

Luke 21 – JERUSALEM IN THE CROSSHAIRS...AGAIN!

In the 21st Chapter of Luke, we find a similar discourse about the time of the destruction of Jerusalem that is found also in Mark 13 and Matthew 24. But, surprisingly to me, the Lord made me aware of a special Message in Luke 21 that relates to the End of the End Times, a Latter-Days Message that the Jews of THAT TIME will need to know is coming.

For those of you who are unconcerned about living through “The Tribulation” Period – also known as “The Time of Jacob’s (that is, Israel’s) Trouble” (“Jacob’s Trouble,” for short, hereinafter) – because you KNOW that YOU WILL BE RESCUED BY JESUS **BEFORE** THAT OCCURS, BECAUSE YOU WILL BE WITH HIM WHEN HE COMES FOR YOU AT THE 1st RAPTURE, then YOU don’t have to read any further, unless you want to learn about what God’s word teaches about that time!

However, I, personally, am VERY interested in Eschatology, the study of End-Times Things, and God has taught me GREATLY about what His Word teaches about that...and I’m learning more every single day!!! Therefore, I URGE YOU to LEARN what will come to pass during Jacob’s Trouble, which is the 7-year period that precedes the imminent Return of Jesus with His Saints to establish His Kingdom on the earth for 1000 years! Jacob’s Trouble will be TROUBLE for the Jews because that will be when the antichrist reigns on the earth too.

Let’s start with the discourse Jesus is having with others in Chapter 21, and even in the end of Chapter 20, which was one continuous scroll that Luke wrote originally:

Chapter 21, verse 6 has Jesus making a bold prediction about the buildings in the city of Jerusalem, and, when reading Mark 13 and Matthew 24, we know that that included the Temple (Herod’s Temple complex, that is). We first have to see to whom He was speaking this, right? (RIGHT!)

Well, verse 7 has the response from whomever it was that they were calling Him “Master,” meaning “Instructor” or “Teacher;” when we consider the discourse of Mark 13 and Matthew 24 (see Matthew 24:1, especially, and thereafter, read Matthew 24:2 in context; then read Mark 13:1-2 for a further consideration), it would appear that it was mainly the Temple Complex that Jesus was referring to in these 3 Chapters. Mark 13, though, starts to give us the idea that it was also the other buildings in the area of the Temple that He was referring to.

Who called Him Master? Was it just the disciples, as Matthew 24:1 (disciples, plural) and Mark 13:1 (only 1 disciple) tells us that He was speaking to? Let’s look at the context of Luke 21, going back into Chapter 20:

Luke 20:45-47 KJVR

- (45) Then **in the audience of all the people he said unto his disciples,**
- (46) **Beware of the scribes, which desire to walk in long robes, and love greetings in the markets, and the highest seats in the synagogues, and the chief rooms at feasts;**
- (47) **Which devour widows' houses, and for a show make long prayers: the same shall receive greater damnation.**

Luke 21:1-7 KJVR

- (1) And **he looked up, and saw the rich men** casting their gifts into the treasury.
- (2) And **he saw also a certain poor widow** casting in thither two mites.
- (3) And he said, **Of a truth I say unto you, that this poor widow hath cast in more than they all:**
- (4) **For all these have of their abundance cast in unto the offerings of God: but she of her penury hath cast in all the living that she had.**
- (5) And **as some spake of the temple,** how it was adorned with goodly stones and gifts, he said,

- (6) *As for these things which ye behold, the days will come, in the which there shall not be left one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.*
- (7) And **they asked him, saying, Master**, but when shall these things be? and what sign *will there be* when these things shall come to pass?

So, we are led to think that it was just the disciples that He was talking to, but it was IN THE HEARING OF THE GENERAL POPULACE, AND IT WAS SOME OF THEM who inquired of this! And, again, it was in reference to the Temple itself that they asked. But Mark 13:1-2 states this:

Mark 13:1-2 KJVR

- (1) And **as he went out of the temple**, one of his disciples saith unto him, Master, **see what manner of stones and what buildings are here!**
- (2) And **Jesus answering said** unto him, **Seest thou these great buildings? there shall not be left one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.**

I don't believe He was only referring to the Temple Complex as they all WENT OUT OF THE TEMPLE. I will further evidence that shortly within the following:

First of all, Mark 13:3, especially, tells us WHERE THEY WERE when He spoke to them about all of this, and from what vantage point the four disciples He was speaking to there were viewing the buildings OUTSIDE OF the Temple:

Mark 13:3-4 KJVR

- (3) And **as he sat upon the mount of Olives over against the temple**, Peter and James and John and Andrew asked him privately,
- (4) Tell us, when shall these things be? and what *shall be* the sign when all these things shall be fulfilled?

Yes, Jesus was telling the one disciple of Mark 13:1, in Mark 13:2, that THE TEMPLE would have all of its stones cast down so that there'd not be left one stone upon another, but it was to ALL THE DISCIPLES PRIVATELY that He was talking about ALL THE BUILDINGS in that area of Jerusalem.

Here is how we can know that for certain:

Luke 21:5-6 KJVR

- (5) And as some spake of the temple, how it was adorned with goodly stones and gifts, he said,
- (6) *As for these things which ye behold, the days will come, in the which there shall not be left one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.*

The words "be thrown down" are misleading! Here is what the original word reveals to us is actually meant:

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kat-al-oo'-o

From G2596 and G3089; to *loosen down* (**disintegrate**), that is, (by implication) to **demolish** (literally or figuratively); specifically (compare G2646) to *halt* for the night: - destroy, **dissolve**, be guest, lodge, **come to nought**, overthrow, throw down.

The buildings will be DISINTEGRATED, DISSOLVED, DEMOLISHED!!!

THIS was NOT JUST referring to the Temple Complex and the buildings around it at the time of Jesus, it was referring to the time of the soon-to-be-constructed 3rd Temple and the buildings in the city of Jerusalem NOW!!!

THERE WILL BE WAR IN ISRAEL AGAIN, AND JERUSALEM WILL BE DESTROYED BY BOMBS IN MODERN WARFARE!!!

What does Jesus say in the results of THAT time He had spoken of in Luke 21? Look here:

Luke 21:20-24 KJVR

- (20) **And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh.**
- (21) **Then let them which are in Judea flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto.**
- (22) **For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.**
- (23) **But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, in those days! for there shall be great distress in the land, and wrath upon this people.**
- (24) **And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.**

What can we learn by these words of Christ Jesus? Let's detail all that He said to the disciples privately, that we are privy to now:

(1) Jerusalem WILL BE surrounded by armies (verse 20) – this is LIKELY going to be THE Battle of Armageddon, but it MIGHT BE only a part of that Battle, or it MIGHT BE a precursor to it.

(2) THIS Battle, whatever it is, WILL BE a time when Jerusalem will be HEAVILY DAMAGED by the intruding armies! The word “desolation,” used in verse 20 in the King James Version, literally means, according to Strong's Greek Dictionary, “despoliation.” Despoliation is defined as “being “stripped” or “plundered.” Jerusalem will be stripped and plundered of its valuables in THAT Battle! (Verse 20)

(3) When that Battle takes place, many of the Jews in the West Bank will flee to the mountains (without speculation as to where that will be, let's just say that it will be close by), AND there will be MASS EXODUS OUT OF THE COUNTRY BY ALL MEANS OF TRAVEL, AND OTHER PEOPLE WILL BE DISCOURAGED FROM ENTERING THE COUNTRY DURING THAT TIME AS WELL! This all speaks of AIR Travel, BUS Travel, and CAR Travel that was NOT available during the time of Jesus!! (Verse 21)

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(4) The time of THAT Battle will be “the days of vengeance” from the people of the world, AND FROM GOD HIMSELF, AS ALL THINGS WHICH ARE WRITTEN (IN THE TORAH) WILL BE FULFILLED AT THAT SAME TIME!!! The word “vengeance,” according to Strong's, means “vindication” and “RETRIBUTION.” THE EVILS THAT HAVE BEEN DONE BY ISRAEL SINCE “TIME IMMEMORIAL” IN THAT LAND WILL BE PAID BACK UPON THE LAND ITSELF!!! (Verse 22)

(5) And, as for the people that remain in it, THEY WILL FALL BY THE EDGE OF THE SWORD (verse 24)...THAT IS, THEY WILL DIE BY WHATEVER MEANS... AND THEY WILL BE TAKEN AS HOSTAGES INTO EVERY NATION (verse 24, again) – EVEN AS IT IS AFORE-WRITTEN IN THE TORAH (read Deuteronomy)!!!

(6) WRATH will be upon THE PEOPLE THEMSELVES. This is the same word used in Revelation with regard to the Wrath of The Lamb and regarding The Wrath of God! There will be WRATH from the Nations' peoples against the Jews, and there will be the WRATH of Satan against them, and, THEREBY, THE WRATH OF GOD WILL THEN BE UNLEASHED ON THE JEWS OF THAT TIME! GOD'S PROTECTIVE HEDGE WILL HAVE BEEN LIFTED, ALLOWING THE DEVIL, AND HIS PEOPLE, TO EXECUTE THEIR FURY AGAINST THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL!!! (Verse 23)

(7) Jerusalem will be “trodden down” (Strong's defines that as “TRAMPLED” ON) by the Foreigners/Foreign Nations, UNTIL the times of the Foreigners/Foreign Nations ARE FULFILLED!

(Strong's defines the word "fulfilled" as, primarily, "SATISFIED" and "FINISHED." (This is found both in Verses 22 and 24)! This is THE END OF TIMES, NOT THE TIMES OF JESUS AT HIS FIRST COMING!!!

Let's see what follows all of that former part of Jesus' revelation previously covered to learn what shall be the experience of those same times:

Luke 21:25-26 KJVR

- (25) And there shall be **signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring;**
(26) **Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken.**

You will note that "perplexity" is literally the word meaning "a quandary," which is to say that the Nations will be anxious (distressed) WITH UNCERTAINTY AND DOUBT as to what will come of things, and that the Nations will all be in a great PREDICAMENT and will have GREAT DIFFICULTY in dealing with all that is occurring!

Let me state that it is highly likely that NUCLEAR WAR will have occurred in the land of Israel in Jerusalem, and that THIS is how the buildings will be dissolved and disintegrated. It is PROBABLY THIS that will cause the Nations to be in a great PREDICAMENT and having GREAT DIFFICULTY DEALING WITH ALL OF IT!!!

Now, let me reveal to you what The Lord has shown me as a timeline for these events:

Revelation 12:7-14 states this:

Revelation 12:7-14 KJV

- (7) And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,
(8) And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.
(9) And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: **he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.**
(10) And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, **Now** is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: **for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.**
(11) And **they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.**
(12) Therefore rejoice, *ye* heavens, and ye that dwell in them. **Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.**
(13) And **when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man child.** [THE WOMAN IS ISRAEL, AND THE MAN CHILD IS JESUS!]
(14) And to the woman [ISRAEL] were **given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent.**

Now, if you haven't yet caught the significance of this prophecy in Revelation (by the Apostle John) with regard and reference to the remarks of Jesus in Luke 21:25-26, let me make that clear:

- (1) The powers of the Heavens are NOT NUKES, and IT IS NOT NUKES THAT MAKE MEN'S HEART FAIL FOR FEAR, BUT IT IS FOR LOOKING AT THOSE DEMONIC POWERS AND PRINCIPALITIES, AND THEIR LEADER, THE DEVIL, AND ALL THE TERRIBLE THINGS THAT THEY DO AS A RESULT, THAT CAUSE MANKIND TO BE PETRIFIED!!!

- (2) THE TIMES OF THAT DAY WILL BE WHEN THE DEVIL KNOWS HE HAS ONLY A SHORT TIME LEFT (Revelation 12:12), WHICH TIME IS FORETOLD IN VERSE 14: “a time, times, and half a time” (away “from the face of the serpent”). The word “time” is a reference to a YEAR; thus, it is “a year, years (2 more), and half a year,” or 3-1/2 years total that Satan has left to pour out HIS WRATH (verse 12) ON ALL THE WORLD’S PEOPLES!!!
- (3) The two wings of a great eagle is a reference to military airlift by the U.S. to bring Israel’s people to safety in that day in the wilderness (which, I believe, refers to the Nation of Jordan, wherein is the ancient lands of Edom, Moab, and Ammon – the Edomites, Moabites, and Ammonites – all of which are spoken of in the Old Testament as pertinent to the Latter Days; this is all detailed in my 1st Book, “The Comings Of The Lord Jesus: Explaining Latter-Days Prophecies From the Holy Bible (AKJV).” MANY JEWS THAT REFUSE THE MARK OF THE ANTICHRIST WILL BE RESCUED AND BROUGHT TO SAFETY BY AMERICAN TROOPS IN MILITARY, AND PROBABLY CIVILIAN, AIRCRAFT!!!

When the devil is cast out of Heaven into the earth, he PERSECUTES ISRAEL! THIS IS THE BATTLE THAT IS SPOKEN OF IN LUKE 21!!!

Jesus states THIS in Luke 21:10-17:

Luke 21:10-17 KJVR

(10) Then said he unto them, **Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: [this is satan’s kingdom against God’s Kingdom too!]**

(11) **And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven.**

[I JUST COVERED THAT SUBJECT WITH REVELATION 12, IN PART, BUT THERE WILL ALSO BE OTHER SIGNS IN THE STARS – AND, I BELIEVE, A FALLING ASTEROID ALSO – SEE ALSO REVELATION 8:10-13 & REVELATION 9 (ALL), & REVELATION 10:6-7 & 11:13-19 ABOUT THAT TIME]

(12) **But before all these, they shall lay their hands on you, and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues, and into prisons, being brought before kings and rulers for my name’s sake.**

[Note that Jesus didn’t have international acclaim at that time, outside of the region of Israel and the surrounding Middle Eastern Nations; THIS IS ALSO INDICATIVE THAT JESUS IS SPEAKING OF THE TIME OF THE END!!!]

(13) **And it shall turn to you for a testimony.**

[This literally means that it will eventuate, or end up, as EVIDENCE against Satan and his angels, AND against the Jews & Foreigners that refuse to receive JESUS as their MESSIAH AND SAVIOUR AND LORD!!!]

(14) **Settle it therefore in your hearts, not to meditate before what ye shall answer:**

(15) **For I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which all your adversaries shall not be able to gainsay nor resist.**

(16) **And ye shall be betrayed both by parents, and brethren, and kinsfolk, and friends; and some of you shall they cause to be put to death.**

(17) **And ye shall be hated of all men for my name’s sake.**

[The FINALITY of the matter will be that ALL PEOPLES WILL HATE ISRAEL AND THE JEWS, AND EVEN THE PEOPLE THAT SERVE JESUS AT THAT TIME WILL BE BETRAYED BY THEIR OWN FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS!!!]

NOW, here is the REST of the Message – THE GOOD PART:

Luke 21:25-28 KJVR

(25) **And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring;**

- (26) Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken.
- (27) And **then** shall they **see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.**
- (28) And **when these things BEGIN to come to pass** [CAPS ARE MINE], then **look up** [ARISE], and **lift up your heads** [RAISE YOUR HEADS UPWARD]; **for your redemption draweth nigh** [YOUR SALVATION – ALL WHO LOOK FOR JESUS TO SAVE THEM – DRAWS NEAR AT THAT TIME!!!]

Again, this is NOT a Message to just ANYONE, but it is meant especially for the Jews of Israel at the last 3-1/2 years of Jacob's Trouble when all these things will transpire!

I have this Message to back up my statement that Jerusalem will once again be undone by Foreigners, even as it was in 70 A.D. by General Titus of the Roman Army:

Ecclesiastes 3:15 KJV

- (15) **That which hath been is now;** and **that which is to be hath already been;** and God requireth that which is past.

YES, JERUSALEM WILL BE IN THE CROSSHAIRS AGAIN – BUT IT WILL BE FOR THE LAST TIME FOR THE NEXT 1000 YEARS!!! (Revelation 20:2-3,7-9, AND THEN 20:10-15 FOR THE END OF THE END!)

I forgot to add one point:

Luke 21:27 KJVR

- (27) And **then** shall they **see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.**

This verse sounds like it just means that Jesus is coming back to the earth having POWER AND GREAT GLORY – AND HE WILL – BUT THERE'S A SECRET:

The word "GREAT" used here is NOT the Greek word "megas," meaning "big" – it is the Greek word "polus" (pronounced "pol-oos"), which means "MUCH," for JESUS HIMSELF, and "MANY," regarding ALL THE SAINTS RETURNING WITH HIM – HAVING THE GLORY OF GOD RADIATING FROM THEM!!!

For:

1John 3:2 KJV

- (2) Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, **when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.**

See also Jude's prophecies about this occurrence:

Jude 1:14-15 KJV

- (14) And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, **Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints,**
- (15) **To execute judgment upon all,** and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard *speeches* which ungodly sinners have spoken against him.

THIS IS THE BLESSING AND THE HERITAGE OF THE SONS OF GOD!!!

This Message was all written tonight, starting about 7pm, 1-15-2024, now 11:20 p.m.

Blessings2u!!
~Roger Funk, II

PS: I'm not proofing this tonight. I will do so another time, but I want to get this Online right now AS IS!!!



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