

## I. The Curious Question We Want Answered (1-3)

A. The shocker from Jesus (1-2) – “Jesus left the temple and was going away, when his disciples came to point out to him the buildings of the temple. 2 But he answered them, “You see all these, do you not? Truly, I say to you, there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.”

B. The desire for clarity from the disciples - “As He sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, “Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the close of the age?””

## II. The Visible Signs We Must Not Ignore (4-12)

A. False christs (4-5) - “And Jesus answered them, “See that no one leads you astray. 5 For many will come in My name, saying, ‘I am the Christ,’ and they will lead many astray.”

B. International conflict (6-8) - “And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not alarmed, for this must take place, but the end is not yet. 7 For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be famines and earthquakes in various places. 8 All these are but the beginning of the birth pains.”

C. Increasing persecution (9) - “Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and put you to death, and you will be hated by all nations for my name’s sake.”

D. Abandoning of the faith (10-11) - “And then many will fall away and betray one another and hate one another. 11 And many false prophets will arise and lead many astray.”

E. Hardening of hearts (12) - “And because lawlessness will be increased, the love of many will grow cold.”

## IV. The Promised Victory for All Who Overcome (13-14)

A. The characteristic of the victorious (13) - “But the one who endures to the end will be saved.”

B. The care for the lost (14) - “And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.”