



## End of the Age

Matthew 24:3-14



### End Times Q&A

Matthew 24



#### The Disciples' Questions

#### Matthew 24:3

<sup>3</sup> 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 end of the age?"



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When will the end come and how will we know it's coming?



#### Jesus' Answers Structure

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- A | When will these things be (v. 3b)
  - B | What will be the sign of your coming (v. 3c)
    - C | ... and [what will be the sign] of the end of the Age (v. 3d)
    - C'| Signs of the end of the Age (v. 4–11)
  - B' | Specific signs of Jesus' coming (v. 15–35)
- A' | The question of timing (v. 36–51)

Disciples' Questions		Jesus' Answers (in reverse order)	
v3b	Question One	v36–51	Answer (16 verses)
v3b	"Tell us, when <b>will be</b> these things?"	v36	"But concerning <b>that day and hour</b> no one knows."
		v44	"Therefore, you also must be ready for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect."
		v50	"the master of that servant will come on a day when he does not expect him and at an hour he does not know."

Disciples' Questions		Jesus' Answers (in reverse order)	
v3c	Question Two	V15-35	Answer (21 verses)
v3c	" and what [will be] the sign of your coming"	v27	"For as the lightning comes from the east and shines as far as the west, so will be the coming of the Son of Man."
		v29–30	"Then will appear in heaven the sign of the Son of Man and they will see the Son of Man coming.

Disciples' Questions		Jesus' Answers (in reverse order)	
v3d	Question Three	V14-14	Answer (11 verses)
v3d	" and [what will be the sign] of <b>the</b> end of the age?"	v6c v13 v14c	" but <b>the end</b> is not yet."  "But the one who endures to <b>the end</b> will be saved."  "And then will be <b>the end</b> ."



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### Part I | General Signs of End of Age

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- B. Sign #2-Global Pain | v. 6-8
- C. Sign #3-Christian Persecution | v. 9-13
- D. Sign #4–Gospel Proclamation | v. 14



## Sign #1 – Messianic Pretenders

**Matthew 24:4-5** 

<sup>4</sup> And Jesus answered them, "See that no one leads you astray. <sup>5</sup> For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and they will lead many astray.



## General Signs of End of Age

Sign #1 – Messianic Pretenders will arise

Don't Be Deceived!

**Expect frauds and keep waiting for Jesus** 



#### **Matthew 24:6-8**

<sup>6</sup> 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. <sup>7</sup> 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.



**Isaiah 26:1** 

<sup>1</sup> In that day this song will be sung in the land of Judah:

"We have a strong city; he sets up salvation as walls and bulwarks.



Isaiah 26:16-17

- <sup>16</sup> O Lord, in distress they sought you; they poured out a whispered prayer when your discipline was upon them.
- Like a pregnant woman who writhes and cries out in her pangs when she is near to giving birth, so were we because of you, O Lord;



**Isaiah 26:18** 

We were pregnant, we writhed, but we have given birth to wind. We have accomplished no deliverance in the earth, and the inhabitants of the world have not fallen.



**Isaiah 26:19** 

19 Your dead shall live; their bodies shall rise. You who dwell in the dust, awake and sing for joy!

For your dew is a dew of light, and the earth will give birth to the dead.



**Isaiah 26:20** 

Come, my people, enter your chambers, and shut your doors behind you; hide yourselves for a little while until the fury has passed by.



**Isaiah 26:21** 

<sup>21</sup> For behold, the Lord is coming out from his place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity, and the earth will disclose the blood shed on it, and will no more cover its slain.



#### Micah 4:6

In that day, declares the Lord,
I will assemble the lame
and gather those who have been driven away
and those whom I have afflicted;



#### Micah 4:7

<sup>7</sup> and the lame I will make the remnant, and those who were cast off, a strong nation; and the Lord will reign over them in Mount Zion from this time forth and forevermore.



Micah 4:8

And you, O tower of the flock, hill of the daughter of Zion, to you shall it come, the former dominion shall come, kingship for the daughter of Jerusalem.



Micah 4:9

Now why do you cry aloud? Is there no king in you? Has your counselor perished, that pain seized you like a woman in labor?



Micah 4:10

Writhe and groan, O daughter of Zion, like a woman in labor, for now you shall go out from the city and dwell in the open country; you shall go to Babylon.



Micah 4:10

There you shall be rescued; there the Lord will redeem you from the hand of your enemies.



## General Signs of End of Age

Sign #2 – Global Pain will increase

Don't Panic!

**Expect trouble and keep trusting the God who is in control** 



## Sign #3 – Christian Persecution

**Matthew 24:9-13** 

<sup>9</sup> "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. <sup>10</sup> And then many will fall away and betray one another and hate one another.



## Sign #3 – Christian Persecution

**Matthew 24:9-13** 

<sup>11</sup> And many false prophets will arise and lead many astray. <sup>12</sup> And because lawlessness will be increased, the love of many will grow cold. <sup>13</sup> But the one who endures to the end will be saved.



## General Signs of End of Age

Sign #3 – Christian Persecution will intensify

Don't Give Up!

Endure persecution by holding on to your Savior to the end



## Sign #4 – Gospel Proclamation

**Matthew 24:14** 

<sup>14</sup> 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.



### General Signs of End of Age

# Sign #4 – Global Proclamation will advance to completion

Don't Get Distracted!

Steward your time, talent, and treasure to advance the Gospel worldwide



# **Conclusion**Faithful endurance

