**20201206 The Sign of the Second Coming of Jesus Christ** Part 3 – **The Finale**

Matthew 24:15-30

“If you fully obey the LORD your God and carefully follow all his commands I give you today, the LORD your God will set you high above all the nations on earth. All these blessings will come upon you and accompany you if you obey the LORD your God:

However, if you do not obey the LORD your God and do not carefully follow all his commands and decrees I am giving you today, all these curses will come upon you and overtake you: You will be cursed in the city and cursed in the country.” (Deuteronomy 28:1-2, 15)

**ONE. THE SIGN (THE DEFINITE AND UNQUESTIONABLE MARK OF THE TIME) THROUGH WHICH PEOPLE WILL RECOGNIZE THE BEGINNING OF THE TROUBLE**

15 So when you see standing in the holy place 'the abomination that causes desolation,' spoken of through the prophet Daniel -let the reader understand- (Matthew 24:15)

Daniel 9:27

27 He (Antichrist) will confirm a covenant with many for one 'seven.' **In the middle of the 'seven'** he will put an end to sacrifice and offering. And **on a wing of the temple he will set up an abomination that causes desolation**, until the end that is decreed is poured out on him."

Daniel 11:31

31 His armed forces will rise up to **de**secrate the temple fortress and will abolish the daily sacrifice. Then they will set up the abomination that causes deso**la**tion.

Daniel 12:11

11 From the time that the daily sacrifice is abolished and the abomination that causes desolation is set up, there will be 1,290 days.

**TWO. THE EXTREME URGENCY FOR THOSE IN JERUSALEM AT THAT TIME.**

In verse 16 then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains.

In verse 17 Let no one on the roof of his house go down to take anything out of the house.

In verse 18 Let no one in the field go back to get his cloak.

In verses 19 to 21 How dreadful it will be in those days for pregnant women and nursing mothers! Pray that your flight will not take place in winter or on the Sabbath. For then there will be great distress, unequaled from the beginning of the world until now--and never to be equaled again. If those days had not been cut short, no one would survive, but for the sake of the elect those days will be shortened.

**THREE. FALSE CHRISTS AND FALSE PROPHETS**

26 So if anyone tells you, 'There he is, out in the desert,' do not go out; or, 'Here he is, in the inner rooms,' do not believe it.

27 For as lightning that comes from the east is visible even in the west, so will be the coming of the Son of Man.

28 Wherever there is a carcass, there the vultures will gather.

**FOUR. THE FINALE**

29 Immediately after the distress of those days 'the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from the sky, and the heavenly bodies will be shaken.'

30 At that time the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, and all the nations of the earth will mourn. They will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of the sky, with power and great glory.

**APPLICATIONS**

**Number One. God will keep His promise for you. Jesus is your lawyer. He is your protector. He is your provider.**

**Number Two. Death has been defeated and God’s righteousness and justice will ultimately prevail. Therefore, there is our hope in Jesus Christ.**

**Number Three. We want to share this truth with as many people as we can.**