

Trinity Bible Church
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 Lesson 54

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

Luke 21:25 = Markers Of The Second Advent.

"There will be signs (**S8MEION = 77x**; a visible phenomena that will point to the visible arrival of the King) in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth (**G8 = 250x**; focus on the material makeup) dismay (**SUNOCH8 = 2x**; 2 Cor 2:4 translated "anguish"; a holding together, compression, narrowing of the way; an indescribable pressure from within; psychological and emotional) among nations, in perplexity (**APORIA = 1x**; without a way; at a loss for how to proceed) at the roaring of the sea and the waves (reminder of Noah?),

Summary:

1. There will be an indescribable pressure placed on mankind as a result of the heavenly signs.
2. The heavenly signs will produce massive oceanic upheaval, similar to the Flood of Noah. Cf Matt 24:38
3. Mankind will have absolutely no solution to the geological problems.

Luke 21:26 = Mankind's Response.

men fainting (**Pres Act Ptc APOPSUCHW = 1x**; lit.= the soul leaving; breathing out cold air; hyperventilating) from fear and the expectation (**PROSDOKIA = 2x**; Acts 12:11 of Peter's impending execution; an expectation of impending doom) of the things which are coming upon the world; for the powers (**DUNAMIS = inherent power**) of the heavens will be shaken (**Fut Pas Ind SALEUW = 15x**; to shake like in a sifter).

Summary:

1. Science will face insolvable problems.
2. Most of mankind will be expecting extinction.
3. Yet, based on the Noahic Covenant, man will never again be totally destroyed by water. Gen 9
4. Based on the Abrahamic and Davidic Covenants, the Jews will not be totally destroyed.
5. To some it will appear that even the Lord has lost control.

6. There is an answer to the problem. Joel 2:30-32
7. This "shaking" will precede the Millennial Kingdom. Heb 12:26-29

Luke 21:27 = Jesus' Return. (Matt 24:29-30 & Mark 13:24-26)

"Then they will see THE SON OF MAN COMING IN A CLOUD (singular) with power and great glory.

Summary:

1. This will be immediately after the tribulation. Matt 24:29a & Mark 13:24a
Matt 24:29 "But 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 the sky, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. **Mark 13:24** "But in those days, after that tribulation, THE SUN WILL BE DARKENED AND THE MOON WILL NOT GIVE ITS LIGHT, AND THE STARS WILL BE FALLING from heaven, and the powers that are in the heavens will be shaken.
2. It will be the time described in Zech 14:1-8 and Isa 13:6-13.
3. The powers in the heavens will be shaken to the core. Mark 13:25b
4. The "sign" of the Son of Man will appear in the sky. Matt 24:30
 "And then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the SON OF MAN COMING ON THE CLOUDS OF THE SKY with power and great glory.
5. Then He will return. Mark 13:26
 "Then they will see THE SON OF MAN COMING IN CLOUDS with great power and glory.
6. From total darkness will come the "Light" of the world. Isa 60:18-22
7. The "clouds" of the Second Advent are angels and saints. Heb 12:1-2; Rev 1:7
8. Mankind should have listened to the "clouds."
 - A. The Father spoke about His Son from one. Matt 17:5 & Mark 9:7 & Luke 9:34
 - B. A "cloud" led the Jews in the wilderness. 1 Cor 10:1-5
 - C. Jesus ascended to heaven in a cloud. Acts 1:9-10
 - D. The Two Witnesses will go to heaven in a cloud. Rev 11:12
 - E. One day, His Bride shall meet Him in the clouds. 1 Thes 4:17
 - F. From a cloud shall come "The Reaper's" first harvest. Rev 14:14-16

Luke 21:28 = The Believer's Application. (Matt 24:31 & Mark 13:27)

"But when these things begin (ARCHW = when they start not when they finish) to take place, straighten up (ANAKUPTOW = 4x; bent over double) and lift up (EPAIROW = ascend upon; your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

Summary:

1. The application to those of that generation is to stand tall and look up.
 - A. We may be "bent over double" from being sick about the things that are happening. Luke 13:11-13
 - B. They will see the harvest coming. John 4:35
 - C. Jesus, the High Priest, set the pattern for "looking up." John 17:1-3
2. Our Redeemer is getting close.
3. Psalms were written to commemorate God's "Ascension" to the throne which was proclaimed by a trumpet. Psa 47; 68:17-19
4. The "Great Trumpet" will sound, which signals His angels to gather His elect from the four winds to which they have been scattered. Matt 24:31

"And He will send forth His angels with A GREAT TRUMPET and THEY WILL GATHER TOGETHER His elect from the four winds, from one end of the sky to the other. **& Mark 13:27**
 "And then He will send forth the angels, and will gather together His elect from the four winds, from the farthest end of the earth to the farthest end of heaven.

5. **Before the "Great Trumpet" sounds another trumpet will signal the arrival of the Groom to take His bride. 1 Cor 15:51-53; 1 Thes 4:16-17**
6. **It will mark the transition from the Church Age to the Age of Israel. Rev 4:1**
7. **The "Great Trumpet" marks the time of the great reaping and regathering. Isa 27:12-13**
8. **Trumpets in Israel's history:**
 - A. **The First Trumpet to be blown in Israel's history was to announce the fact that God was getting ready to speak. Ex 19:16-20; 20:18-19**
 - B. **A Trumpet was blown on the Day of Atonement in the Year of Jubilee to mark the day of release of the captives. Lev 25:9-12**
 - C. **Trumpets were blown to denote impending victory. Josh 6**
 - D. **They were blown to assemble the troops to fight. Judges 3:27**
 - E. **They were blown to announce the arrival of a king. 1 Kings 1:38-40**
 - F. **They were blown to warn the people of judgment for failure to remove their human viewpoint. Jer 4:4-5; Hos 8:1**
9. **The people are to sound a trumpet of alarm in Jerusalem before the Second Advent. Joel 2:1-2**
10. **The Tribulational saints are to pray for the return of the Groom and His Bride. Joel 2:15-17**
11. **The "Great Trumpet" marks the time of deliverance for Israel through total defeat of its enemies. Zech 9:11-17**