



Last Things

Matthew 24:3-14

And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come. ¹⁵ “So when you see standing in the holy place ‘the abomination that causes desolation,’ spoken of through the prophet Daniel—let the reader understand— ¹⁶ then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. ¹⁷ Let no one on the housetop go down to take anything out of the house. ¹⁸ Let no one in the field go back to get their cloak. ¹⁹ How dreadful it will be in those days for pregnant women and nursing mothers! ²⁰ Pray that your flight will not take place in winter or on the Sabbath. ²¹ For then there will be great distress, unequaled from the beginning of the world until now—and never to be equaled again.

²² “If those days had not been cut short, no one would survive, but for the sake of the elect, those days will be shortened.

1. Sequence of Last Things (Eschatology 101)

- The last _____. (V 14, Mark 13:10) (Unreached, Unengaged Peoples)
- The last terrestrial **BIRTH** pain (**Great Tribulation**) (V 15-22)

²³ At that time, if anyone says to you, ‘Look, here is the Messiah!’ or, ‘There he is!’ do not believe it. ²⁴ For false messiahs and false prophets will appear and perform great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect. ²⁵ See, I have told you ahead of time. ²⁶ “So if anyone tells you, ‘There he is, out in the wilderness,’ do not go out; or, ‘Here he is, in the inner rooms,’ do not believe it. ²⁷ For as lightning that comes from the east is visible even in the west, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. ²⁸ Wherever there is a carcass, there the vultures will gather. ²⁹ “Immediately after the distress of those days, “the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from the sky, and the heavenly bodies will be shaken.”

- The last False **PROPHET’S** Signs and Wonders (V 23-24)
- The last _____ sign. (V 29)

³⁰ “Then will appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven. And then all the peoples of the earth will mourn when they see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven, with power and great glory. ³¹ And he will send his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of the heavens to the other.

- The last _____ (Revelation 6:9)
- The last **ADVENT** of Christ (Second Coming) (V 30-31)
- _____ or **CATCHING** Away. (V 31, 1 Thes. 4:16-17, Rev, 1:7)
- The last **1000** years. (Millenium or Golden Age) (Rev 20:1-6)
- The last Resurrection and **Judgment**. (Rev 20 11-15)
- **NEW** Heaven and New Earth (Rev 21)
- _____ Restored. (Rev 22)

2. This Should Compell Us To Live:

- for the **GLORY** of God. (Romans 12:13, 1 Peter 4:7-9)
- on **MISSION**. (Matthew 24:14, 2 Peter 2:5)

Please pick up the *Eschatology 101* handout, an introductory guide to the biblical study of end times. This handout provides an overview of key topics, themes, and terms associated with eschatology, drawing from ***Scripture, systematic theology texts (Grudem, 1999; Williams, 1992), and other resources.*** It is not a timeline of events but rather a thematic introduction.

Reflect and Discuss

1. What is the Holy Spirit speaking to you in today's message?
2. What actions will you take to live on Mission?
3. Take a moment and prayerfully write out your response.

Helene Relief Opportunities

Western NC Hurricane Relief

1. **Pray** for **THOSE** impacted by the storm. (FL, GA, SC, NC, VA)
2. **Financial Contributions:**
 - **Check memo:** Disaster Relief
 - **Online giving:** Disaster Relief
3. **Sign up** if you can assist with on-site clean-up/repairs (Dates TBD)

Next Week “Essential Qualities of an End Time Church”

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER

SUNDAY
17

Kids Christmas Program rehearsals
Sandwich Sunday
Teen Small Group @ 3:30PM

SUNDAY
24

Kids Christmas Program rehearsals
Teen Small Group @ 3:30PM

DECEMBER

SUNDAY
1

Kids Christmas Program rehearsals
Growth Track Cycle Begins
Teen Small Group @ 3:30PM

SUNDAY
15

Kids Christmas Program rehearsals
Teen Small Group @ 3:30PM

FRIDAY
6

SERVE TEAM
CHRISTMAS PARTY

SUNDAY
22

ONE SERVICE AT 10 AM
WITH KIDS
CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

SUNDAY
8

Kids Christmas Program rehearsals
Growth Track
Teen Small Group @ 3:30PM

SUNDAY
29

ONE SERVICE AT 10 AM

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