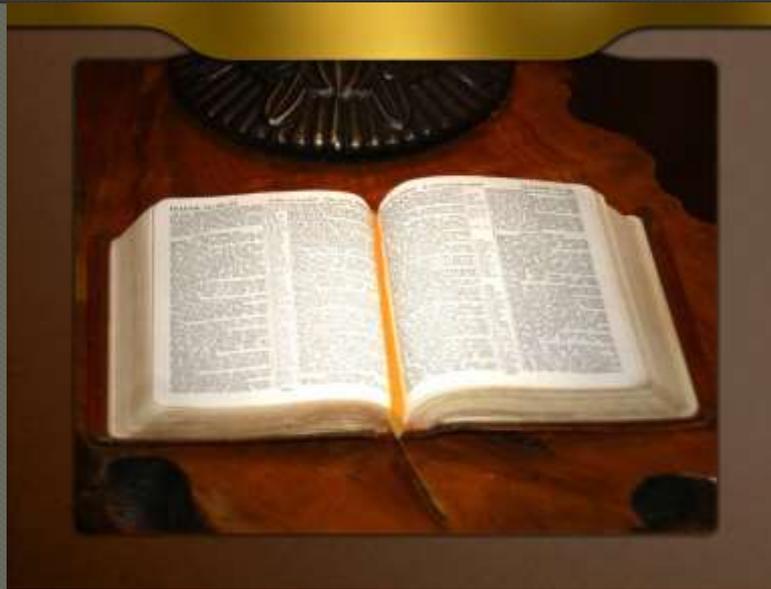


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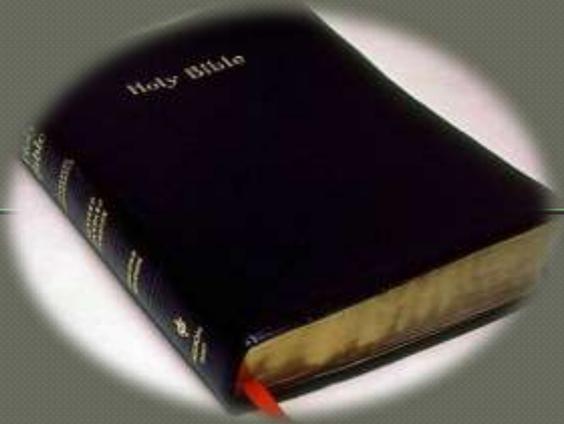
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Today's Topic
“Our Lord's Great Prophecy”

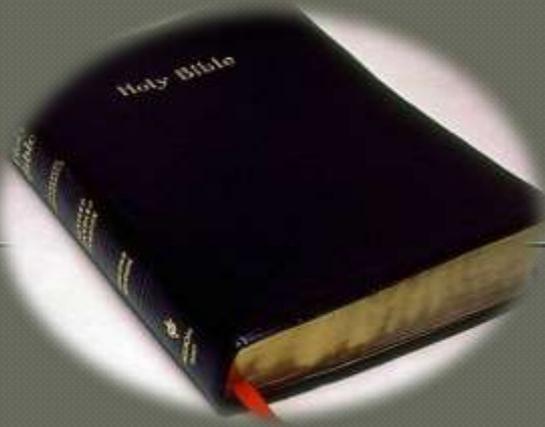
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1. HOW did Christ feel concerning Jerusalem?
Luke 19:41,42.

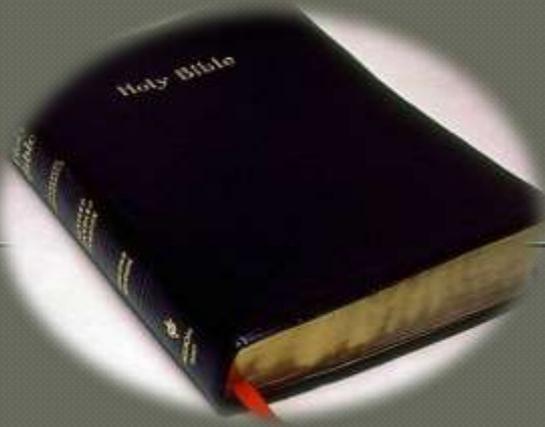




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1. Luke 19:41,42

"And when He was come near, He beheld the city, and wept over it, saying, If thou had known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things which belong unto thy peace! but now they are hid from your eyes."



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2. In what words did He foretell its destruction? Luke 19:43,44

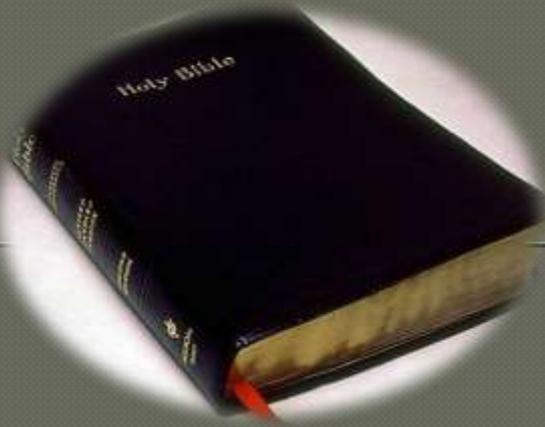




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2. Luke 19:43,44

"For the days shall come upon thee, that your enemies shall cast a trench about thee, and compass thee round, and keep thee in on every side, and shall lay thee even with the ground, and thy children within thee; and they shall not leave in thee one stone upon another; because thou knew not the time of thy visitation."



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3. What pitiful appeal did He make to the impenitent city?
Matt. 23:37

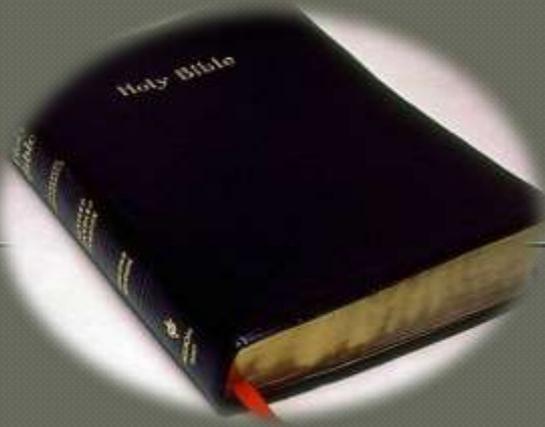




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3. Mathew 23:37

"O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that kills the prophets, and stones them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathered her chickens under her wings, and you would not!" Matt. 23:37.



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4. As He was about to leave the temple, what did He say?
Matthew 23:38.

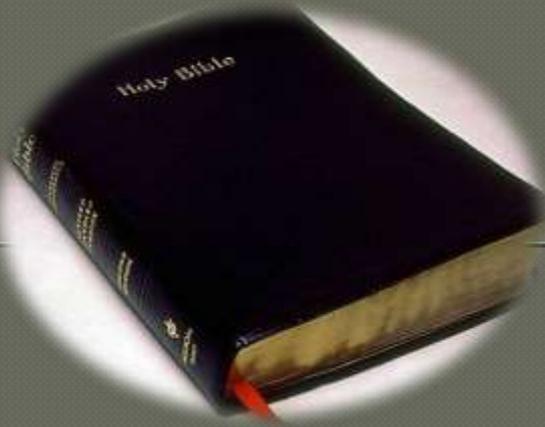




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4. Mathew 23:38

"Behold, your house is left unto you desolate."



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5. Hearing these words, what questions did the disciples ask?
Matt. 24:3.



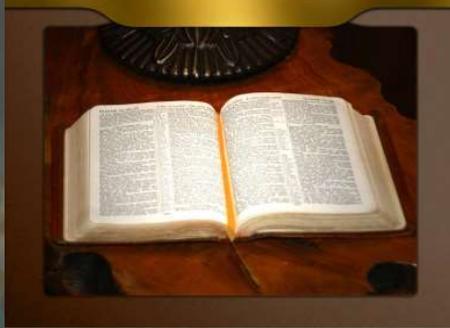


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5. Mathew 24:3

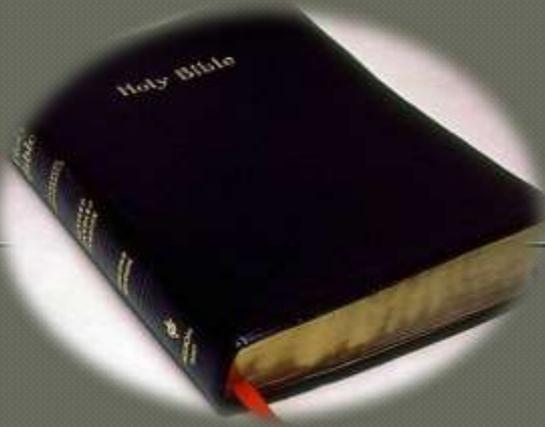
"Tell us, when shall these things be? And what shall be the sign of Thy coming, and of the end of the world?"





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Christ's answers to these questions are worthy of the most careful study. The destruction of Jerusalem and the overthrow of the Jewish nation attending it are a type of the final destruction of all the cities of the world, and the overthrow of all nations. To some extent, therefore, the descriptions of the two great events seem to be blended. When Christ referred to the destruction of Jerusalem, His prophetic words reached beyond that event to the final conflagration when the Lord shall rise out of His place "to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity, and when the earth shall disclose her blood, and shall no more cover her slain." Isa. 26:21. Thus the entire discourse was given not for the early disciples only, but for those who were to live during the closing scenes of the world's history. During the discourse Christ did, however, give definite signs, both of the destruction of Jerusalem and of His second coming.



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6. Did Christ indicate that either event was imminent?

Matt. 24:4-6

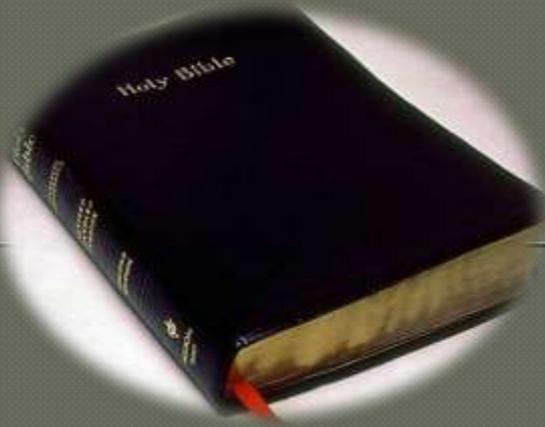




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6. Mathew 24:4-6

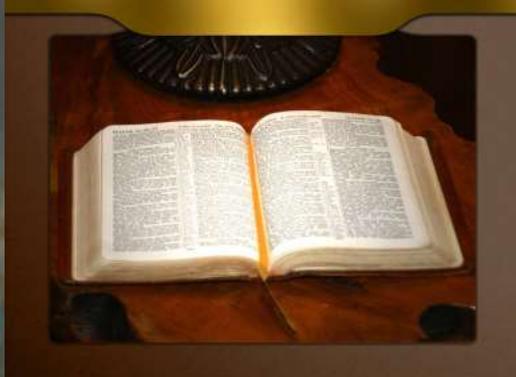
"Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you. For many shall come in My name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many. And you shall hear of wars and rumors of wars: see that you be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet." Verses 4-6.



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7. What did He say of the wars?
Matt. 24:8

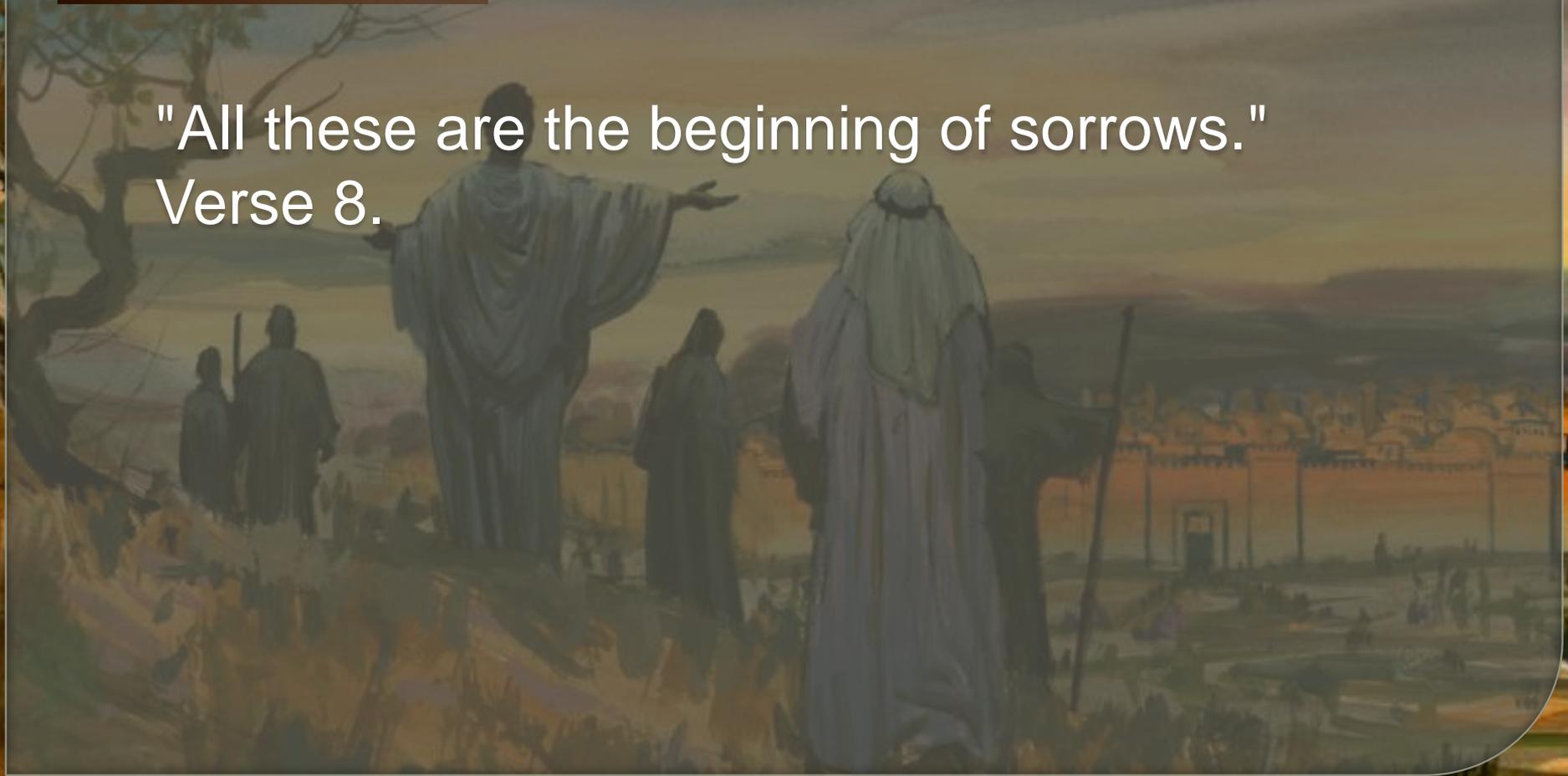


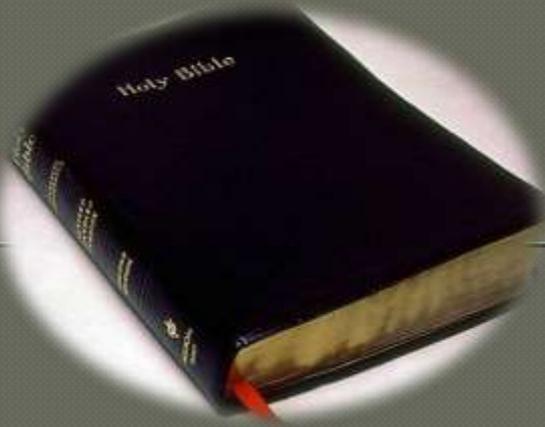


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7. Mathew 24:8

"All these are the beginning of sorrows."
Verse 8.

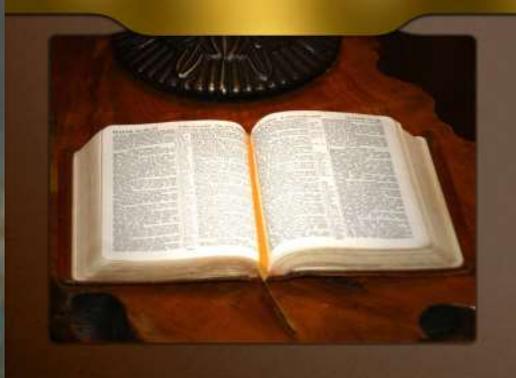




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8. What would be the experiences of His people?
Matt. 24:9-12

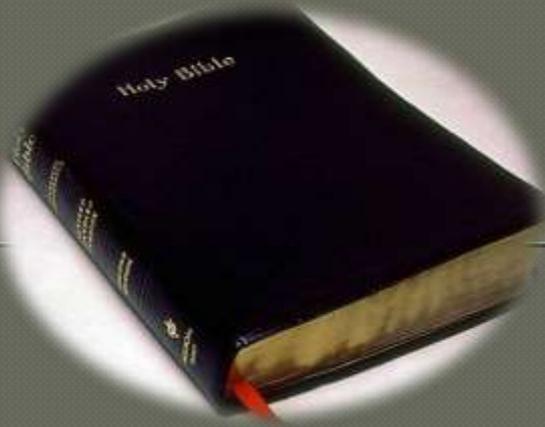




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8. Mathew 24:9-12

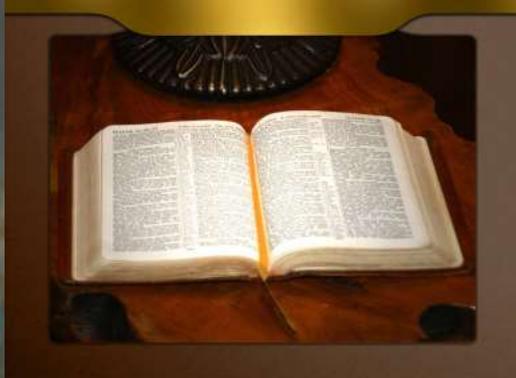
"Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and you shall be hated of all nations for My name's sake. And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another. And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many. And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold."
Verses 9-12.



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9. Who did he say would be saved? Matt. 24:13

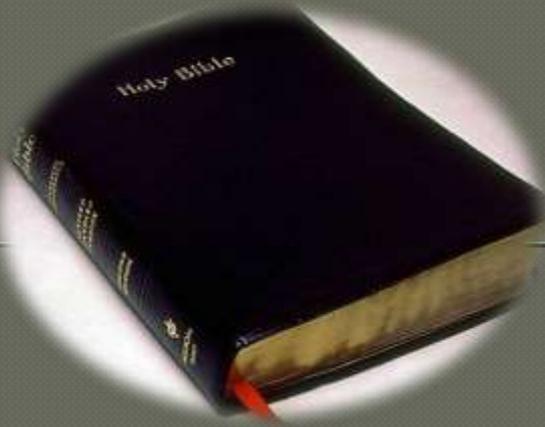




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9. Mathew 24:13

"But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved." Verse 13.



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10. When did Christ say the end would come? Matt. 10:14

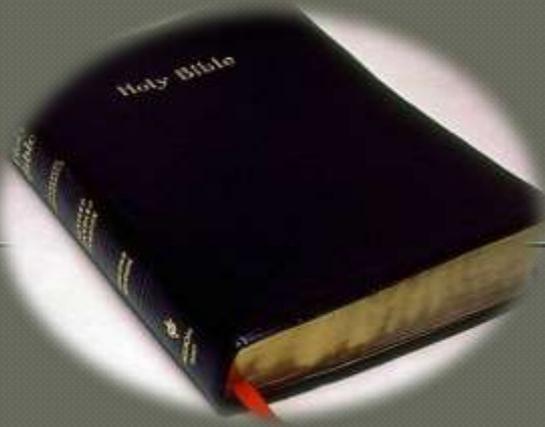




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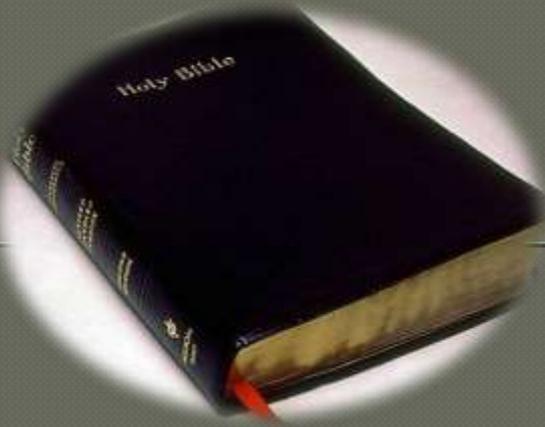




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11. What would be a sign of the fall of Jerusalem? Luke 21:20



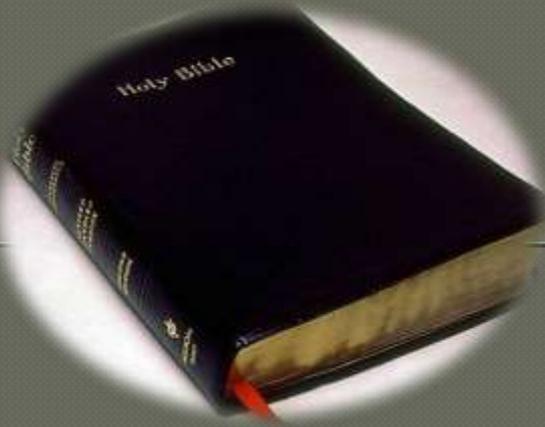


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11. Luke 21:20

"And when you shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh."

Luke 21: 20.



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12. When this sign appeared,
what were the disciples to do?
Matt. 24:15,16





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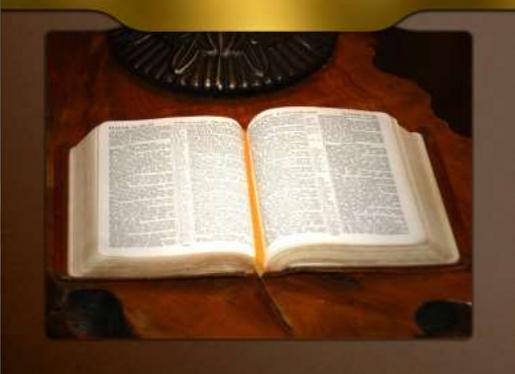
12. Matt 24:15,16

"When you therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:) then let them which be in Judea flee into the mountains." Matt. 24:15,16.



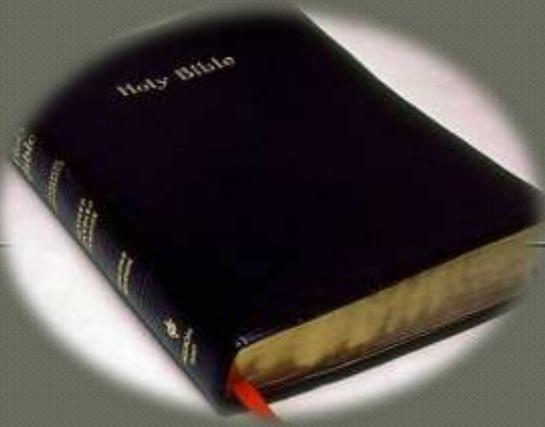
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In October, 66 A.D., when Cestius came against the city, but for some unaccountable reason suddenly withdrew his army from it, the Christians discerned in this the sign foretold by Christ, and fled. After the departure of Cestius, Josephus, in his "Wars of the Jews," chapter 20, says that "many of the most eminent of the Jews swam away from the city, as from a ship when it is going to sink"



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It is a remarkable fact that in the terrible siege which occurred under Titus three and one-half years later, not a single Christian is known to have lost his life, while 1,100,000 Jews are said to have perished in it. Here is a most striking lesson on the value and importance of studying and believing the prophecies, and giving heed to the signs of the times. Those who believed what Christ had said, and watched for the sign which He had foretold, were saved, while the unbelieving perished. So it will be in the end of the world. The watchful and believing will be delivered, while the careless and unbelieving will be snared and taken.



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13. When the sign appeared,
how suddenly were they to flee?
Matt. 24:17,18

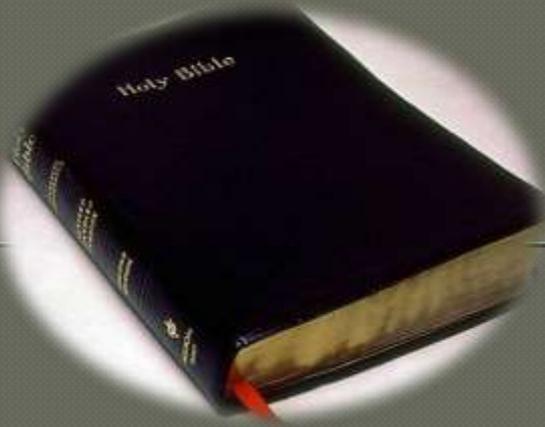




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13. Matt 24:17,18

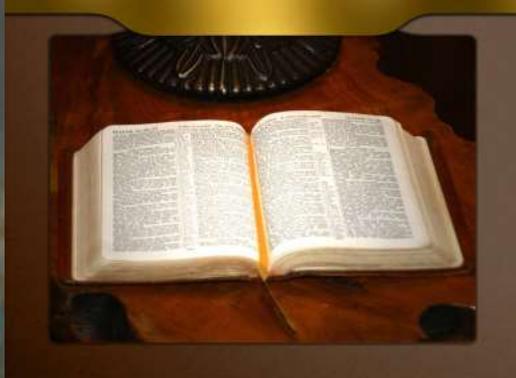
"Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take anything out of his house: neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes." Verses 17,18.



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14. How did Christ further show His solicitude and tender care for disciples? Matt. 24:20

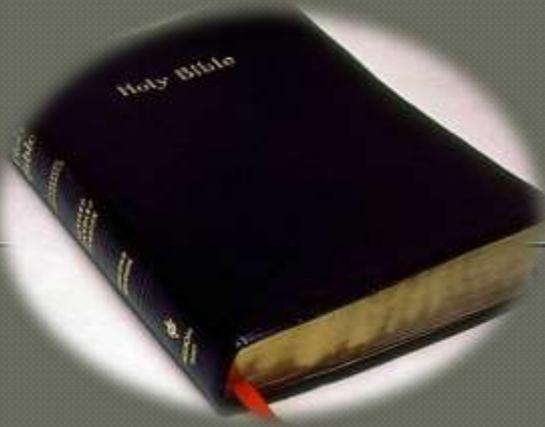




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14. Matt 24:20

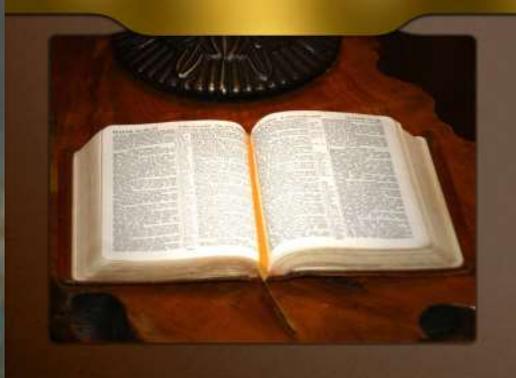
"But pray you that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the Sabbath day." Verse 20.



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15. What trying experience did Christ then foretell? Matt. 24:21

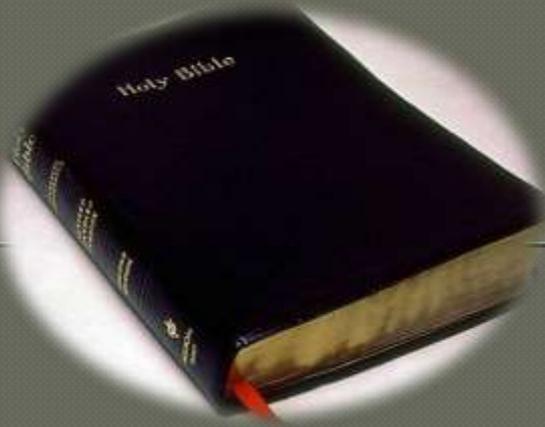




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15. Matt 24:21

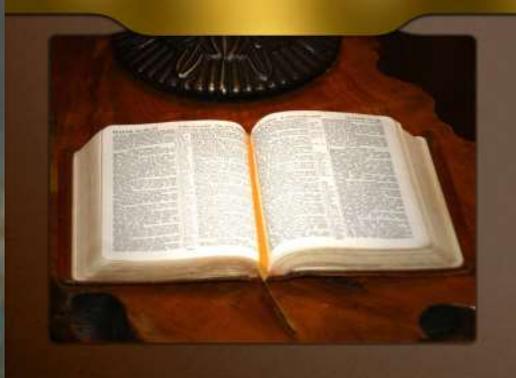
"For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be." Verse 21.



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16. For whose sake would the period be shortened? Matt. 24:22

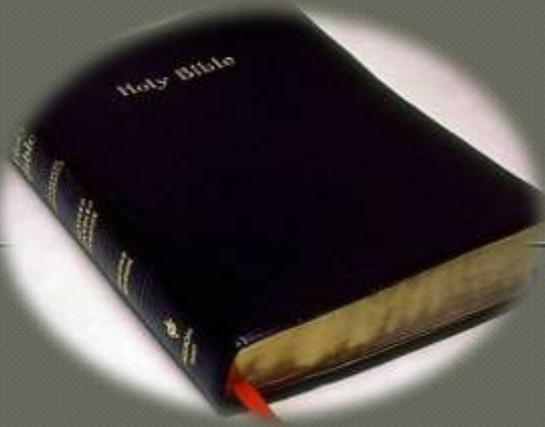




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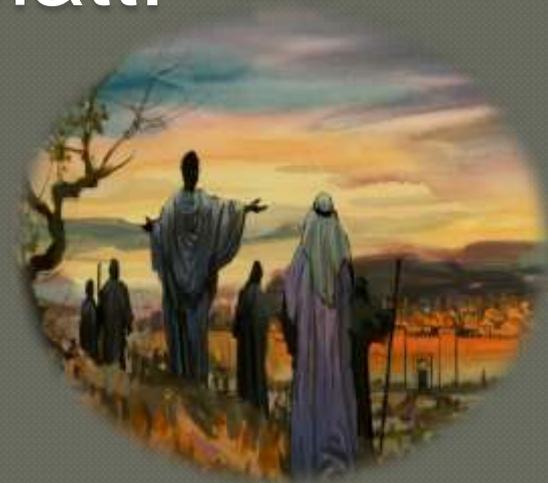
16. Matt 24:22

"And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened." Verse 22.



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17. Against what deceptions did Christ then warn us? Matt. 24:23,24

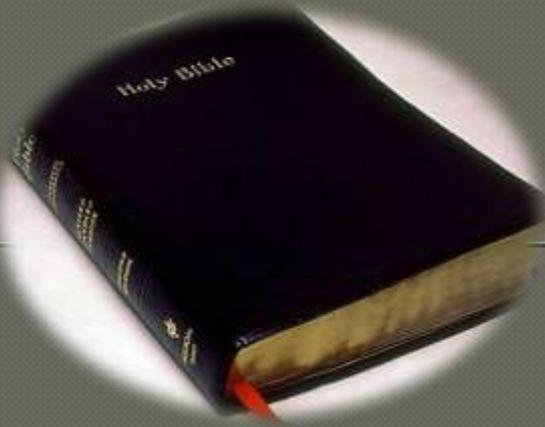




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17. Matt 24:23,24

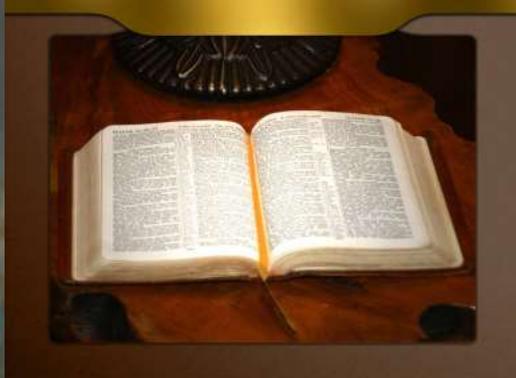
"Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not. For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall show great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect." Verses 23, 24.



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18. What signs of the end would be seen in the heavens? Luke 21:25



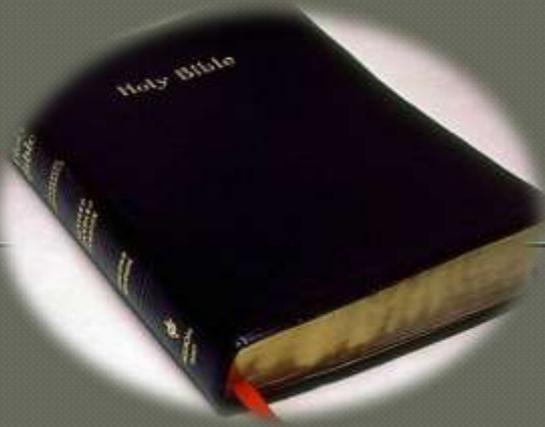


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18. Luke 21:25,26

There shall be signs in the sun,
and in the moon, and in the stars;





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19. When were the first of these signs to appear? Matt. 24:29



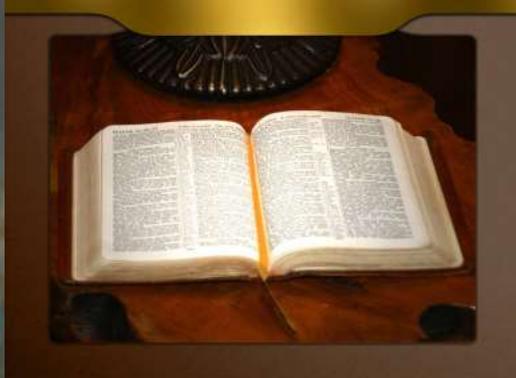


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19. Matt. 24:29

"Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven."

Matt. 24:29.



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19. Mark 13:24,25

"But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun shall be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars of heaven shall fall, and the powers that are in heaven shall be shaken." Mark 13:24,25.



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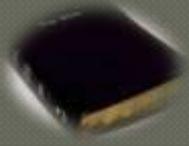
19. The Dark Day

May 19, 1780, is known in history as "the dark day." On this day over a large portion of the New World, upon which at this time the eyes of all the world were centered, there occurred, at midday, a remarkable darkness. "Candles were lighted in many houses. The birds were silent, and disappeared. The fowls retired to roost." In harmony with the impression God evidently designed should be made by the sign, many thought the day of judgment was at hand.



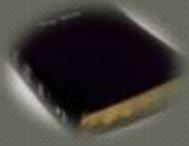
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Although it was full moon only the night before, the darkness of this night was so intense that for a time no luminous body whatever appeared in the heavens, and a sheet of white paper could not be seen when held within a few inches of the eyes.



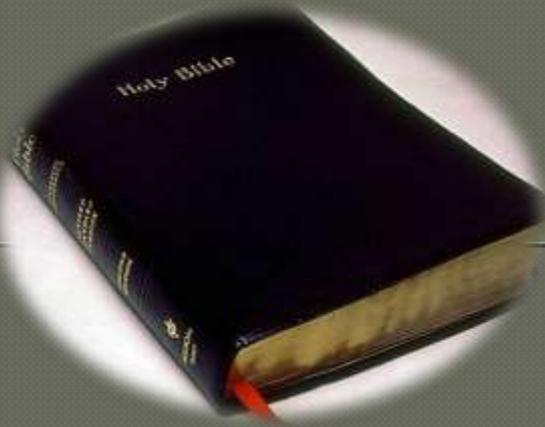
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Falling of the Star: On the morning of November 13, 1833, there occurred the most wonderful exhibition of shooting stars the world has ever seen. Those who witnessed it, says Professor Olmsted, the celebrated astronomer of Yale College, "probably saw the greatest display of celestial fireworks that has ever been since the creation of the world, or at least within the annals covered by the pages of history



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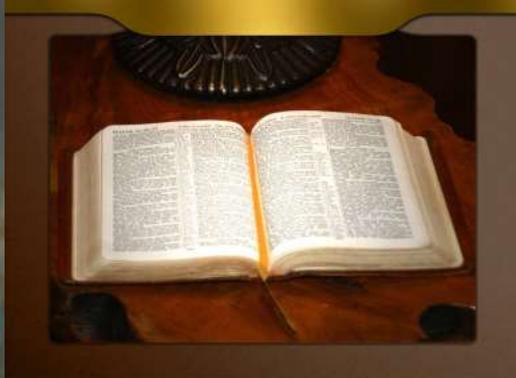
" The extent of this shower, he says, was such as to cover no inconsiderable part of the earth's surface." And, like the darkening of the sun and moon, it was considered by many who saw it as "the harbinger of the coming of the Son of man."



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20. What were to be the signs on earth of Christ's coming? Matt. 24:29

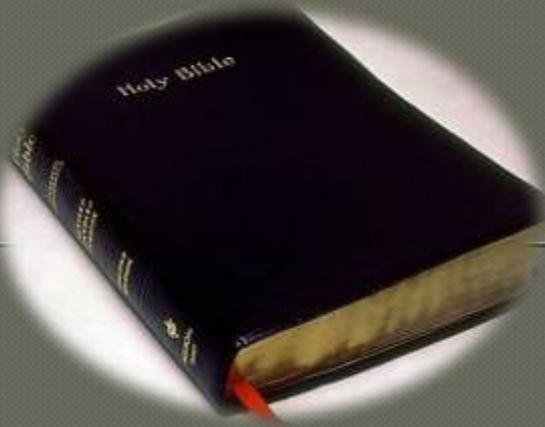




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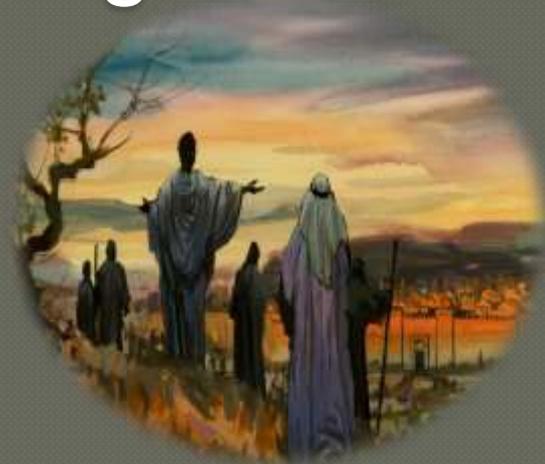
20. Luke 21:25,26

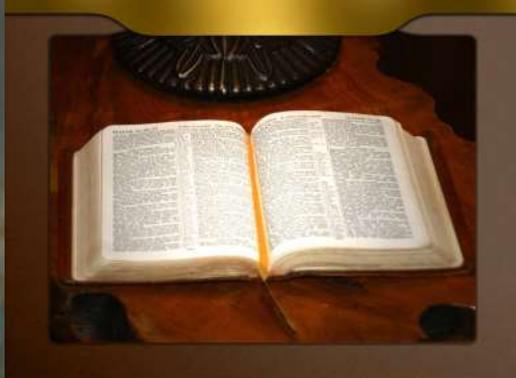
Distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring; men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: Luke 21:25,26.



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21. What was to be the next great event after these signs?
Luke 21:27

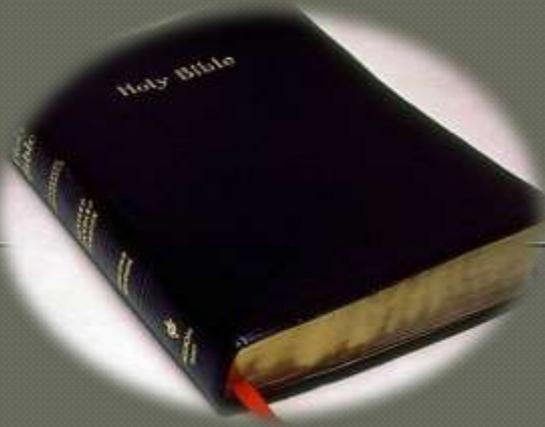




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21. Luke 21:27

And then shall they see the
Son of man coming in a
cloud with power and great
glory.



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22. When these things begin to happen, what should we do?
Luke 21:28

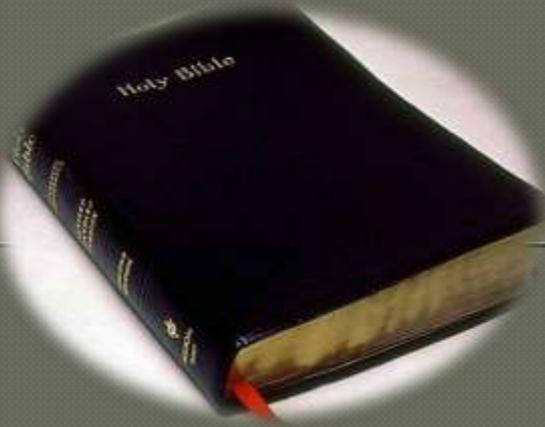




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22. Luke 21:28

And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.



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23. When the trees put forth their leaves, what do we know? Matt. 24:32

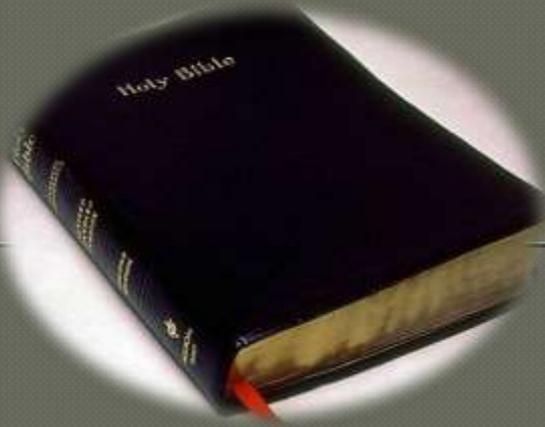




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23. Matt 24:32

"Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and puts forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh." Matt. 24:32.

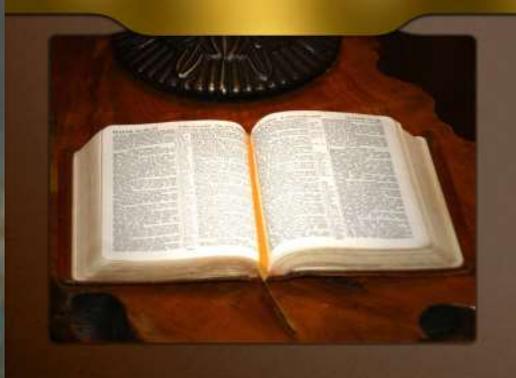


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24. What do we likewise know when these signs are seen?

Luke 21:31

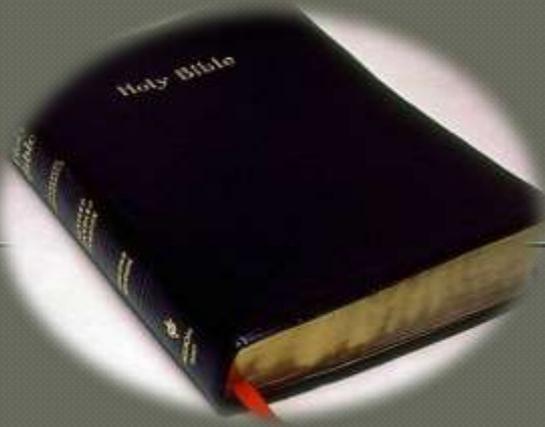




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24. Luke 21:31

"So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand.



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25. What did Christ say of the certainty of this prophecy?
Matt. 24:34,35



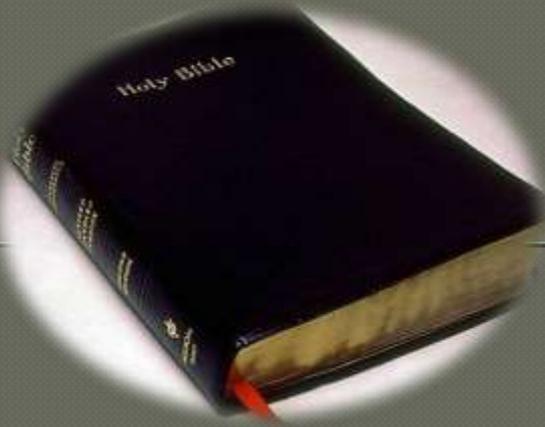


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25. Matt. 24:34,35

24:35 Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled.

24:35 Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away.



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26. Who alone knows the exact days of Christ's Coming?
Matt. 24:36

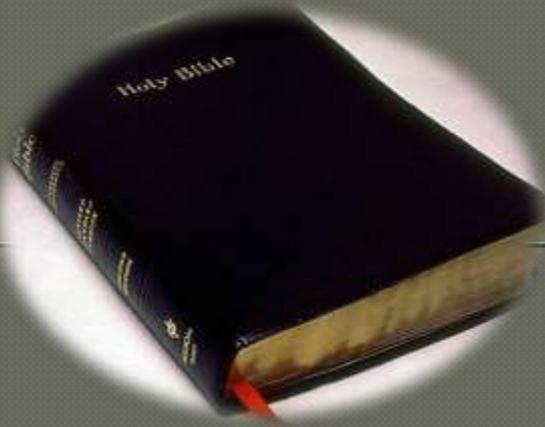




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26. Matt. 24:36

But of that day and hour knoweth no [man], no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.

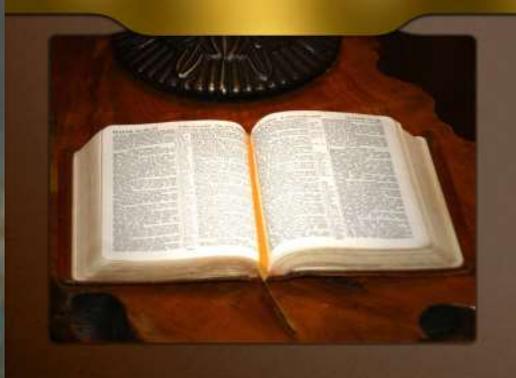


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27. What moral conditions would precede Christ's second advent?

Matt. 24:37-39



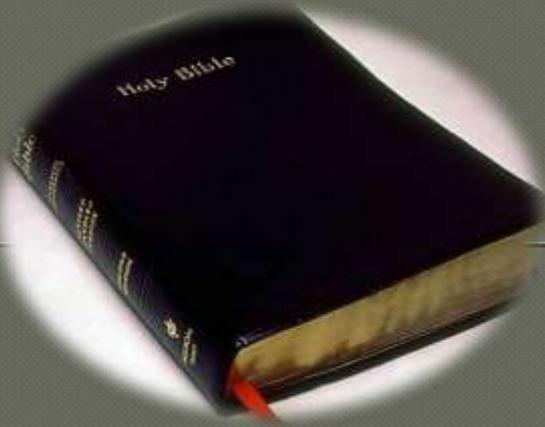


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27. Matt. 24:37-38

24:37 But as the days of Noe [were], so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

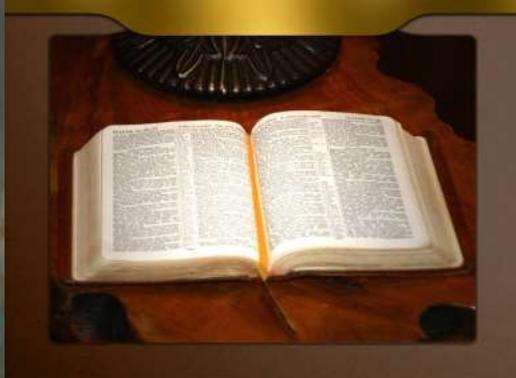
24:38 For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark,



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28. What important admonition
has Christ given us?
Matt. 24:44

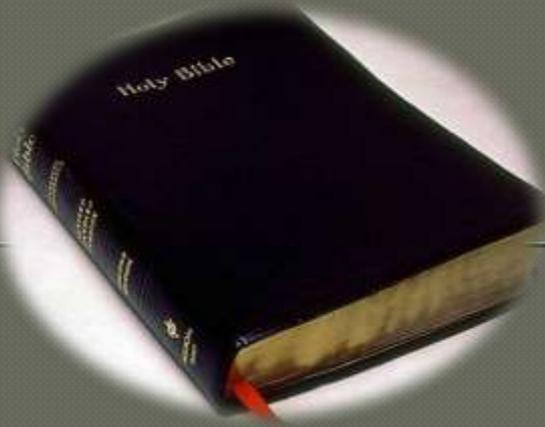




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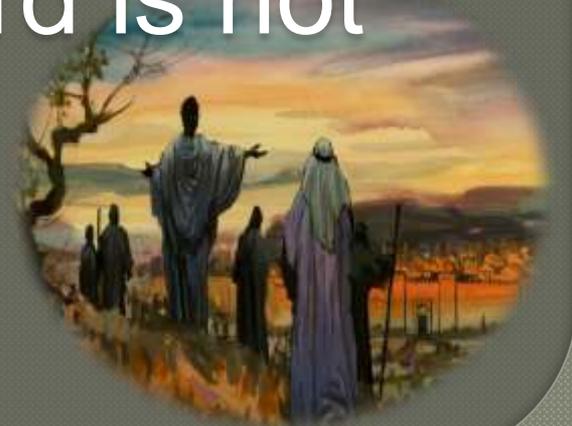
28. Matt. 24:34

24:44 Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.



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29. What will be the experience of those who say in their hearts that the Lord is not coming soon? Matt. 24:48-51





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29. Matt. 24:48-51

24:48 But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming;

24:49 And shall begin to smite [his] fellow servants, and to eat and drink with the drunken;

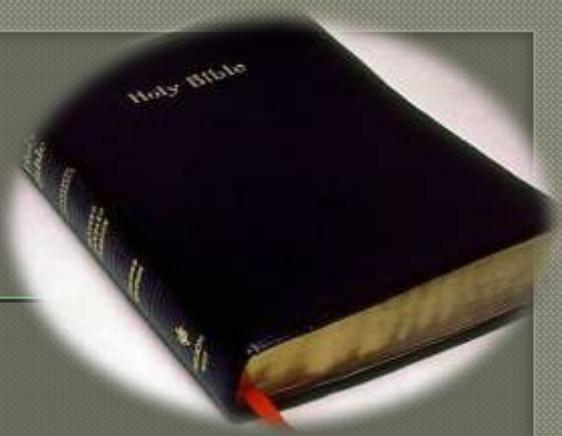


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29. Matt. 24:48-51

The lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for [him], and in an hour that he is not aware of, And shall cut him asunder, and appoint [him] his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

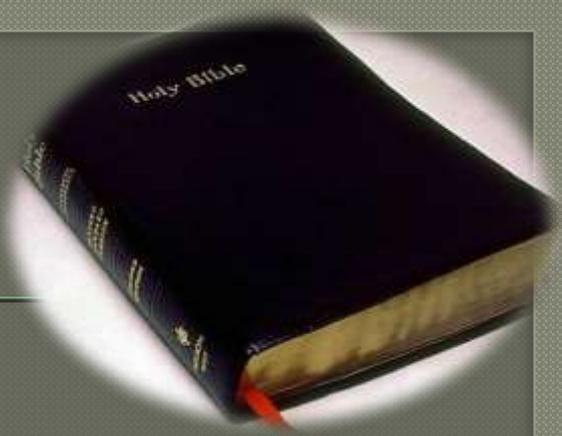
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