

Trinity Bible Church  
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Lesson 53

## 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
- F. Prophecies of the Tribulation. Matt 24:15-28; Mark 13:14-23

	Matthew	Mark	Luke
Early Church			21:5-24
Church	24:3-8	13:3-13	
Early Tribulation	24:9-20	13:14-18	
Great Tribulation	24:21-28	13:19-23	
After Great Trib	24:29-31	13:24-27	21:25-28
Fig Tree	24:32-41	13:28-32	21:29-33

### Matt 24:15 = The Abomination Of Desolation. (Mark 13:14a)

"Therefore when you see the ABOMINATION OF (THE) DESOLATION which was spoken of through Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand),

**Mark 13:14a** "But when you see the ABOMINATION OF (THE) DESOLATION standing where it should not be (let the reader understand),

### Summary:

1. One day there will be something idolatrous in the Holy Place.
2. This is during the Tribulation. Matt 24:9
3. Daniel referred to an event similar to this one which was partially fulfilled by Antiochus (IV) Epiphanes. Dan 11:29-45
4. Antiochus became a type of The Antichrist. Dan 11:29-45
5. The context is the middle of the Tribulation approaching the time of the Great Tribulation. Cf 24:21
6. The ringleader is "the prince who is to come" of Daniel 9:27.
7. He will seat himself in the Temple, proclaiming himself to be a god, with the permanent placement of his image. 2 Thes 2:4; Rev 13:15
8. It must be noted that Jesus prophesied the destruction of the Temple, but now refers to the Holy Place being operational requiring another temple be built.

### Matt 24:16 = The Required Action. (Mark 13:14b)

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### Matt 24:17 = The Urgency-Example #1. (Mark 13:15)

"Whoever is on the housetop must not go down to get the things out that are in his house.

**Mark 13:15** "The one who is on the housetop must not go down, or go in to get anything out of his house;

**Matt 24:18 = The Urgency-Example #2. (Mark 13:16)**

"Whoever is in the field must not turn back to get his cloak.

**Mark 13:16** and the one who is in the field must not turn back to get his coat.

**Summary:**

1. **The Tribulation Believer must quickly master the things of life.**
2. **The indication is that the "Abomination of Desolation" will be set up without warning to the general populace, requiring a rapid "exodus."**

**Matt 24:19 = The Judgment From Man. (Mark 13:17)**

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**Summary:**

1. **The intensity of the Tribulation will rival the destruction of Jerusalem.**
2. **The "woe" means judgment has been rendered and the discipline is immanent.**
3. **The judgment will come from the False Prophet and Antichrist. Rev 13**

**Matt 24:20 = The Needed Prayer. (Mark 13:18)**

"But pray that your flight will not be in the winter, or on a Sabbath.

**Mark 13:18** "But pray that it may not happen in the winter.

**Matt 24:21 = From Bad To The Worst. (Mark 13:19)**

"For then there will be a great tribulation, such as has not occurred since the beginning of the world until now, nor ever will.

**Mark 13:19** "For those days will be a time of tribulation such as has not occurred since the beginning of the creation which God created until now, and never will.

**Summary:**

1. **The Great Tribulation refers to the 1260 days before the Second Advent. Cf Rev 12:6 (1260 days); Rev 12:14 (time, times, half-time); 13:5 (42 months)**
2. **It begins after the Abomination of Desolation is set up.**
3. **There are other significant events during that time frame.**
4. **Almost every imaginable calamity will be occurring about the same time, plus some that are not imaginable. Rev 10:4**
5. **Jesus quotes Daniel as a reference. Dan 12:1**

**Matt 24:22 = God's Grace. (Mark 13:20)**

"Unless those days had been cut short (**Aor Pas Ind KOLOBOW = 4x; Mark 13:20; two times in each verse, word not found outside this context**), no life would have been saved; but for the sake of the elect those days will be cut short.

**Mark 13:20** "Unless the Lord had shortened those (**not in text in this account**) days, no life would have been saved; but for the sake of the elect, whom He chose, He shortened the days.

**Summary:**

1. **There is a total number of days specified for the Tribulation. Rev 11:3; 12:6**
2. **So, it appears that the day is shortened from 24 to 16 hours. Rev 8:12-13**
3. **There is no indication that this prophecy was ever given before, thus Jesus is making a proclamation through His office as Prophet. 2 Pet 1:21**

**Matt 24:23 = Evil's Counterfeits. (Mark 13:21)**

"Then (during the Great Tribulation) if anyone says to you, 'Behold, here is the Christ,' or 'There He is,' do not believe him.

**Mark 13:21** "And then if anyone says to you, 'Behold, here is the Christ'; or, 'Behold, He is there'; do not believe him;

**Matt 24:24 = A Prophecy For The Great Tribulation. (Mark 13:22)**

"For false Christs and false prophets will arise and will show great signs and wonders, so as to mislead, if possible (**1<sup>st</sup> class condition-it is possible**), even the elect.

**Mark 13:22** for false Christs and false prophets will arise, and will show signs and wonders, in order to lead astray (**APOPLANAW = 2x; 1 Tim 6:10**), if possible (**1<sup>st</sup> class**), the elect.

**Summary:**

1. **This warning is connected directly to the Beasts. Rev 13**
2. **They will know these people are false because of their message and the time of their manifestation. Cf 24:29-31**
3. **Their method is distortion of what is seen and thought.**

**Matt 24:25 = Jesus' Word. (Mark 13:23)**

"Behold, I have told you in advance (**Perf Act Ind PROLEGW = to speak beforehand; the only context where Jesus uses this word**).

**Mark 13:23** "But take heed; behold, I have told you everything in advance.

**Summary:**

1. **Mark notes they have been told what will directly affect them. Mark 13:23**
2. **Matthew focuses on the message Jesus gave to His disciples that was to be passed on to those it affected.**

**Matt 24:26 = Don't Be Deceived.**

"So 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 them.

**Matt 24:27 = The Second Advent.**

"For just as the lightning comes from the east and flashes even to the west, so will the coming of the Son of Man be.

**Matt 24:28 = A Time Of Judgment.**

"Wherever the corpse is, there the vultures will gather.

**Summary:**

1. **Part of the false message includes the proclamation that Christ has already arrived.**
2. **They will use their magic tricks to try to prove this, but they are not to be believed.**
3. **Jesus is not going to simply appear in the desert and come strolling into Jerusalem.**
4. **His return will be of such a nature that all will know it and none can counterfeit it. Zech 14:1-6**
5. **It will be in an instant, without warning, as Jesus had already told them. Luke 17:22-26**
6. **Just before the Second Advent, the carrion birds will gather for their "Great Feast." Rev 19:17-21**