

Look Up, Look Out

PART 3

Mark 13:24-37





The Tribulation is a seven-year period before the Messiah comes to reign.

- 490 years were predicted for the Jews in Daniel 9:24-27
 - The period started in 445 BC (Neh. 2:5)
 - After 483 years, Messiah would be killed.
- The remaining seven years are described in Dan 9:27.
- There is a gap of time between the 483 and the 7 years.
- The 7 years begins with a peace treaty (Dan. 9:26).
- The treaty is broken after 3 ½ years (v9:7; 11:31)

What or who is the Antichrist?

- the “prince to come” in Daniel 9
- John uses the term in 1st and 2nd John
- “one who opposes Christ”
- “the Beast” in Revelation 13-14
- He will seek to destroy Jews and any who don’t worship him (Dan. 9; Rev. 13)
- He will set himself up as God in the temple (2 Thes. 2:1-12; Rev. 13)




I. Jesus' return will be unmistakable. (24-27)

A. Christ's return is both encouraging and disturbing.
(cf Lk. 21:28; Rev. 6:12-17)

I. Jesus' return will be unmistakable. (24-27)

A. Christ's return is both encouraging and disturbing.
(cf Lk. 21:28; Rev. 6:12-17)


“But when these things begin to take place,
straighten up and lift your heads,
because your redemption is drawing near.” – Luke 21:28



I. Jesus' return will be unmistakable. (24-27)

A. Christ's return is both encouraging and disturbing.
(cf Lk. 21:28; Rev. 6:12-17)

“But when these things begin to take place,
straighten up and lift your heads,
because your redemption is drawing near.” – Luke 21:28



I. Jesus' return will be unmistakable. (24-27)

A. Christ's return is both encouraging and disturbing.
(cf Lk. 21:28; Rev. 6:12-17)

“But when these things begin to take place,
straighten up and lift your heads,
because your redemption is drawing near.” – Luke 21:28


I. Jesus' return will be unmistakable. (24-27)

A. Christ's return is both encouraging and disturbing.
(cf Lk. 21:28; Rev. 6:12-14)

I. Jesus' return will be unmistakable. (24-27)

A. Christ's return is both encouraging and disturbing.
(cf Lk. 21:28; Rev. 6:12-14)

“...and they said to the mountains and to the rocks,
“Fall on us and hide us from the presence of Him who
sits on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb; for
the great day of their wrath has come,
and who is able to stand?”



I. Jesus' return will be unmistakable. (24-27)

- A. Christ's return is both encouraging and disturbing.
(cf Lk. 21:28; Rev. 6:12-14)

Daniel 7:13

**...And behold, with the clouds of heaven
One like a Son of Man was coming,
And He came up to the Ancient of Days
And was presented before Him.**

Daniel 7:14

And to Him was given **dominion**, glory and a **kingdom**, that all the peoples, nations and men of every language might serve Him. His **dominion** is an everlasting **dominion** which will not pass away; and His **kingdom** is one which will not be destroyed.

I. Jesus' return will be unmistakable. (24-27)

A. Christ's return is both encouraging and disturbing.
(cf Lk. 21:28; Rev. 6:12-14)

B. Welcome Christ's Kingdom today, by faith. (Mk. 4:13-20)

Deuteronomy 30:3-6

“...Yahweh your God will restore you from captivity and have compassion on you, and will gather you again from all the peoples where Yahweh your God has scattered you.

If your outcasts are at the ends of the earth, from there the LORD your God will gather you...”

Isaiah 11:12

And He will lift up a standard from the nations and assemble the banished ones of Israel,

And will gather the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.

Jeremiah 31:7-9

**“...I am bringing them from the
north country,
And I will gather them from the
remote parts of the earth...”**

I. Jesus' return will be unmistakable. (24-27)

- A. Christ's return is both encouraging and disturbing.
(cf Lk. 21:28; Rev. 6:12-14)
- B. Welcome Christ's Kingdom today, by faith. (Mk. 4:13-20)
- C. Tribulation Gentiles will be rejected for joining Antichrist and persecuting Jews.
(cf. Joel 3:2; Matt. 25:31-41)
- D. Tribulation Jews will be rejected for rejecting Jesus.
(Ezek.20:33-44)

II. Be in the Word to be ready. (28-32)

A. End times prophecy is meant to be understood.

B. Israel's existence proves God's Word is true.

C. The rapture will happen suddenly and unexpectedly.

(cf. 1 Cor. 15:51-53; 1 Thes. 4:13-18; 1:10; 5:9-11; Rev. 3:9-10)



III. Distraction is the Gospel's enemy. (33-37)

A. Jesus' repeated command is: Watch! Wake up!

B. We have different jobs, but all must be alert.

C. Rejoice, because we know Jesus is coming!



MAIN IDEA

Stay in the Word
and
be alert

because Jesus is coming.