in the winter.”	
20{b} [...] “nor on a Sabbath,”		
21 “for then there will be great oppression, such as has not been from the beginning of the world until now, no, nor ever will be.”	19 “For in those days there will be oppression, such as there has not been the like from the beginning of the creation which God created until now, and never will be.”	
22 “Unless those days had been shortened, no one would be saved. But for the sake of the chosen ones, those days will be shortened.”	20 “Unless the Lord had shortened the days, no one would be saved; but for the sake of the chosen ones, whom He picked out, He shortened the days.”	
23 “Then if any man tells you, ‘Behold, here is the Messiah,’ or, ‘There,’ don’t believe it.”	21 “Then if anyone tells you, ‘Look, here is the Messiah!’ or, ‘Look, there!’ don’t believe it.”	
24 “For there will arise false messiahs, and false prophets, and they will show great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the chosen ones.”	22 “For there will arise false messiahs and false prophets, and will show signs and wonders, that they may lead astray, if possible, even the chosen ones.”	
25 “Behold, I have told you beforehand.”	23 “But you watch. Behold, I have told you all things beforehand.”	
26 “If therefore they tell you, ‘Behold, He is in the wilderness,’ don’t go out; ‘Behold, He is in the inner rooms,’ don’t believe it.”		
27 “For as the lightning flashes from the east, and is seen even to the west, so will be the coming of the Son of Man.”		
28 “For wherever the carcass is, that is where the vultures gather together.”		
The Return of Christ:		
29{a} “But immediately after the oppression of those days, ‘the sun will be darkened, the moon will not give its light,’ [...]” ³	24 “But in those days, after that oppression, ‘the sun will be darkened, the moon will not give its light,’”	25{a} “There will be signs in the sun, moon,” [...]
29{b} [...] “‘the stars will fall from the sky,’” [...]” ⁴	25{a} “‘the stars will be falling from the sky,’” [...]	25{b} [...] “and stars;” [...]

³ Mt 24:29a; Mk 13:24 ref: Isaiah 13:10.

⁴ Mt 24:29b; Mk 13:25a ref: Isaiah 13:10.

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		25{c} [...] “and on the earth anxiety of nations, in perplexity for the roaring of the sea and the waves;”
		26{a} “men fainting for fear, and for expectation of the things which are coming on the world:” [...]
29{c} [...] “and the powers of the heavens will be shaken;” ⁵	25{b} [...] “and the powers that are in the heavens will be shaken.”	26{b} [...] “for the powers of the heavens will be shaken.”
30{a} “and then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky. Then all the tribes of the earth will mourn,” [...]		
30{b} [...] “and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of the sky with power and great glory.” ⁶	26 “Then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory.”	27 “Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.”
		28 “But when these things begin to happen, look up, and lift up your heads, because your redemption is near.”
31 “He will send out His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they will gather together His chosen ones from the four winds, from one end of the sky to the other.”	27 “Then He will send out His angels, and will gather together His chosen ones from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of the sky.”	
32{a} “Now from the fig tree learn this parable.” [...]	28{a} “Now from the fig tree, learn this parable.” [...]	29 He told them a parable. “See the fig tree, and all the trees.”
32{b} [...] “When its branch has now become tender, and produces its leaves, you know that the summer is near.”	28{b} [...] “When the branch has now become tender, and produces its leaves, you know that the summer is near;”	30 “When they are already budding, you see it and know by your own selves that the summer is already near.”
33 “Even so you also, when you see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors.”	29 “even so you also, when you see these things coming to pass, know that it is near, at the doors.”	31 “Even so you also, when you see these things happening, know that God’s Kingdom is near.”
34 “Most certainly I tell you, this generation will not pass away, until all these things are accomplished.”	30 “Most certainly I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things happen.”	32 “Most certainly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things are accomplished.”
35 “Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away.”	31 “Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away.”	33 “Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away.”

⁵ Mt 24:29c; Mk 13:25b; Lk 21:26b ref: Isaiah 34:4.

⁶ Mt 24:30b; Mk 13:26; Lk 21:27 ref: Daniel 7:13.

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36 “But no one knows of that day and hour, not even the angels of Heaven, nor the Son, but My Father only.”	32{a} “But of that day or that hour no one knows, not even the angels in Heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.”	
37 “As the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man.”		
38 “For as in those days which were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ship,”		
39 “and they didn’t know until the flood came, and took them all away, so will be the coming of the Son of Man.”		
40 “Then two men will be in the field: one will be taken and one will be left.”		
41 “Two women will be grinding at the mill: one will be taken and one will be left.”		
		34 “So be careful, or your hearts will be loaded down with carousing, drunkenness, and cares of this life, and that day will come on you suddenly.”
		35 “For it will come like a snare on all those who dwell on the surface of all the earth.”
42{a} “Watch therefore,” [...]	33{a} “Watch, keep alert,” [...]	36{a} “Therefore be watchful all the time,” [...]
	33{b} [...] “and pray;” [...]	36{b} [...] “praying” [...]
		36{c} [...] “that you may be counted worthy to escape all these things that will happen, and to stand before the Son of Man.”
42{b} [...] “for you don’t know in what hour your Lord comes.”	33{c} [...] “for you don’t know when the time is.”	
43 “But know this, that if the master of the house had known in what watch of the night the thief was coming, he would have watched, and would not have allowed his house to be broken into.”		
44 “Therefore also be ready, for in an hour that you don’t expect, the Son of Man will come.”		

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<i>(The Parable of the Faithful and Evil Servants — Matthew 24:45-51)</i>		
The Parable of the Doorkeeper:		
	34 “It is like a man, traveling to another country, having left his house, and given authority to his servants, and to each one his work, and also commanded the doorkeeper to keep watch.”	
	35 “Watch therefore, for you don’t know when the lord of the house is coming, whether at evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or in the morning;”	
	36 “lest coming suddenly He might find you sleeping.”	
	37 “What I tell you, I tell all: Watch.”	
<i>(The Parable of the Ten Virgins — Matthew 25:1-13)</i>		
<i>(The Parable of the Talents — Matthew 25:14-30)</i>		
<i>(The Judgment of the Nations — Matthew 25:31-46)</i>		