

Trinity Bible Church  
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 Lesson 52

## Dispensational Transitions

- I. From the Dispersion into Babylon to the close of the Old Testament
- II. Between the Testaments.
- III. The New Testament World.

### Outline of the Olivet Discourse:

- A. The Prophecy of Destruction of Jerusalem. Matt 24:1-2; Mark 13:1-2; Luke 21:5-6
- B. Questions By The Disciples. Matt 24:3; Mark 13:3-4; Luke 21:7
- C. Warnings. Matt 24:4-8; Mark 13:5-8; Luke 21:8-9
- D. Prophecy of Persecutions. Matt 24:9-14; Mark 13:9-13; Luke 21:10-19
- E. Specific Prophecies of the Destruction of Jerusalem. Luke 21:20-24

### Luke 21:20 = The Marker.

"But when you see Jerusalem surrounded (Pres Pas Ptc KUKLOW = 4x; to encircle as the walls of Jericho) by armies, then recognize that her desolation (ER8MWSIS = 3x) is near (Perf Act Ind EGGIDZW = to draw near).

### Summary:

1. The "sign of these things" is when Jerusalem is surrounded by armies.
2. The time is then close.
3. This is their judgment for rejecting the Messiah. Matt 23:37-39
4. Many will try to say that the "time is near" without having the necessary information and facts. Luke 21:8
5. Some clear-cut markers are required. Luke 21:27-28
6. This part of the prophecy specifically deals with 70 A.D.

### Luke 21:21 = The Applications.

"Then those who are in Judea must flee to the mountains, and those who are in the midst of the city must leave, and those who are in the country must not enter the city;

### Luke 21:22 = The Reasons.

because these are days of vengeance (EKDIK8SIS = 9x; out of judgment), so that all things which are written (Perf Pass Ptc GRAMMA = have been written) will be fulfilled.

### Summary:

1. The destruction of Jerusalem comes from the Lord's justice.
2. Sometimes individuals try to take vengeance into their own hands. Acts 7:24
3. Government institutions are to administer God's Justice. 1 Pet 2:13-14
4. Revenge is for the Lord. Rom 12:19
5. Those who harm the Lord's people will face His justice. Luke 18:6-8
6. Those who do not accept His grace will face eternal judgment. 2 Thes 1:5-10
7. Facing His vengeance will be terrifying. Heb 10:29-31

8. **Those governments who do not righteously administer judgment will one day receive a righteous judgment, including Israel.**

**Luke 21:23 = The Pain.**

"Woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days; for there will be great distress upon the land and wrath to this people;

**Luke 21:24 = The Results.**

and they will fall by the edge of the sword, and will be led captive (**Fut Pas Ind AICHMALOTIDZW = 4x; to make a captive**) into all the nations; and Jerusalem will be trampled under foot by the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.

**Summary:**

1. **The people will fall to an outside military power.**
2. **They will be dispersed again-into all the nations.**
3. **The real problem was being a prisoner to their Sin Nature. Rom 7:21-25**
4. **They were misled by religious fakes, because they learned but never came to a knowledge of "The Truth." 2 Tim 3:4-8**
5. **Had they taken their thoughts captive "into the obedience of Christ," they would not have faced this discipline. 2 Cor 10:3-6**
6. **After 70 A.D. Jerusalem will be "trampled under foot" by the Gentiles until the return of the Lord at the Second Advent. Rev 11:1-3**

Then there was given me a measuring rod like a staff; and someone said, "Get up and measure the temple of God and the altar, and those who worship in it. 2 "Leave out the court which is outside the temple and do not measure it, for it has been given to the nations; and they will tread under foot the holy city for forty-two months.

7. **Jerusalem will once again be "surrounded by armies." Zech 14:1-8**
8. **Before Jerusalem is surrounded again there will be another marker," this one a sign of the "end of the age." Matt 24:15-17 & Mark 13:14**
9. **Some will flee again to the mountains. Rev 12:6**
10. **The "Desolation" is an identifying mark of Satan's divided kingdom. Matt 12:25-26 Luke 11:17-18**
11. **In conjunction with the "Abomination of Desolation," Religious Babylon will be made desolate. Rev 17:16**
12. **And also Political Babylon. Rev 18:17-20**

**Fulfillment of the destruction of Jerusalem:**

1. **The war lasted 7 years. (66-73 A.D.)**
2. **It began when the Jews complained to Agrippa about the procurator Florus.**
3. **The Jews rejected Agrippa's advice and expelled Florus.**
4. **Eleazer, a high priest's son, placed an embargo on the Temple sacrifice.**
5. **A band of extremists destroyed a Roman garrison.**
6. **Civil strife broke out between the Jews.**
7. **When the news reached Florus he killed 20,000 Jews in one hour.**
8. **Cestius Gallus, the legate of Syria, led 30,000 troops in the land, killed 8,000 people, burned Joppa and subdued the region of Galilee.**
9. **He marched then on Jerusalem with equipment and men but withdrew.**
10. **The Romans systematically reduced Jewish resistance.**

11. In 67 A.D. Gamala lasted 23 days; 5,000 of the 9,000 died and the remaining 4,000 threw themselves over the walls at its fall. The fugitives at Gadara made a stand at the Jordan; 15,000 died in hand-to-hand combat and dyed the Jordan red.
12. Jerusalem became a refuge to the survivors.
13. On June 9, 68, Vespasian returned to Rome and eventually became emperor.
14. Vespasian left the conquest of Jerusalem to his son, Titus.
15. It took Titus 139 days with 65,000 men to take Jerusalem.
16. They spared no savagery or horror.
17. A band of Zealots also attacked and killed 20,000 Jewish moderates.
18. The Romans let the Jews kill each other.
19. In the spring of 70 A.D., Titus set up camp four miles from the city.
20. The first day they took the Mount of Olives with the 10<sup>th</sup> Legion.
21. The Romans took the two outer walls in the first 25 days.
22. The Romans used Josephus and a military parade to try to get the Jews to surrender, but they would not.
24. Over 600,000 starved and were thrown outside the gates. Those caught outside the gates were crucified.
25. The Romans set the gates on fire and the fire spread. Titus tried to put out the fire, but the Jews attacked and were driven into the Holy Place.
26. The Holy Place was then set on fire.
27. The Romans executed 10,000 Jews regardless of age or sex.
28. The survivors fled to southern Jerusalem which was promptly burned.
29. In the siege of Jerusalem, 1.1 million died. The Romans struck a coin depicting Judea as a woman, bound and weeping, sitting under a palm tree.
30. The words to Pilate, "His blood be on our heads..." became a stark reality. Matt 27:25

#### The Times of the Gentiles:

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| Babylon                 | 586-516 B.C.     |
| Persia                  | 516-320          |
| Ptolemies and Seleucids | 320-168          |
| Hasmoneans              | 167-63           |
| Romans                  | 63 B.C.-395 A.D. |
| Byzantine               | 395-614          |
| Persian                 | 614-629          |
| Byzantine               | 629-638          |
| Arab                    | 638-969          |
| Egypt                   | 969-1077         |
| Turks                   | 1077-1099        |
| Crusaders               | 1099-1187        |
| Turks                   | 1187-1229        |
| Germany                 | 1229-1244        |
| Tartars                 | 1244-1250        |
| Mamelukes               | 1250-1517        |
| Ottoman Turks           | 1517-1917        |
| Brittain                | 1917-1948        |
| United Nations          | 1948-?           |