



Things to Come

Mark 13:1-23

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MARK 

**I don't know how
but I know who!**

***“And I am sure of this, that he who
began a work in you will bring it to
completion at the day of Jesus
Christ.” Php 1:6***



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***“God has promised forgiveness
to your repentance, but He has
not promised tomorrow to your
procrastination.” Augustine***



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13:1,2 As He was going out of the temple, one of His disciples said to Him, “Teacher, behold what wonderful stones and what wonderful buildings!” And Jesus said to him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left upon another which will not be torn down.”

3,4 As He was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew were questioning Him privately, "Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the [fn]sign when all these things are going to be fulfilled?"

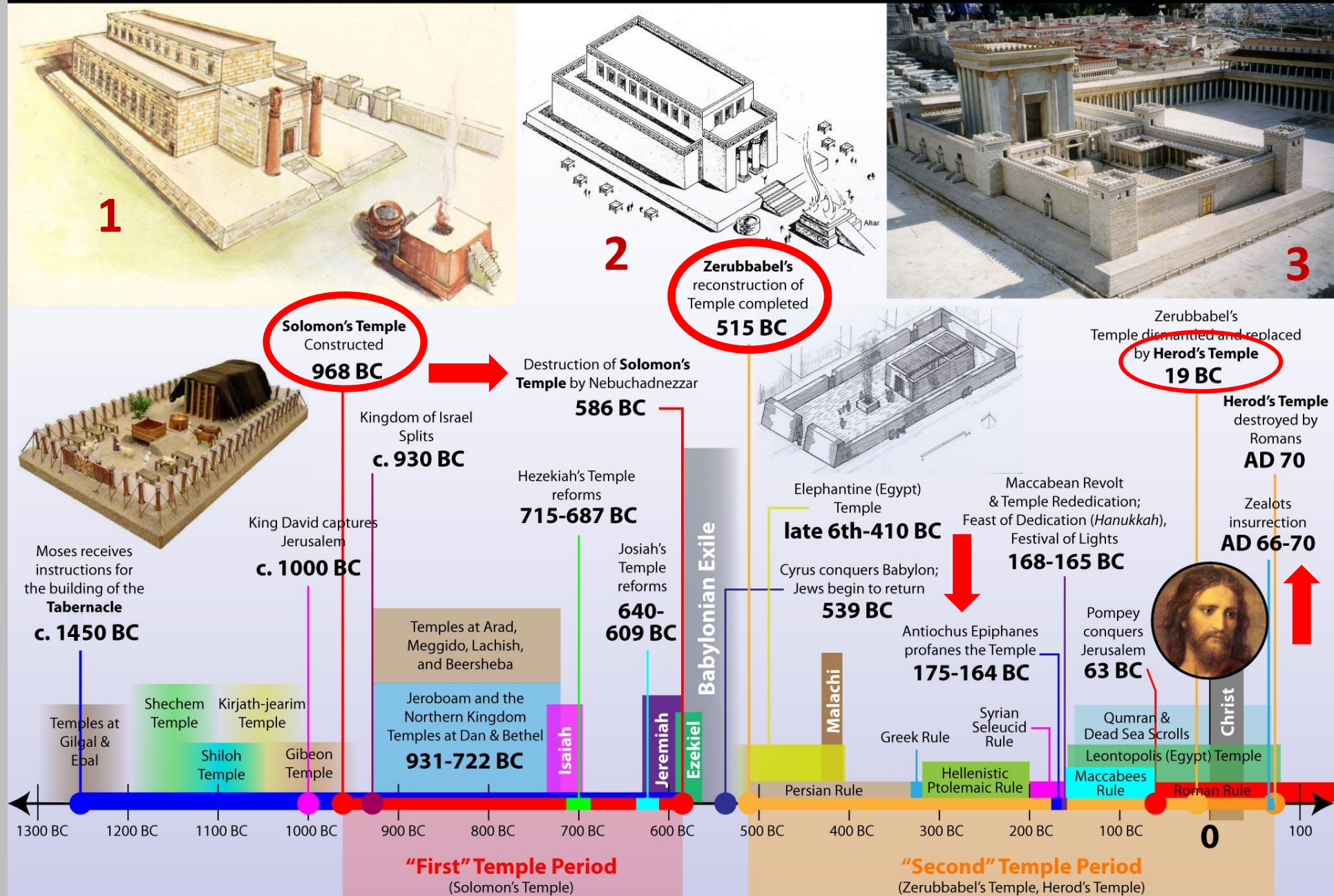
5-7 And Jesus began to say to them, “See to it that no one misleads you. Many will come in My name, saying, ‘I am He!’ and will mislead many. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be frightened; those things must take place; but that is not yet the end.

8 For nation will rise up against nation,
and kingdom against kingdom; there will
be earthquakes in various places; there
will also be famines. These things are
merely the beginning of birth pangs.

Don't Be Misled 1-8

- Cannot trust stones
- When will these things be?
- 'many will come in My name...'
- Bad times – bad men – YET...
- 'sorrows' – labor pains

ANCIENT ISRAELITE TEMPLES TIMELINE (1300 BC—AD 100)



“God recorded in His Word specific instances of His sovereign rule over history in order that we might trust Him in the affairs of history as they unfold before us today.” Jerry Bridges



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9,10 “But be on your guard; for they will deliver you to the courts, and you will be flogged in the synagogues, and you will stand before governors and kings for My sake, as a testimony to them. The gospel must first be preached to all the nations.

11 When they arrest you and hand you over, do not worry beforehand about what you are to say, but say whatever is given you in that hour; for it is not you who speak, but it is the Holy Spirit.

12,13 Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child; and children will rise up against parents and have them put to death. You will be hated by all because of My name, but the one who endures to the end, he will be saved.

Don't Be Misused 9-13

- Faith will be scorned
- Believers will be killed
- Families will be shattered
- Friends will betray
- 'hupomeno' – endure!

“I believe that this world, as we know it, will come to an end...This is not fanciful imagination but the clear and repeated testimony of the Bible.” Billy Graham



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14 “But when you see the ABOMINATION OF DESOLATION standing where it should not be (let the reader understand), then those who are in Judea must flee to the mountains.

15-17 The one who is on the housetop must not go down, or go in to get anything out of his house; and the one who is in the field must not turn back to get his coat. But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days!

18,19 But pray that it may not happen in the winter. For those days will be a time of tribulation such as has not occurred since the beginning of the creation which God created until now, and never will.

20,21 Unless the Lord had shortened those days, no life would have been saved; but for the sake of the elect, whom He chose, He shortened the days. And then if anyone says to you, 'Behold, here is the Christ'; or, 'Behold, He is there'; do not believe him;

22,23 for false Christs and false prophets will arise, and will show signs and wonders, in order to lead astray, if possible, the elect. But take heed; behold, I have told you everything in advance.

Don't Be Mistaken

- There will be a catastrophic event
- Daniel 11:31 – Epiphanes? Titus?
- Flee and trust to God's hand
- Tribulation as never before
- False Messiah – NO!

***"Live as if you thought that Christ
might come at any time."*** J.C. Ryle



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Why tell so much w/o date?

- Take heed –
 - purifying effect
 - sense of urgency
 - boldness of faith
 - not attached to world

***“The longing to see Christ that
burned in the breasts of those
first Christians seems to have
burned itself out.
All we have left are the ashes.”***
AW Tozer



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***“Precisely because we cannot
predict the moment, we must
be ready at
all moments.”***

C. S. Lewis



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“One day – it did rain!”



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