

## Outline – April 11, 2021

Matthew 24:37-39; Luke 17:26-32; Revelation 13:11-17; Genesis 6:1-5, 11-12

Question 2: Do The Events Of The Past Point To The Return Of Jesus?

### So Are These the Last Days?

#### I. An overview of the World

##### (Biblical History)

- A. God's creation to Noah
- B. Noah to Abraham
- C. Nation of Israel
- D. The Advent of Jesus
- E. The Age of Grace (church)
- F. The Rapture and Tribulation
- G. The Return and Reign

#### II. An overview of Jesus' teaching

- A. He would rise from the dead – (John 2:18-22)
- B. He would come and take his people home (Rapture) – (John 14:3)
- C. He would return – (Matthew 24:20) (Acts 1:11)
- D. He will reign – (Revelation 20:6) (Revelation 21:6)
- E. These are the last days – (Hebrews 1:1-4)
- F. Signs would be given – (Matthew 24)

#### III. An overview of 12 signs

- A. Israel becomes a nation – (Jeremiah 23; Ezekiel 38; Matthew 24)
  - 1. Greatest prophetic event of the 20<sup>th</sup> century
- B. Gospel in all the nations
- C. Ability to self-destruct
- D. Weather pattern changes
- E. Pestilence and famines
- F. Knowledge explosion (Daniel 12)
- G. Wars and rumors of wars
- H. Ethnos against ethnos
- I. Nations against Israel
- J. Social breakdown
  - Moral breakdown
- K. Apostasy – leaving the faith
- L. Total economic control based on mark of allegiance – (Revelation 13:16)  
(Nimrod, Pharaoh's, Caesars, Charlamagne, and Hitler)
- M. Satan's fight against God now reaching a crescendo

**IV. Jesus specific signs of Noah and Lot**

- A. A level of perversion God calls:
  - 1. An abomination
  - 2. Unnatural
  - 3. Bad doctrine
- B. Attacks on righteousness
- C. Attacks against God's people
- D. No respect for warning
- E. Evil on the mind continuously
- F. Longing for control and power and the desire to punish
- G. Both Noah's day and Lot's day met with judgement

**V. Remember Lot's wife**

- A. She was around the righteous
- B. She was warned by angels
- C. She was led by angels
- D. She was spared
- E. Her heart was in the city
- F. She disobeyed God
- G. Judgment fell

**VI. What happened in 2020**

- A. Pandemic occurs (Over 400k die)
- B. Lockdowns
- C. Government overreach
  - Constitutional rights dismissed
  - Churches were targets not protestors – controlled, crippled, contained
- D. Racial, ethnic, and philosophical division
- E. Suicide rates increased
- F. Unemployment
- G. Shelves emptied

**VII. The coming world leader (Antichrist)**

- A. Will have total control
- B. Will determine how you buy and sell
- C. Will demand allegiance – worship
- D. Will seek to destroy Christians
- E. Will not heed the warning of God
- F. Will be destroyed and judged by God
- G. People of Noah's day or Lot's day heeded God's warning

**VIII. The Hope given**

- A. Revelation, consummation, and motivation
- B. Be careful of drifting away
- C. Be confident of the truth of the word
- D. Be consistent in serving the Messiah
- E. Choose this day whom you will serve

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