

Labor Pains
Signs of the Times Message Series Week 5
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**Labor pains that point to the end of the world from
Mathew 24:1-31:**

1. **Light contractions** (Matthew 24:4-8)
 - A. First half of the tribulation
 - B. Many false messiahs
 - C. Wars and rumors of wars
 - D. Raging of nations
 - E. Famines
 - F. Earthquakes

2. **Full labor** (Matthew 24:9-26)
 - A. Second half of the tribulation
 - B. Martyrdom
 - C. Hatred
 - D. Spiritual apostasy and betrayal
 - E. Increased wickedness
 - F. Worldwide gospel proclamation (Revelation 7:9)
 - G. Abomination of desolation

3. **Birth** (Matthew 24:27-35)
 - A. Second coming of Christ (Revelation 19:11-16)
 - B. Catastrophic cosmic failure
 - C. Dramatic appearance
 - D. No doubt

Application:

1. Get the word out! (Matthew 28:19)
2. Aim at heaven. (Colossians 3:1-2)

“Aim at heaven and you will get earth thrown in. Aim at each and you get neither.”

-C.S. Lewis

“Live as if Christ is coming back in the next ten minutes. Plan as if He is not coming back for a thousand years.”

-Dr. Roger Barrier

Discussion Questions:

1. Who is God asking you to share His love with?
2. How can you help get the gospel to the nations?
3. How can you aim at heaven today?

Recommended Reading:

The Book of Signs by Dr. David Jeremiah