

Passion Week—The Olivet Discourse: Setting (Tuesday, March 31, 33)

Matthew 24:1–2	Mark 13:1–2	Luke 21:5–6
<p>1 And <i>as</i> Jesus went out of the temple <i>courts</i> he was going along, and his disciples came up to point out to him the buildings of the temple.</p> <p>2 But he answered <i>and</i> said to them, “Do you not see all these <i>things</i>? Truly I say to you, not <i>one</i> stone will be left here on <i>another</i> stone that will not be thrown down!”</p>	<p>1 And <i>as</i> he was going out of the temple <i>courts</i>, one of his disciples said to him, “Teacher, look! What great stones and what wonderful buildings!”</p> <p>2 And Jesus said to him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not <i>one</i> stone will be left here on <i>another</i> stone that will not be thrown down!”</p>	<p>5 And <i>while</i> some were speaking about the temple, that it was adorned with precious stones and votive offerings, he said,</p> <p>6 “<i>As for</i> these <i>things</i> that you see—days will come in which not <i>one</i> stone will be left on <i>another</i> stone that will not be thrown down!”</p>

Passion Week—The Olivet Discourse: Three Questions (Tuesday, March 31, 33)

Matthew 24:3	Mark 13:3–4	Luke 21:7
<p>3 And <i>as</i> he was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came up to him privately, saying, “Tell us, when will these <i>things</i> happen, and what <i>will be</i> the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?”</p>	<p>3 And <i>as</i> he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew asked him privately,</p> <p>4 “Tell us, when will these <i>things</i> happen, and what <i>will be</i> the sign when all these <i>things</i> are about to be accomplished?”</p>	<p>7 And they asked him, saying, “Teacher, when therefore will these <i>things</i> happen, and what <i>will be</i> the sign when these <i>things</i> are about to take place?”</p>

Passion Week—The Olivet Discourse: Characteristics of the Present Age (Tuesday, March 31, 33)

Matthew 24:4–6	Mark 13:5–7	Luke 21:8–9
<p>4 And Jesus answered <i>and</i> said to them, “Watch out that no one deceives you!</p> <p>5 For many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am the Christ,’ and they will deceive many.</p> <p>6 And you are going to hear about wars and rumors of wars. See to it that you are not alarmed, for this must happen, but the end is not yet.</p>	<p>5 So Jesus began to say to them, “Watch out that no one deceives you!</p> <p>6 Many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am <i>he</i>,’ and they will deceive many.</p> <p>7 And when you hear about wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. This must happen, but the end <i>is</i> not yet.</p>	<p>8 And he said, Watch out that you are not deceived! For many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am <i>he</i>,’ and ‘The time is near!’</p> <p>Do not go after them!</p> <p>9 And when you hear about wars and insurrections, do not be terrified, for these <i>things</i> must happen first, but the end <i>will not be</i> at once.”</p>

Passion Week—The Olivet Discourse: Events Prior to the Tribulation (Tuesday, March 31, 33)

Matthew 24:7–8	Mark 13:8	Luke 21:10–11
<p>7 For nation will rise up against nation and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be famines and earthquakes in <i>various</i> places.</p> <p>8 But all these <i>things are</i> the beginning of birth pains. [Jer 30:6–7]</p>	<p>8 For nation will rise up against nation and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in <i>various</i> places. There will be famines.</p> <p>These <i>things are</i> the beginning of birth pains.</p>	<p>10 Then he said to them, “Nation will rise up against nation and kingdom against kingdom.</p> <p>11 There will be great earthquakes and famines and plagues in <i>various</i> places. There will be terrible sights and great signs from heaven.</p>

Passion Week—The Olivet Discourse: Persecution of the Disciples (Tuesday, March 31, 33)

Mark 13:9–13	Luke 21:12–19
<p>9 “But you, watch out for yourselves! They will hand you over to councils and you will be beaten in the synagogues and will have to stand before governors and kings because of me, for a witness to them. 10 And the gospel must first be proclaimed to all the nations. 11 And when they arrest you <i>and</i> hand you over, do not be anxious beforehand what you should say, but whatever is given to you at that hour, say this.</p> <p>For you are not the ones who are speaking, but the Holy Spirit. 12 And brother will hand over brother to death, and a father <i>his</i> child, and children will rise up against parents and have them put to death. 13 And you will be hated by all because of my name.</p> <p>But the one who endures to the end—this one will be saved.</p>	<p>12 “But before all these <i>things</i>, they will lay their hands on you and will persecute <i>you</i>, handing <i>you</i> over to the synagogues and prisons. You will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. 13 This will turn out to you for a <i>time of witness</i>.</p> <p>14 Therefore make up your minds not to prepare in advance to speak in your own defense, 15 for I will give you a mouth and wisdom that all your opponents will not be able to resist or contradict.</p> <p>16 And you will be handed over even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and they will put to death <i>some</i> of you. 17 And you will be hated by all because of my name. 18 Even a hair of your head will never perish! 19 By your patient endurance you will gain your lives.</p>

Passion Week—The Olivet Discourse: Sign of the Fall of Jerusalem (Tuesday, March 31, 33)

Luke 21:20–24
<p>20 “But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation has come near. 21 Then those in Judea must flee to the mountains, and those inside it must depart, and those in the fields must not enter into it, 22 because these are days of vengeance, <i>so that</i> all the things that are written can be fulfilled. 23 Woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing <i>their babies</i> in those days! For there will be great distress on the earth and wrath against this people, 24 and they will fall by the edge of the sword, and will be led captive into all the nations, and Jerusalem will be trampled down by the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.</p>

Passion Week—The Olivet Discourse: First Half of the Tribulation (Tuesday, March 31, 33)

Matthew 24:9–14
<p>9 “Then they will hand you over to persecution and will kill you, and you will be hated by all the nations because of my name. 10 And then many will be led into sin and will betray one another and will hate one another, 11 and many false prophets will appear and will deceive many, 12 and because lawlessness will increase, the love of many will grow cold. 13 But the one who endures to the end—this person will be saved. 14 And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed in the whole inhabited earth for a testimony to all the nations, and then the end will come.</p>

Passion Week—The Olivet Discourse: Second Half of the Tribulation (Tuesday, March 31, 33)

Matthew 24:15–28	Mark 13:14–23
<p>15 “So when you see the abomination of desolation spoken about by the prophet Daniel standing in the holy place” (let the one who reads understand), [Dan 9:27; 11:31; 12:11] 16 “then those in Judea must flee to the mountains! 17 The one who is on his housetop must not come down to take things out of his house, 18 and the one who is in the field must not turn back to pick up his cloak.</p>	<p>14 “But when you see the abomination of desolation standing where it should not be” (let the one who reads understand), “then those in Judea must flee to the mountains! 15 The one who is on his housetop must not come down or go inside to take anything out of his house, 16 and the one who is in the field must not turn back to pick up his cloak.</p>

<p>19 And woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing <i>their babies</i> in those days! 20 But pray that your flight may not happen in winter or on a Sabbath. 21 For at that time there will be great tribulation, such as has not happened from the beginning of the world until now, nor ever will happen. 22 And unless those days had been shortened, no human being would be saved. But for the sake of the elect, those days will be shortened. 23 “At that time if anyone should say to you, ‘Behold, here <i>is</i> the Christ,’ or ‘Here <i>he is</i>,’ do not believe <i>him</i>! 24 For false messiahs and false prophets will appear, and will produce great signs and wonders in order to deceive, if possible, even the elect. 25 Behold, I have told you ahead of time! 26 Therefore if they say to you, ‘Behold, he is in the wilderness,’ do not go out, or ‘Behold, he is in the inner rooms,’ do not believe <i>it</i>! 27 For just as the lightning comes from the east and flashes to the west, so the coming of the Son of Man will be. 28 Wherever the corpse is, there the vultures will gather. [Luke 17:22–37]</p>	<p>17 And woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing <i>their babies</i> in those days! 18 But pray that it will not happen in winter. 19 For <i>in</i> those days there will be tribulation of such a kind as has not happened from the beginning of the creation that God created until now, and never will happen. 20 And if the Lord had not shortened the days, no human being would be saved. But for the sake of the elect, whom he chose, he has shortened the days. 21 “And at that time if anyone should say to you, “Behold, here <i>is</i> the Christ,’ ‘Behold, there <i>he is</i>,’ do not believe <i>him</i>! 22 For false messiahs and false prophets will appear, and will produce signs and wonders in order to mislead, if possible, the elect. 23 But you, watch out! I have told you everything ahead of time!</p>
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Passion Week—The Olivet Discourse: Sign of the Second Coming (Tuesday, March 31, 33)		
Matthew 24:29–30	Mark 13:24–26	Luke 21:25–28
<p>29 “And immediately after the tribulation of those days, ‘the sun will be darkened and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of heaven will be shaken.’ [Isa 13:10; 34:4; Ezek 32:7] 30 And then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man arriving on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. [Dan 7:13]</p>	<p>24 “But in those days, after that tribulation, ‘the sun will be darkened and the moon will not give its light, 25 and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.’ 26 And then they will see the Son of Man arriving in the clouds with great power and glory.</p>	<p>25 “And there will be signs in the sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity from the noise of the sea and <i>its</i> surging, 26 people fainting from fear and expectation of what is coming on the inhabited earth, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. 27 And then they will see the Son of Man arriving in a cloud with power and great glory. 28 But <i>when</i> these <i>things</i> begin to happen, stand up straight and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near!”</p>

Passion Week—The Olivet Discourse: Gathering of the Elect (Tuesday, March 31, 33)	
Matthew 24:31	Mark 13:27
<p>31 And he will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect together from the four winds,</p>	<p>27 And then he will send out the angels, and will gather the elect together from the four winds,</p>

from *one* end of heaven to the *other* end of it.

from the end of the earth to the end of heaven.

Passion Week—The Olivet Discourse: Parable of the Fig Tree (Tuesday, March 31, 33)

Matthew 24:32–35	Mark 13:28–31	Luke 21:29–33
<p>32 “Now learn the parable from the fig tree:</p> <p>Whenever its branch has already become tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer <i>is</i> near.</p> <p>33 So also you, when you see all these <i>things</i>, know that he is near, at the door.</p> <p>34 Truly I say to you that this generation will never pass away until all these <i>things</i> take place!</p> <p>35 Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.</p>	<p>28 “Now learn the parable from the fig tree:</p> <p>Whenever its branch has already become tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near.</p> <p>29 So also you, when you see these <i>things</i> happening, know that he is near, at the door.</p> <p>30 Truly I say to you that this generation will never pass away until all these <i>things</i> take place!</p> <p>31 Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.</p>	<p>29 And he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees.</p> <p>30 When they put out <i>foliage</i>, now you see for yourselves <i>and</i> know that by this time the summer is near.</p> <p>31 So also you, when you see these <i>things</i> happening, know that the kingdom of God is near.</p> <p>32 Truly I say to you that this generation will never pass away until all <i>things</i> take place!</p> <p>33 Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.</p>

Passion Week—The Olivet Discourse: Time of Tribulation Unknown (Tuesday, March 31, 33)

Matthew 24:36–42	Mark 13:32–33
<p>36 “But concerning that day and hour no one knows— not even the angels of heaven nor the Son— except the Father alone.</p> <p>37 For just as the days of Noah <i>were</i>, so the coming of the Son of Man will be.</p> <p>38 For as in the days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered into the ark. [cf. Gen 7:7]</p> <p>39 And they did not know <i>anything</i> until the deluge came and swept <i>them</i> all away. So also the coming of the Son of Man will be.</p> <p>40 Then there will be two men in the field; one will be taken and one left.</p> <p>41 Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken and one left.</p> <p>42 Therefore be on the alert, because you do not know what day your Lord is coming!</p>	<p>32 “But concerning that day or hour no one knows— not even the angels in heaven nor the Son— except the Father.</p> <p>33 Watch out! Be alert, because you do not know when the time is!</p>

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