

THY KINGDOM COME!
(Revelation 20:1-6) pt 2

Acts 1:1-11

A. WHY the Kingdom of God on Earth?

B. Was the Kingdom of God on Earth PREVIOUSLY OFFERED to ISRAEL?

C. What EVENTS Occur Leading up to the Establishment of Christ's KINGDOM on EARTH?
(Matthew 24-25)

1. The CONDITIONS of the first 3 ½ years—the Beginning Birth Pangs (Mt 24:4-14)

- a. There will be a _____ in the Middle East with _____ in the land (Daniel 9:24-27)
- b. There will be massive _____ with great ecumenical involvement (Mt 24:4-5)
- c. There will be ongoing _____ (Mt 24:6-7a)
- d. There will be wide spread _____ & _____ (Mt 24:7b-8)
- e. There will be intense _____ (Mt 24:9-13)

2. The CHARACTERISTICS of the Last 3 ½ years—The GREAT TRIBULATION (24:15-26)

- a. There will be an existing _____ in Jerusalem (Mt 24:15)
- b. There will be the _____ that must take place there (Mt 24:15)
- c. There will be a one-world _____ & _____ (Mt 24:15)
- d. There will be great _____ (Mt 24:16-20)
- e. There will also be the unparalleled _____ (Mt 24:21-22)

3. The COMPONENTS of Christ's SECOND COMING (Matthew 24:27-31)

- a. Christ's return will be from _____ to _____ directionally (Mt 24:27)
- b. Christ's return will be _____ to all... as "*lightening that flashes*" (Mt 24:27)
- c. Christ's return will involve a great _____ (Mt 24:28; Rev 16:16; 19:11-19)
- d. Christ's return will involve foreboding _____ in the heavens, including the sign of visually _____ the _____ coming in glory (Mt 24:29-31)

4. The CORRESPONDING PARABLES about Christ's SECOND COMING (Mt 24:32-25:13)

a. The Parable of the FIG TREE teaches that when the generation of believers “_____” (those mentioned in this chapter) _____ “... the 2nd coming is at the very door (Mt 24:32-35)

- What are Christ's two promises connected to this? (Mt 24:34-35)
- What should this caution us about?

b. The PARABLES on _____ for Christ's SECOND COMING (Mt 24:37-25:30)

1) The *illustration of the days of Noah* teaches that while Noah and his family were _____ for the flood, the majority of the world was not _____, though they had been _____. The *result* of the flood involved taking the _____ while the _____ then entered the new _____.

2) The *illustration of two workers* teaches that those _____ will be taken in judgment, while those _____ will be left to enter the kingdom

3) The *illustration of the householder* emphasizes the need to be “_____”: For the Son of Man is coming at an _____ you do not expect” (24:43-44)

4) The illustration of the servants again indicates the need for preparedness in light of Christ's return as the believer who is “*faithful and wise*” will be _____ at Christ's return. (vs 45-48), while the unbeliever who is “*evil*” procrastinates in light of Christ's return and shall be severely _____ (24:45-51)

5) The *parable of the ten virgins* reinforces the need for preparedness in light of Christ's return with the application, “_____ therefore, for you know _____ the day or the hour in which the Son of Man _____.” (25:1-13)

6) The *parable of the talents* once again distinguishes the _____ who believes and is _____ for Christ's return (and is rewarded), in contrast to the _____ who acts in _____, does nothing, and is _____ for Christ's return (25:14-30)

- Where else are the terms “*outer darkness*” or “*weeping and gnashing of teeth*” found? Are these terms used of believers or unbelievers or both?

- How does all this apply to you?