

**JESUS WORDS ABOUT "END TIME EVENTS" pt 5
(Matthew 24-25)**

I. Understanding the Olivet Discourse

- It was a **farewell** message to Israel from their **rejected** King. Here He speaks to His disciples about future **end time** events concerning the nation – this zeroed in on the **70th week of Daniel** that is yet to be fulfilled.

A. A General Overview of Israel's Future – the 70th week of Daniel (24:4-14)

1. Last time we mentioned that Israel's rabbis believed all of world history was to be divided in to two phases:
 - a. The rabbis taught that the Messiah would be present to end the first phase in **judgment** as it was characterized by evil corrupt **governments**. (ie the Times of the Gentiles)
 - b. Christ would then establish a new **righteous government** where there would be **justice, peace, & prosperity** for all. (Millennium)
2. We understood that Mt 24:4-14 covered the tribulation period generally, but it seems to be divided into 2 halves: 3½ years – **the beginning of sorrows** & 3½ years – **the Great Tribulation**

B. The Beginning Birth Pangs (Mt 24:4-8) & The Seal Judgments (Rev. 6) & the Coming Day of the Lord (Isa. 13:6-13; Zeph. 1:14-18).

1. The first 4 seals are the 4 horsemen of the Apocalypse: they bring: 1) a short lived _____, 2) a world _____, 3) a world facing _____, _____ & great _____, and 4) finally _____ to _____ of the world's population.
2. The last 3 seals...include – 5th seal - more _____ & _____, the 6th seal – _____ and disturbances, then the 7th seal introduces us to the _____ Judgments mostly in the _____ half of the tribulation

C. The Second Half of the Tribulation (Mt. 24:9-14)

- What will this time period include? There will be...
1. Severe _____/_____ of the Jewish people (Mt. 24:9)
 2. Abounding evidence of _____ in the world (Mt. 24:10)
 3. A loss of _____ and _____ by people

4. The rise of many _____ (Mt. 24:11)

- What is the objective of these false teachers during the tribulation? (Mt. 24:12)

5. _____ for those who _____ to the end of the tribulation (Mt. 24:13)

6. The gospel of the _____ again would to be _____ (Mt. 24:14)

- There have been _____ saving messages or gospels preached at _____ times in the bible.
- This is based on the fact that...“*Without _____ it is impossible to please God!*” (Hebrews 11:6)

a. John the Baptist, Jesus, and the disciples preached the *gospel of the Kingdom* to the _____ of Israel in the early chapters of Matthew, but the nation _____ it. Not accepting Christ as their king meant the kingdom offer was _____ to a later time.

b. In **John 3**, Jesus is offering Nicodemus _____ or entrance into the _____ of God via the _____. (3:3, 5)

c. In **1 Corinthians 15**, after the cross, Paul defined the *gospel of the grace of God*, for the present dispensation, as _____ in Christ’s death, and resurrection! Since the cross, God is _____ saving sinners through _____ in the “*gospel of the grace of God*”. So I believe that this message _____ in the tribulation at this time as well.

- So why are they to preach the “*gospel of the kingdom*” _____ in the 70th week of Daniel, as Jesus said here in Mt 24:14?

“*witness*” here means “to _____” as one would in a court room for the prosecution against opponents as a “*proof*” of _____ ! And here to _____ the world!

d. The message “*Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!*” needs to be preached as a _____ / _____ to the whole _____ that God is about to _____ the Antichrist’s false global system/kingdom (ie the Times of the Gentiles at Armageddon) and _____ His Kingdom (ie the Millennium) on the _____ just as He promised.

*Well, what’s going to happen?