

Olivet Discourse

Matthew	Mark	Luke	Notes
Matt 24	Mark 13	Luke 21	
1 Then Jesus went out and departed from the temple, and His disciples came up to show Him the buildings of the temple.	1 Then as He went out of the temple, one of His disciples said to Him, "Teacher, see what manner of stones and what buildings are here!"	5 Then, as some spoke of the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and donations, He said,	<i>The setting of this discourse begins with the disciples pointing out to Jesus the adornment of the temple.</i>
2 And Jesus said to them, "Do you not see all these things? Assuredly, I say to you, not one stone shall be left here upon another, that shall not be thrown down."	2 And Jesus answered and said to him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone shall be left upon another, that shall not be thrown down."	6 "These things which you see-- the days will come in which not one stone shall be left upon another that shall not be thrown down."	<i>In response to the disciples, Jesus makes a prediction about the temple. Note that Jesus refers to "these things" or "these great buildings"</i>
3 Now as He sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately, saying, "Tell us, when will these things be? And what will be the sign of Your coming, and of the end of the age?"	3 Now as He sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked Him privately, 4 "Tell us, when will these things be? And what will be the sign when all these things will be fulfilled?"	7 So they asked Him, saying, "Teacher, but when will these things be? And what sign will there be when these things are about to take place?"	<i>Note the connection of these verses with "these things."</i>
4 And Jesus answered and said to them: "Take heed that no one deceives you. 5 "For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and will deceive many.	5 And Jesus, answering them, began to say: "Take heed that no one deceives you. 6 "For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am He,' and will deceive many.	8 And He said: "Take heed that you not be deceived. For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am He,' and, 'The time has drawn near.' Therefore do not go after them.	<i>Matt either sets up a question for two discourses, or he phrases the question within Jewish understanding.</i> <i>See Addendum # 1 - Study of Coming of Christ.</i> <i>See Addendum# 2 – False Christs.</i>

6 "And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not troubled; for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. 7 "For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various places. 8 "All these are the beginning of sorrows. 9 "Then they will deliver you up to tribulation and kill you, and you will be hated by all nations for My name's sake. Matt 10:17-21 17 "But beware of men, for they will deliver you up to councils and scourge you in their synagogues. 18 "You will be brought before governors and kings for My sake, as a testimony to them and to the Gentiles.	7 "But when you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be troubled; for such things must happen, but the end is not yet. 8 "For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be earthquakes in various places, and there will be famines and troubles. These are the beginnings of sorrows. 9 "But watch out for yourselves, for they will deliver you up to councils, and you will be beaten in the synagogues. You will be brought before rulers and kings for My sake, for a testimony to them. 10 "And the gospel must first be preached to all the nations.	9 "But when you hear of wars and commotions, do not be terrified; for these things must come to pass first, but the end will not come immediately." 10 Then He said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. 11 "And there will be great earthquakes in various places, and famines and pestilences; and there will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven. 12 "But before all these things, they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons. You will be brought before kings and rulers for My name's sake.	<i>The Jewish War began around 66 AD. Nero committed suicide in 68 AD. See Addendum # 3, Wars</i> <i>See Addendum# 4 Famines, Pestilences, Earthquakes & Signs</i> <i>Note how many times Jesus uses the word "you." It appears he is describing the treatment the disciples will receive. Persecution began immediately. See Acts 4, 6-7, 8, 12</i> <i>Regarding nations, see Col. 1:6 & 23</i>
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15 "Therefore when you see the 'abomination of desolation,' spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place" (whoever reads, let him understand),	14 "So when you see the 'abomination of desolation,' spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing where it ought not" (let the reader understand),	20 "But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation is near.	<i>Jesus now gives a sign that will directly precede (see Luke 21:22) the prophecy given at the onset of the discourse.</i> <i>Matthew and Mark do not define what Daniel meant. However, Luke, writing to a Greek, tells us what the "desolation" means.</i> <i>See Daniel 9</i>
16 "then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains.	"then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains.	21 "Then let those in Judea flee to the mountains, let those who are in the midst of her depart, and let not those who are in the country enter her.	<i>Jesus warns that His followers should lose no time in fleeing. He also cautions how difficult it will be for pregnant or nursing mothers. He encourages His listeners to pray that this time is not in winter or a Sabbath.</i> <i>See Addendum #5 Oracle</i>
17 "Let him who is on the housetop not go down to take anything out of his house. 18 "And let him who is in the field not go back to get his clothes.	15 "Let him who is on the housetop not go down into the house, nor enter to take anything out of his house. 16 "And let him who is in the field not go back to get his garment.	22 "For these are the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.	<i>The judgment of Israel has been predicted. See Deut. 28</i>
19 "But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days!	17 "But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days!	23 "But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days!	
20 "And pray that your flight may not be in winter or on the Sabbath.	18 "And pray that your flight may not be in winter.		

21 "For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be.	19 "For in those days there will be tribulation, such as has not been from the beginning of creation which God created until this time, nor ever shall be.	(23 cont.) For there will be great distress in the land and wrath upon this people.	<i>Great tribulation is taken by Luke to be distress "in the land"</i> <i>See Addendum # 6 "Great Tribulation"</i>
22 "And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect's sake those days will be shortened.	20 "And unless the Lord had shortened those days, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect's sake, whom He chose, He shortened the days.	24 "And they will fall by the edge of the sword, and be led away captive into all nations. And Jerusalem will be trampled by Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.	<i>See Joel 2:28 (Acts 2:17). Also, Gen 6:13, Jer. 2:12</i>
23 "Then if anyone says to you, 'Look, here is the Christ!' or 'There!' do not believe it. 24 "For false christs and false prophets will rise and show great signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect. 25 "See, I have told you beforehand.	21 "Then if anyone says to you, 'Look, here is the Christ!' or, 'Look, He is there!' do not believe it. 22 "For false christs and false prophets will rise and show signs and wonders to deceive, if possible, even the elect. 23 "But take heed; see, I have told you all things beforehand.		<i>The people were led away.</i>

29 "Immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. 30 "Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. 31 "And He will send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other. 32 "Now learn this parable from the fig tree: When its branch has already become tender and puts forth leaves you know that	24 "But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; 25 "the stars of heaven will fall, and the powers in heaven will be shaken. 26 "Then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory. 27 "And then He will send His angels, and gather together His elect from the four winds, from the farthest part of earth to the farthest part of heaven. 28 "Now learn this parable from the fig tree: When its branch has already become tender, and puts forth leaves you know that	25 "And there will be signs in the sun, in the moon, and in the stars; and on the earth distress of nations, with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring; 26 "men's hearts failing them from fear and the expectation of those things which are coming on the earth, for the powers of heaven will be shaken. 27 "Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. 28 "Now when these things begin to happen, look up and lift up your heads, because your redemption draws near." 29 Then He spoke to them a parable: "Look at the fig tree, and all the trees. 30 "When they are already budding you	<i>See Joel 2:30-31, 3:15, Ezk. 32:7-8, Isa. 13:9-10, 34:4, Daniel 8:10</i> <i>Does the "sign" appear in heaven? Or, as the KJV seems to suggest does the sign appear of the Son of Man in heaven? Note Matt 26:63-64 compare Isa. 19:1 & Psalm 104:3</i> <i>The fig tree seems to be a reference to a natural sign – not</i>
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leaves, you know that summer is near. 33 "So you also, when you see all these things, know that it is near-- at the doors! 34 "Assuredly, I say to you, this generation will by no means pass away till all these things take place. <i>35 "Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away.</i> <i>36 "But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only.</i>	leaves, you know that summer is near. 29 "So you also, when you see these things happening, know that it is near-- at the doors! 30 "Assuredly, I say to you, this generation will by no means pass away till all these things take place. <i>31 "Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away.</i> <i>32 "But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.</i>	already budding, you see and know for yourselves that summer is now near. 31 "So you also, when you see these things happening, know that the kingdom of God is near. 32 "Assuredly, I say to you, this generation will by no means pass away till all things take place. <i>33 "Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away.</i> <i>34 "But take heed to yourselves, lest your hearts be weighed down with carousing, drunkenness, and cares of this life, and that Day come on you unexpectedly.</i> <i>35 "For it will come as a snare on all those who dwell on the face of the whole earth.</i> <i>36 "Watch therefore, and pray always that you may be counted worthy to escape all these things that will come to pass, and to stand before the Son of Man."</i>	<i>the nation of Israel. There is no indication that the fig tree is an established symbol of Israel (Lindsey uses Jer. 24). Note Luke says "all the trees"</i> <i>"At the door" - James 5:3-9</i> <i>See Addendum # 7 "this generation"</i> <i>Generation = genea, meaning age, generation, nation, time.</i> <i>This section seems to refer to "the Second Coming"</i>
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26 <i>"Therefore if they say to you, 'Look, He is in the desert!' do not go out; or 'Look, He is in the inner rooms!' do not believe it.</i> 27 <i>"For as the lightning comes from the east and flashes to the west, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.</i> 37 <i>"But as the days of Noah were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.</i> 38 <i>"For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark</i>		<u>Luke 17:20-25</u> 20 <i>Now when He was asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God would come, He answered them and said, "The kingdom of God does not come with observation;</i> 21 <i>"nor will they say, 'See here!' or 'See there!' For indeed, the kingdom of God is within you."</i> 22 <i>Then He said to the disciples, "The days will come when you will desire to see one of the days of the Son of Man, and you will not see it.</i> 23 <i>"And they will say to you, 'Look here!' or 'Look there!' Do not go after them or follow them.</i> 24 <i>"For as the lightning that flashes out of one part under heaven shines to the other part under heaven, so also the Son of Man will be in His day.</i> 25 <i>"But first He must suffer many things and be rejected by this generation.</i> 26 <i>"And as it was in the days of Noah, so it will be also in the days of the Son of Man:</i> 27 <i>"They ate, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, and the flood came and destroyed them all</i>	<i>The discourse in Luke 17 begins with the Pharisees asking when the kingdom of God would come.</i> <i>Jesus answers the Pharisees, and then directs the remainder of the conversation to His disciples.</i> <i>Jesus tell His disciples they that though they will long to see the day of the Son of Man, they will not. This seems to contrast Jesus statement in Matt 16:28. Therefore, it appears He is referring to a different "day."</i> <i>Astrape – bright shining See Matt 28:3, Luke 11:26</i> <i>Astrapo – Lighten or shine, See Luke 24:4</i> <i>"flashes" – Phaino – to appear, or shine, See Matt 1:20, Luke 9:8, John 5:35</i>
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entered the ark, 39 "and did not know until the flood came and took them all away, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. 40 "Then two men will be in the field: one will be taken and the other left. 41 "Two women will be grinding at the mill: one will be taken and the other left.		and destroyed them all. 28 "Likewise as it was also in the days of Lot: They ate, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they built; 29 "but on the day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven and destroyed them all. 30 "Even so will it be in the day when the Son of Man is revealed. 31 "In that day, he who is on the housetop, and his goods are in the house, let him not come down to take them away. And likewise the one who is in the field, let him not turn back. 32 "Remember Lot's wife. 33 "Whoever seeks to save his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life will preserve it. 34 "I tell you, in that night there will be two men in one bed: the one will be taken and the other will be left. 35 "Two women will be grinding together: the one will be taken and the other left. 36 "Two men will be in the field: the one will be taken and the other left."	"Even so" – or – in the same way, Jesus indicates that some will be taken while others left.
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(((28 "For wherever the carcass is, there the eagles will be gathered together.))) 42 "Watch therefore, for you do not know what hour your Lord is coming. 43 "But know this, that if the master of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched and not allowed his house to be broken into. 44 "Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.		37 And they answered and said to Him, "Where, Lord?" So He said to them, "Wherever the body is, there the eagles will be gathered together."	The disciples ask where they will be "taken." Jesus responds with the idiom that says – where you'll find vultures, you'll find the bodies.
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