

Obvious Signs Of The Times

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Text

Mt. 24:3-14

Objectives:

1. To motivate each of us to stay focus in the Word of God.
2. To be aware about that some christian love will be cold.
3. To learn and know what to do with the signs of the times.

Introduction:

The Word of God is giving us latest news about what are the obvious signs of the times and when will these happen. The prophecies and interpretations of visions focused not just for all believers, but also on world governments and natural disaster events that were to come. In fact, we have been heard some areas in the world today that this was occurred. We know that we are living in the last days, and we must take this seriously because this is not a fairytale story. This is the truth! All of these are the beginning of sorrows.

The Obvious Signs Of The Times:

1. There will be false christs bringing spiritual deception. (v.5) (Mt.24:24; Mk.13:22)
 - a.) Claiming, "I am The Christ".
 - b.) Deceiving many believers.
2. There will be waging of armed conflict among nations. (vv.6-7a)
 - a.) Nation will rise against nation.
 - b.) Kingdom against kingdom.
3. There will be physical and natural devastation. (v.7b)
Devastation means plundering with excessive damage and destruction, and the state of being decayed.
 - a.) There will be great famines and severe diseases.
 - b.) Earthquakes occur in various places.
4. There will be religious persecution. (v.9)
 - a.) Deliver Christians to be afflicted and put to death.
 - b.) Christians and Jews are hated by other nations.

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5. There will be turn away from faith result to detestation. (v.10)
Detestation means intense hatred and a strong feeling of dislike.
 - a.) Many will be offended and backslide.
 - b.) Betrayal and hatred. (Mt.10:21)

6. There will be false prophets speaking words of delusion. (v.11)

Delusion means it is an erroneous belief that is held in the face of evidence to the contrary.
 - a.) They come in sheep's clothing but inwardly they are ferocious wolves, like prophesying lies. (Mt. 7:15; Jer.14:14)
 - b.) They will perform great signs and wonders but deceiving many. (Mt. 24:24)
 - c.) They will deny "Jesus Christ" and teach false doctrine. (2 P 2:1)

7. There will be increase of wickedness leads to have no compassion. (v.12)
 - a.) Because of absence of moral and spiritual values.
 - b.) Because of infilling of the Holy Spirit is lost.

Conclusion:

Humor illustration- [\[1st trip, 2nd trip, last trip ,bad trip – ask ptr Abner for explanation\]](#)

Brothers, stay connected with the truth. We must spread the gospel so that they will not be ignorant about the signs of the times and why all of these are happening in some other places. We must be prepared to preach the Word of God in season and out of season. We must be sensitive with the voice of the Holy Spirit. Do not be troubled and do not be afraid to keep on believing because he who endures until the end will be saved. Who is it that overcomes the world? Only he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God (1 Jn.5:5).

We must be ready for the Lord's coming as if it could be today! He who stands firm until the end will be saved and this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come (Mt.24:13-14).