

The Key Word of Christ on the End of Time

Matt. 24

Introduction

Jesus gives a word to both Christians and Jews in Matthew 24 for the end of time. Both must hear and understand this word. Christians receive it first from the Gospels, but the Jews reject and will not read the Gospels. Christians must warn the lost of world and the lost of Israel of Christ's key word on the end of time.

Yes, the Disciples were Jews. But Jesus does not address them so. In Matthew 24, He is actually speaking to them as Christians. In v. 9, Jesus identifies class of people the Disciples are in; they are a group who will be hated by all nations "*for my name's sake*". This would exclude Jews, since still today, Israel rejects the name of Jesus as their Messiah. Yet, Christ died to redeem the remnant of Israel too, and so there is a word for them on the end times that Christians must pass on to them. At the end of Matthew 24, our Lord has a final word for both.

1. Christians must know the true Christ.
2. Christians must stiffen their resolve to endure unto the end, v. 13.
3. Christians must continue to spread the Gospel to the ends of the earth, v. 14.
4. Jews must know the false Messiah who promises peace will defile the Temple, v. 15
5. Jews must flee to the mountains from the Antichrist and pray for optimal conditions for the journey, Messiah will come through a darkened earth in the clouds of heaven with the sound of a trumpet, vv. 15-31..
6. Christians must know and spread the word of Christ on the timing of His return, vv. 32-42.
7. Tribulation Christians must know and spread the word of Christ on the state He wants to find them in when He comes, vv. 43-51.