

Intro. Olivet discourse. Matt 24-25, Mk 13. Not as complete here and includes more about immediate des of temple. Principle of prophecy that near and far view included in same passage. Isa 7:14 good ex. Same here.

I. The Asking, 5-7.

A. Setting of questions, 5-6. Saw temple. Some stones said to be 40x10 cubits--20x5yds. There were double cloisters, monolithic columns, alternate slabs of red and white marble. Gifts means sacred offerings brot be Herod and other rulers which adorned temple. X said stones would be overthrown. Imagine effect.

B. Questions, 7.

1. When. Lord does not answer. "His gentle method of discouraging irrelevant or inadmissible questns."
2. What signs. This He answers in detail. If He thot impt we should. Impt of prophecy.

II. The Answering, 8-33.

Immediate dest of Jerus in view and far consummation of age as Matt records.

A. The Signs, 8-28.

1. The religious sign, 8. Lots of rel but false, 2 Tim 3:5. Many will go after them. This during trib. Rev. 17.
2. The world signs, 9-11. Wars, earthquakes, famine, penitence. All in Rev. 6. Very things world thinks are conquered will destroy man.
3. The Persecution sign, 12-19. Jewish persecution. Anti-Semitism. No Xn has right to it. Preceded dest of Jerus, Acts 28:22, cf Acts 4:3; 6:11. Intensified and expanded during trib. Not mere persecution of Jews but for His name's sake, 12, 17. Rev. 12 on remnant. Same event as here.

4. The destruction of Jerus, 20-24.

- a. The picture of it. 20, 22, 23b.
- b. The Portents of it. 21 stay away from Judea. 23 don't be encumbered.
- c. The permanence of it, 24. Until times of Gentiles fulfilled after trib. Gentiles will control Jerus.

5. Signs in heavens, 25-26. Rev 8:12; 11:33. Literal disturbances in heavens which will bring fear, Rev 6:16-7.
6. Sign of His coming, 27-28. After trib. World not getting better. Heathen increasing faster than Xns. That means redemption for us when He comes. Esp for Jews who lived thru trib. Rapture for us brings final redemption.

B. Sureties, 29-33.

1. Surety from illus of fig tree, 29-31. Illus not of Is but of rapidity with which age will be consummated. When see signs then end coming. Sure as fruit on tree. Signs leading to est of kg.
2. Surety from illus of Israel, 32. Generation did live 40 more yrs to des under Titus. But wider meaning. Genea means race and shows preservation of Jews till consummation. Also may refer to generatn living during trib. Jews living is testimony to surety of signs.
3. Surety from Word of X, 33:

III. The Applying, 34-38.

- A. Be attentive, 34-35. Take heed lit.
 1. To sobereity. Surfeiting is hangover after drunk.
 2. To the snare. Will be snare if unaware.
- B. Be Awake, 36. Lit Watch means sleepless. Sleepless in prayer, supplication. Escape by enduring trials. Application to us is prayer to be faith ful in pilgrimage till He come.