

The Chief Cornerstone

**His Soon Return
&
His Final Judgments**

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His Soon Return

- Jesus promised He would return and establish the Kingdom of God on the earth.
- This is a major theme of the NT.
- We are still awaiting (in faith) the fulfillment of this promise.

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Signs of His Coming

Matthew 24:1

- Look at 8 Signs

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Signs of His Coming

Sign #1

Widespread deception (vs 4-5)

- Deceive = to seduce you & cause you to go the wrong way
- "I am Christ" or "I am anointed"
- Try every spirit (1 John 4:1)

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Signs of His Coming

Sign #2

Reports of wars & rumors of wars (vs 6-7a)

- "don't be afraid"
- The end is drawing near
- Ethnic Group vs. Ethnic Group

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Sign #3

Famines, Pestilences & Earthquakes (vs 7b)

- Famines = hunger, lack of food
- Pestilence = plagues, disease
- Earthquake: more in our lifetime

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Sign #4

Persecution of Believers in Christ (vs 9-10)

- Pressure to conform or die
- One world religion
- Get rid of the Christians

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Sign #5

False prophets & False religions (vs 11)

- New Age
- Looks good, smells good, taste good but it kills!!!

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Sign #6

Lawlessness will abound (vs 12)

- Disregard for authority
- Rebellion
- B/C of this many who love the Lord will say, "what's the use", "I give up"

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Sign #7

The Greatest Missions Movement in History (vs 14)

- Taking the Gospel to the nations
- This is happening like never before.
- Still many need to hear!

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Sign #8

Similar to the Days of Noah (vs 36-39)

- "eating, drinking, marrying"
- a) Life will be somewhat normal
- b) Sensuality, Ungodliness
- c) Men will be told the truth and ignore, resist & mock it. (Noah warned for about 120 yrs)

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His Soon Return

(vs 40-44)

He will come suddenly!!! Be Ready!

Matthew 25

- The Parable of the Wise & Foolish Virgins (waiting)
- The Parable of the Talents (working)

1 Thess 4:13-18 - The Rapture

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His Final Judgments

Matthew 25:31-46

➤ **The Great White Throne Judgment**

Sinners (those who reject Jesus)
Rev 20:11-15

➤ **The Judgment Seat of Christ**

Saints (those who receive Jesus)
1 Cor 3:10-15
2 Cor 5:4-11

Judged according to works & service 13
